

### Growing together as children of God



At Holy Trinity C of E Primary School:

- ✓we want our pupils to **grow** in confidence, independence, resilience and knowledge, so that all achieve their full potential and develop a life-long love of learning and of the world around us.
- ✓we work **together** with families, community and church to model positive relationships, supporting each other and acknowledging that we are stronger when we work together.
- ✓we are growing together as **children of God**, strengthening our faith, secure in the knowledge we are unique, loved and cherished.

Dear Parents and Carers

This week has been our Anti-Bullying Week, which was led so ably by our Anti-bullying Ambassadors. They led our assembly on Monday to launch our week – the theme of which is *Reach Out*. We learnt that bullying is any repeated behaviour (several times on purpose) that is intended to hurt someone either physically or emotionally. It can happen face to face or online. Children were encouraged to *reach out* to an adult or an Anti-bullying Ambassador if anyone is bullying them.



Some of our Anti-Bullying Week photographs.



It was wonderful to see the hall packed last night for our Maths Mastery Parent/Carer Workshop. Thank you to those of you who were able to make it, and a huge thank you to Mrs Witting, our Maths Leader, for organising such an excellent event. If you didn't manage to attend, do take a look at the maths page on our school website for further information.

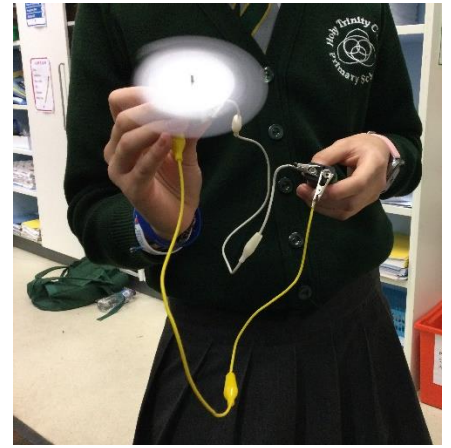
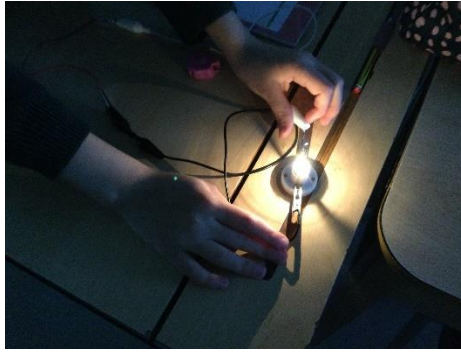
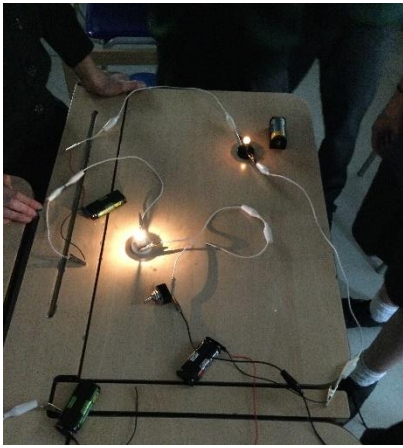
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Reception are learning about 'people who help us'. This week they had visits from a Policewoman and a bus driver.



Year 5 had a fantastic time this week at the Wimbledon Theatre learning about the origins of jazz and joining in with the Blues & Roots Ensemble by playing percussion and singing.



Year 6 have been extending their circuit-making skills in science.



Some of our Year 6 children being creative with our new Imagination Playground equipment!



Mrs Thompson's gardening club is proving to be very popular with our green-fingered Year 4 children.



The children in Nursery learnt about what animals do in the season Autumn and explored what happens in the Winter. The children also discussed how and why we need to look after our teeth.



### Young Writer's Competition

Write your own mini saga, a story told in just 100 words, with a twist. You could write an original story with a twist or retell a classic tale with a new spin. All the details are available on class pages on the Learning Platform.

All entries to be completed using the competition entry form and handed in to Miss Dorey by Friday 9<sup>th</sup> December.

### **School Office Closed to Visitors – Tuesday 22<sup>nd</sup> November**

Due to maintenance work which will be happening in the foyer immediately outside the school office, the office will be closed to visitors on Tuesday. This means that you will not be able to drop off forgotten lunches, bags or water bottles. If you have an urgent reason to visit the school, please telephone the team on 020 8542 1591 and Jackie or Alex will arrange to meet you in the school car park.

### **Reminder – Flu Immunisations Tuesday 22<sup>nd</sup> November**

Those children whose families submitted online consent forms will be having their flu immunisations (nasal spray) in school on Tuesday morning. If your child is not in school at their appointed time, they will be invited to a catch up session later this term via ParentMail.

If your child becomes wheezy, has a bad attack of asthma, or has started oral steroids for their asthma since you completed your consent form, please contact the healthcare team on 0203 903 3373.

If you have any other queries, please contact the Immunisation Team on 0203 903 3373 or [hrch.immunisationteam@nhs.net](mailto:hrch.immunisationteam@nhs.net). We have no information about specific families' consent forms in school.

### **Catch Up Photo Session – Friday 25<sup>th</sup> November**

A photographer from Kittle will be in school during the afternoon on Friday 25<sup>th</sup> November to take any pictures of individual children or sibling groups which were missed yesterday.

### **Book Fair – 28<sup>th</sup> November to 2<sup>nd</sup> December**

Are you in need of ideas for Christmas presents? The travelling Book Fair will be in school from 28<sup>th</sup> November until 2<sup>nd</sup> December. It will be open before and after school and during the Share My Learning sessions that week.

### **Share My Learning**

*Share My Learning* sessions are an opportunity for children to show their parents/carers their work and their classroom.

*Share My Learning* sessions will be held on the following days:

- Tuesday 29<sup>th</sup> November 2022, 8.15-8.45am for EYFS and KSI (Reception, Year 1 and Year 2)
- Wednesday 30<sup>th</sup> November 2022, 8.15-8.45am for KS2 (Years 3-6)

If you arrive between 8.15 and 8.30am, please enter via the main front door on Effra Road. After this time, enter via the Faraday Gate from the playground. We will ask parents to vacate the building at 8.45am so that we can start the school day promptly.

During *Share My Learning*, there will be an opportunity for you to visit the travelling Book Fair.

I understand that for some key workers these times may not be convenient. Please email [headteacher@holytrinity.merton.sch.uk](mailto:headteacher@holytrinity.merton.sch.uk) if this is the case.

### **Caterlink Parent/Carer Survey - School Lunches**

As part of our ongoing commitment to improving our lunch service and offer within your school, we would like to invite parents to provide feedback on our lunches. The survey should only take approximately 5 minutes to complete. The survey can be accessed by using this link; <https://www.surveymonkey.co.uk/r/CS56LLT>

### **Mental Health and Wellbeing Booklet**

As Chair of the Merton Mental Health Cluster, I meet regularly with other Cluster Leads from across South West London. The Wandsworth Lead has produced this fantastic booklet, which has many helpful resources for parents with regards to Mental Health and Wellbeing. Do take a look via the link below.

[https://parents.southfieldsacademy.com/\\_site/data/files/documents/BE346350663CC93B3A539FBF074B76E1.pdf](https://parents.southfieldsacademy.com/_site/data/files/documents/BE346350663CC93B3A539FBF074B76E1.pdf)

## **HOTS Notices**

### **Christmas Trees**

Our beautiful Christmas Trees are available to purchase until the end of the month. They are available for anyone in the community to buy and are excellent quality. **The deadline for orders is Friday 25<sup>th</sup> November.** The trees will be delivered to the school car park on **Saturday 3<sup>rd</sup> December.**

[www.pta-events.co.uk/hots/](http://www.pta-events.co.uk/hots/)

### **Christmas Carols**

You can now buy tickets for the school Christmas Carols on Saturday 10<sup>th</sup> December from the HOTS website. Tickets are just £2.50 each (and free entry for under 4's.) There will be mince pies, mulled wine, and lots of festive fun! We can't wait to see you there!

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### **Panettone**

You can now order delicious Panettone from luxury delicatessen Vallebona via the HOTS website. It is the most delicious Christmas treat and a beautiful gift for your loved ones. Available in two flavours and delivered in a beautiful gift box. They are incredibly popular so place your orders fast while stocks last!

[www.pta-events.co.uk/hots/](http://www.pta-events.co.uk/hots/)

### **HOTS Teddy Bear**

The new Holy Trinity pocket-sized teddy bear, Hope, is now available to buy via the HOTS website. This fluffy friend is a lovely gift for your little one (or yourself) and all proceeds will buy vital resources for the school.

[www.pta-events.co.uk/hots/](http://www.pta-events.co.uk/hots/)

**Thank you for your support,  
The HOTS committee**

### **Holy Trinity Church Warm Space**

Every Friday, starting 18<sup>th</sup> November, Holy Trinity (next to the Polka Theatre), 234 The Broadway, South Wimbledon, is offering a cosy warm space from 10-4 to fight the winter cold.

Apart from a pleasant, welcoming environment, we offer:

- Tea and coffee
- A light lunch
- Magazines
- Jigsaws
- Great company
- Wi-fi

There is no charge, just drop-in.

If you require further information please contact Richard Blades on 07887 481462 or John Eades on 07802 176258.

### **Holy Trinity Church Christmas Fair.**

This will be taking place at the church at 234 The Broadway, SW19 1SB on Saturday 3<sup>rd</sup> December 11am – 4pm.

There will be loads of activities for all the family with the opportunity to do some of your Christmas Shopping and to visit Santa in his Grotto. We will be running a pop-up café selling food and drink as well as a cake stall to satisfy your taste for sweet things.

If you would like to donate anything to sell, we would be happy to receive books (fiction and children's only please), all toys, bric-a-brac, bottles of wine (full) and empty screw top bottles of wine, still with the top and old bottle gift bags, plus any unwanted gifts from previous years! All donations can be left at the church in the reception. Please check to make sure that it is open before coming.

If you have some spare time on the day and would be happy to help on one of the stalls, even better! Please let Richard know on [churchwardens@ht-sw.org.uk](mailto:churchwardens@ht-sw.org.uk).

See you on the day!

### **Attached items:**

- Christmas in the Village
- Petit Kids Christmas Club

### **Term Dates 2022-2023**

#### **Autumn Term 2022**

- First day: Thursday 1 September 2022  
(INSETs Thursday 1<sup>st</sup> and Friday 2<sup>nd</sup> so children back Monday 5<sup>th</sup> September)
- Last day: Friday 16 December 2022
- Half term: Monday 24 October to Friday 28 October 2022

#### **Spring Term 2023**

- First day: Tuesday 3 January 2023  
(INSET Tuesday 3<sup>rd</sup> so children back Wednesday 4<sup>th</sup> January)
- Last day: Friday 31<sup>st</sup> March 2023
- Half term: Monday 13<sup>th</sup> February to Friday 17<sup>th</sup> February 2023

#### **Summer Term 2023**

- First day: Monday 17<sup>th</sup> April 2023
- Last day: Friday 21<sup>st</sup> July 2023
- Half term: Monday 29<sup>th</sup> May to Friday 2<sup>nd</sup> June 2023  
(INSETs Monday 5<sup>th</sup> June and Friday 21<sup>st</sup> July, so children end Thursday 20<sup>th</sup> July 2023)

## Term Dates 2023-2024

### Autumn Term 2023

- First day: Monday 4 September 2023  
(INSETs Monday 4<sup>th</sup> and Tuesday 5<sup>th</sup> September so children back Wednesday 6<sup>th</sup> September)
- Last day: Thursday 21<sup>st</sup> December
- Half term: Monday 23 October to Friday 27 October 2023

### Spring Term 2024

- First day: Monday 8<sup>th</sup> January 2024  
(INSET Monday 8<sup>th</sup> January so children back Tuesday 9<sup>th</sup> January)
- Last day: Thursday 28<sup>th</sup> March 2024
- Half term: Monday 12<sup>th</sup> February to Friday 16<sup>th</sup> February 2024

### Summer Term 2024

- First day: Monday 15<sup>th</sup> April 2024
- Last day: Wednesday 24<sup>th</sup> July 2024
- Half term: Monday 27<sup>th</sup> May to Friday 31<sup>st</sup> May 2024  
(INSETs Monday 3<sup>rd</sup> June and Wednesday 24<sup>th</sup> July, so children return after half term on Tuesday 4<sup>th</sup> June 2024 and term ends Tuesday 23<sup>rd</sup> July 2024)

| Date   | Time                      | Event  |
|--|---------------------------|--|
| 28 <sup>th</sup> November – 2 <sup>nd</sup> December |                           | Assessment week  |
| 29 <sup>th</sup> November                            | 8.15-8.45                 | EYFS/KSI Share my Learning   |
| 30 <sup>th</sup> November                            | 8.15-8.45                 | KS2 Share my Learning  |
| 2 <sup>nd</sup> December                             | 9.45-10.45<br>14.00-14.30 | Reception Open Morning for entry in 2023<br>Nursery Open Morning for entry in 2023                                     |
| 6 <sup>th</sup> December                             | 9.15                      | Reception Nativity   |
| 7 <sup>th</sup> December                             | 9.15                      | Reception Nativity   |
| 8 <sup>th</sup> December                             | 9.15                      | Year 2 Christmas show  |
| 9 <sup>th</sup> December                             | 10.30/2.30                | Nursery Nativity   |
| 9 <sup>th</sup> December                             |                           | Christmas Jumper Day – children are invited to wear a Christmas jumper to school                                       |
| 13 <sup>th</sup> December                            | 9.15                      | Year 1 Concert   |
| 14 <sup>th</sup> December                            | 18.30                     | Year 3/5 Carol Service @ Holy Trinity Church   |
| 15 <sup>th</sup> December                            | 18.30                     | Year 4/6 Carol Service @ Holy Trinity Church   |
| 16 <sup>th</sup> December                            | 14.00                     | Break up   |
| 3 <sup>rd</sup> January 2023                         |                           | <b>INSET Day – School closed</b>   |
| 4 <sup>th</sup> January 2023                         |                           | Term begins for all children   |
| 7 <sup>th</sup> February                             | 8.15-8.45                 | EYFS/KSI Share my Learning – an opportunity for children to share their learning, and books, with their parents/carers |
| 8 <sup>th</sup> February                             | 8.15-8.45                 | KS2 Share my Learning – an opportunity for children to share their learning, and books, with their parents/carers      |
| 10 <sup>th</sup> February                            |                           | Break up for half term   |
| 20 <sup>th</sup> February                            |                           | 2 <sup>nd</sup> half of term begins  |
| 21 <sup>st</sup> March                               | 8.15-8.45                 | EYFS/KSI Share my Learning   |
| 22 <sup>nd</sup> March                               | 8.15-8.45                 | KS2 Share my Learning  |
| 27 <sup>th</sup> – 31 <sup>st</sup> March            |                           | Parent/Teacher Meetings  |
| 31 <sup>st</sup> March                               | 14.00                     | Break up for Easter holidays   |
| 17 <sup>th</sup> April                               |                           | Summer term begins   |
| May  |                           | Year 2 SATS  |
| 8 <sup>th</sup> May                                  |                           | Extra Bank Holiday   |
| 8 <sup>th</sup> – 11 <sup>th</sup> May               |                           | Year 6 SATS Dates TBC due to the extra Bank Holiday  |
| 23 <sup>rd</sup> May                                 | 8.15-8.45                 | EYFS/KSI Share my Learning – an opportunity for children to share their learning, and books, with their parents/carers |
| 24 <sup>th</sup> May                                 | 8.15-8.45                 | KS2 Share my Learning – an opportunity for children to share their learning, and books, with their parents/carers      |
| 26 <sup>th</sup> May                                 |                           | Break up for half term   |
| 5 <sup>th</sup> June                                 |                           | <b>INSET Day – School closed</b>   |
| 6 <sup>th</sup> June                                 |                           | 2 <sup>nd</sup> half of term begins  |
| 5 <sup>th</sup> June - 16 <sup>th</sup> June         |                           | Year 4 Timetables Check Window   |
| 12 <sup>th</sup> June – 16 <sup>th</sup> June        |                           | Year 1 Phonics Screening Check Window  |
| 12 <sup>th</sup> July                                | 8.00-8.45                 | Extended Share My Learning TBC   |
| 20 <sup>th</sup> July                                | 9.15<br>14.00             | Leaver's Service @ Holy Trinity Church<br>Term ends  |
| 21 <sup>st</sup> July                                |                           | <b>INSET Day – School closed</b>   |

I hope you have a lovely weekend.

Izzy Rickards