



# Trinity Skills for Life



## Special events:

Elf Week 7-11<sup>th</sup> December

Zoom Christmas Party 18<sup>th</sup>  
December

## Dates for Your Diary:

Project Breaks up for  
Christmas : 18/12/20

Project Returns: 04/01/21

## February Half Term:

Project Breaks Up :12/02/21

Project Returns: 22/02/21

**Christmas 2020**

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## Happy Christmas from everyone at Trinity

When Wendy asked me if I would like to add anything to our Christmas newsletter, the first thing that came to my mind was "Well done"!

Well done to all our wonderful clients, families, carers and staff! You have all done amazingly well over this last 10 months! It's been one of the hardest of years for us all, but what has shone through is how amazing you have all been in adapting.

The saying that "We are all in the same storm, yet a different boat" is so true here! I appreciate that every single one of you, have had to overcome different challenges and difficulties throughout this time.

You have all worked so hard together to support each other, so that we have been able to continue to run our service throughout this time.

We have developed our service to adapt to this year, and we are so very proud of every single one of you! So from the bottom of my heart, well done and keep going! Sending you all health and happiness for 2021!

Much love Jenny, Mike, Alison, Liz and Karen.

## Goodbye to 2020!!

What a year 2020 has been, we have had lots of ups and downs but we have adjusted in a way none of us would have thought possible this time last year.

The Project has been changing constantly and students have adapted in such an amazing way and probably a lot better than the staff!!

We said a sorry Goodbye to Sophie at the end of the Summer Term but then fortunately we said Hello again back in November when Sophie returned to join us.

We've missed out on our usual end of term Celebration Evening and our Christmas performance, but we hope you've enjoyed the Trinity's Got Talent performances and we will still be holding our Christmas party on Zoom.

We still managed to fulfil our commitment to the annual Advent Window for the Childrens Society, this year it is Jesus, The Servant King. So, if you are in Stone then please take a look along all the windows that have entered this year under such difficult circumstances.

We have a bumper filled newsletter with lots of activities and games to keep you occupied over Christmas.



## *What have we been up to?*

### *The garden at 2B*

Our wildlife garden has been doing well over the last few months. Some of the students have done a bug hunt and we have found lots of insects under the logs and stones – centipedes, woodlice, red ants to name a few. We continue to put seeds and nuts out for the visiting birds and squirrels especially now it's getting colder.

We have a huge leaf pile for any hedgehogs and have planted some bulbs -snow drops and British bluebells so look out for those, they should appear in the spring – isn't that a nice thought.

And in a very recent development we have made a mini pitch and putt course for you all to use – just 6 holes but on a slight bank so lots of skill needed, this should be fun, especially in the drier weather.

Hope you are looking out for nature when you are outside and don't forget to put out food for the birds over the winter.



Why do golfers always carry a spare pair of trousers with them? In case they get a hole in one.



### *Harvest festival*

We had our own harvest festival at the project this year. The students made vegetables from clay and Autumn wreaths and we held our own service listening to a hymn, prayers and poems and also watching a video of 'I've got a brand new combine harvester' by the Wurzells, some of us remember when such quality songs were in the charts?!

We ended our service with the UK blessing signed by families using Makaton- You can watch it on you tube <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=610HuftkfjU>. It was a lovely way to think about Harvest time this year.

Jackie S

## Hello Everyone

I Just wanted to let you all know what we have been up to since coming back in September. We started off with the students making their own folders for their work, designing them how they wanted. All the things we were going to be doing up until Christmas will go into these folders. We then made our first project which was the Rainbow for all the key workers which now hangs proudly in the dining room. When you come back to the project have a look for George the Snake in the Garden outside. He is made from big stones which we painted, and he lies amongst the plants. At the moment he is hiding under a pile of leaves, so we think he has gone into hibernation. We made our Scarecrow for the Harvest, and he sits on the bench looking after the garden. Also, for our Harvest we made some salt dough fruit and vegetables which we painted and put on our display table. We also went on a few walks to find things to put on it such as leaves, acorns, weather cones, and conkers and at the end of October we had our own Harvest Festival.

Now moving onto Halloween, we did Pumpkin Carving, we went to a farm and actually picked our own Pumpkins which was really enjoyable, in fact we had to pick eleven, so the wheelbarrow was quite heavy. We also made a Frankenstein pot for Halloween with some flowerpots we still had, then filled them with sweets.

It was decided that we would do a small service for Remembrance Day, so we made Poppies and Crosses to put outside for when we had our Service.

On Wednesday 11<sup>th</sup> November we went outside and held our two-minute silence and we even played the Last Post on our phones, we placed our poppies and crosses on the garden and the fence.

On the countdown to Christmas, we have made Christmas Tree cones, Christmas Wreaths, Personalized Christmas Cards, and items for our Christmas display. Phew!!! Have a good Christmas to you all and see you in 2021. Gill



What do you call a person who is afraid of Santa Claus?

Claustrophobic!