

## Sharing our School Focus with Home

January 25th 2016.



### *Break-Time Code*



As parents, you will be aware of the importance of exercise for your children. Two breaks are taken during the school day. For comfort and safety, the yard is divided into separate playing areas for class groups. Children do not go out on wet days, but please ensure your child is dressed for cold weather.

10.30-10-40	Supervised play in the school yard. Pupils eat their snack either immediately before or after this break.
12.30-1.00	Supervised play in the school yard for the first 15mins. Pupils then eat their lunches back in their classrooms. On-duty Teachers supervise, with Buddies assisting in the Infant classrooms.

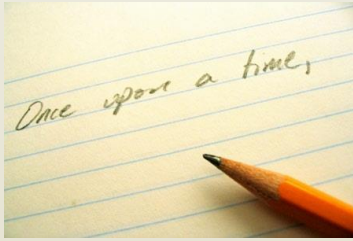
So that all children will be safe and happy in our school yard, please encourage your child to remember the following:

- **We are gentle. We don't hurt others. We play gentle games.**
- **We are kind and helpful; we don't hurt anybody's feelings**
- **We play together; we look out for others who haven't joined in.**
- **We tell an adult if we are sad, lonely or if we are hurt.**
- **We line up quickly and quietly.**
- **We treat others as we want to be treated ourselves.**
- **We have fun.**

#### **WET MORNINGS**

Please ensure your child is dressed for the weather, especially if they are arriving at the school before 8.50. A shelter is provided at the back of the school building.

**NOTE:** In an effort to develop pupil independence, we ask parents not to accompany their child to the classroom, but to say 'Goodbye' at the school entrance.



We continue to develop our writing skills as we learn to write in different genres; for January and February, our focus is Narrative Writing. We have been working on Storytelling skills and very soon we will be writing our own stories. We look forward to sharing them with you.



## BOOK IN THE BAG



Reading is very important in Holy Trinity.

This week, we have launched our 'BOOK IN THE BAG' campaign to encourage the children to always have a book to read for enjoyment. The book may be borrowed from the school library or be a book from home. Establishing the habit of sustained silent reading (SSR) helps to develop concentration, in addition to reading skills.

### Book in the Bag

..... A Book from the Library

..... A Book from Home

.... A book with a Story

..... A Book with a Poem

Have it in your bag, every day;

Read it when you can- the Clever Reader way!

Can your child remember the Book in the Bag RAP they learned at Assembly?

Encourage your child to spend a little SSR time at home too and make sure they have a Book in the Bag.