



'Let your light shine'

10th October 2025

Newsletter 3

Farewell to Our Wonderful Caretaker

After 20 years of dedicated service, we will be saying a fond farewell to our wonderful caretaker, Alan Gray, as he retires at the end of this half term. Alan has been an invaluable part of our school community - always ready with a smile, a helping hand and endless patience. From early mornings to late evenings, he has cared for our school with pride and commitment, keeping it safe and welcoming for everyone. He will be greatly missed by staff, pupils and parents alike, and we wish him a long, happy and well-deserved retirement. If you would like to contribute to a collection for Mr Gray, please send it in to school in a sealed envelope by the 17th of October. Many thanks for your ongoing support.

Job vacancy

We are looking for a caretaker to join our team. Please see North East jobs for more information or contact the school if you would like to come and find out more about the post. [JOB ADVERT](#)

Early Years Open Evenings

We are delighted to inform you that we will be holding two open evenings in school on Monday 13th and Thursday 16th October for any new prospective parents and families. This is an opportunity to come and visit our school, find out about Nursery or Reception places, tour our wonderful school facilities, including our forest school provision, meet the staff and ask any questions you may have.

Sharing Assembly

Our sharing assembly is on a Friday each week at 3pm. Parents and carers are invited to join us as we celebrate the children's achievements and share any notices or information about forthcoming events. We look forward to seeing you there!

World Mental Health Day - Mental Health and Wellbeing

If you are seeking support or advice for your mental health and wellbeing you can access Qwell. This is a free, online service and is completely anonymous. Qwell offers support such as: live based messaging with a qualified counsellor, self-directed help with articles or active message boards with advice. This is a great resource for a variety of concerns, such as, but not limited to stress, life changes and anxiety. You can access it 24 /7. Mrs Stephenson, our Senior Mental Health Lead would welcome a discussion with you if you want more information about this free service. www.qwell.io

Uniform

As the weather is turning cooler and more unpredictable, we would be grateful if you could ensure that your child brings a coat with them to school each day. We would also appreciate it if you could ensure that all of the items in your child's uniform are labelled with their name please. It avoids confusion and the children becoming upset because they cannot identify their clothing when they have mislaid it. It is important for the younger children to encourage independence skills and being able to manage themselves and their belongings. Thank you for your cooperation and support.

Pumpkin Disco

We are very much looking forward to our Pumpkin Disco in school on Thursday 23rd October. The party starts at 3.15pm until 5pm. Your child can wear fancy dress or disco clothes to the event. The cost is £5 per child to

include a hot dog, drink, cake, tattoos, facepainting and a goodie bag to take home! If your child would like to attend, please email Mrs Gray on admin@tritlington.northumberland.sch.uk by **20th October** so that we can cater accordingly. She will then add you to the School money app so that you can make your payment. If you would like your child to get a glitter tattoo or have their face painted at the event, please give your permission in your email when you confirm their attendance at the disco. Unfortunately, without permission, we will be unable to let your child have a tattoo or face paint.

Tritlington Friends - PTA

The Parent Teacher Association (Tritlington Friends) held their Annual General Meeting (AGM) on Thursday 2nd October at 2.30pm in school. We would like to thank last year's PTA and their families for their hard work and dedication raising funds for school. The funds raised will go towards new play equipment on our school field and we will keep you posted when we start work on this.

A new committee was elected during the meeting to act on behalf of the PTA for this academic year. Every Parent, Carer and Staff member is a member of the PTA and we would like to encourage you to get in touch with school if you would like to be involved in some way such as preparing or helping at an event.

Tritlington Explorers and After school clubs

Tritlington Explorers is the name given to our fantastic after school wraparound provision. It starts at 3.15pm and currently runs until 6pm. The children help to choose the activities for the half term and have lots of fun. If your child wishes to go to Forest School, for example, they can then go to Explorers until 6pm should you need child care until then.

If you would like your child to attend any of the after school clubs, please email the school office to book a place in advance for them as numbers are limited at some of our clubs.

admin@tritlington.northumberland.sch.uk

Autumn Term 1 After School Clubs	
Monday	Lego Club 3.15 - 4.15pm £4 Explorers available until 6pm
Tuesday	Art Club 3.15 - 4.15pm £4 Explorers available until 6pm
Wednesday	Forest School 'Seedlings After School Club' 3.15 - 4.45pm £7 After Forest School Explorers - Wheelie Wednesdays
Thursday	Outdoor Play Club 3.15 - 4.15pm £4 Explorers available until 6pm
Friday	PE Club with Liam 3.15 - 4.15pm £4 Explorers available until 6pm

Please check the **Dates For Your Diary** carefully. Dates may be subject to change due to unforeseen circumstances and if an opportunity presents itself, we may add extra dates to the calendar. These are also available on the school website.

Dates for your Diary	
Monday 13th October	Early Years Open Evening in school 4pm - 6pm
Wednesday 15th October	Class 2 only - Evacuee Day in school
Thursday 16th October	Early Years Open Evening in school 4pm - 6pm
Friday 17th October	Tritlington Friends meeting in school 3.15 start - <u>all</u> parents are invited to this

Thursday 23rd October	Pumpkin Disco in school 3.15pm - 5pm
Friday 24th October 2025	BREAK UP FOR HALF TERM
Monday 3rd November 2025	START BACK AT SCHOOL
Friday 14th November 2025	Children in Need non-uniform day
Wednesday 19th November 2025	Parental Consultations - Virtual/phone calls
Thursday 20th November 2025	Parental Consultations - Face to face
Monday 24th November 2025	School photographer in school
Wednesday 3rd December 2025	Christmas lunch in school for pupils
Tuesday 9th December 2025	Nativity - Parent afternoon performance 2pm please note change of date
Wednesday 10th December 2025	Experience Christmas event in school for children
Thursday 11th December 2025	Nativity - Parent evening performance 6pm
Wednesday 17th December 2025	Christingle / Christmas Service at Hebron Church 9am Parents and Carers invited
Wednesday 17th December 2025	Christmas Party for children in school pm
Thursday 18th December	Whole school visit to Newcastle Theatre Royal Pantomime - Aladdin
Friday 19th December 2025	BREAK UP FOR CHRISTMAS
Tuesday 6th January 2026	START BACK AT SCHOOL

Many thanks for your continued support of Tritlington School.

Mrs O'Dell and Mrs Stephenson
Joint Headteachers