

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

It seems impossible to believe we are mid-November already, where is this term going?!

The Trim Trail Returns Better Than Ever!



As your children may have told you, there was great excitement in the school playground on Wednesday morning as we held the grand opening of our new trim trail! Our Junior Leadership team helped us select the design and everyone seems delighted with the result!

A large proportion of the cost of this new equipment was covered by our parents' association HOTS to celebrate the school's 125 year anniversary this



year. We are so grateful to Kate Aasa and team for organising so many excellent initiatives and to you all for supporting events like our quiz night and summer fair and for buying pre-loved uniform and Holy Trinity teddy bears over the last year. As you can see, the money you raise really does make a difference to the enriching experiences we can provide for the children in school.

On a practical note, please remember that the trim trail can only be used in school time and when the children are supervised by school staff, so please don't allow your children or their younger siblings to use it at drop off or pick up time.



You may also have noticed that our new play boat and fencing in the Reception area are currently under construction and we look forward to celebrating the grand opening of this new play space in the next couple of weeks.



Also, this week:

Year 3H have been working hard on designing and making their pneumatic toys. Look at some of their creations!



Our Anti-Bullying Ambassadors have been incredible leaders this week during Anti-Bullying Week. They will continue their role of Playground Buddies for the rest of the year.



Our Reception children have loved their Police themed week! Dressing up and pretending to be police officers and a visit from a parent police officer!





Nursery have been thinking about being a kind friend as part of Anti-Bullying Week. They loved wearing their odd socks, designing odd socks and even matching pairs of socks!



Christmas Carols Update

Key Stage 2 pupils have been busy learning songs this week in preparation for the carol services at Holy Trinity Church. The Carol services will take place on:

- Monday 18th December 6:30pm- Year 3 & 5 (*and members of orchestra and choir*)
- Tuesday 19th December 6:30pm- Year 4 & 6 (*and members of orchestra and choir*)

Please make a note of when your child is due to perform. Please also note pupils who attend the school choir (which meets on Friday lunchtimes) and members of the Holy Trinity orchestra will be performing on both nights.

Each week Miss Neil-Smith will be focusing on one of the congregational carols that will be sung at the carol service. Feel free to join in at home and sing the carol of the week with your children! Sing along versions can easily be found on Spotify and Youtube.

- Wk beginning Mon 20th November- Once in Royal David's City
- Wk beginning Mon 27th November- O Come All Ye Faithful
- Wk beginning Mon 4th December- Silent Night

Further resources such as lyrics sheets and rehearsal tracks will be put up on the learning platform before the end of November so your child can sing along at home in preparation for the event. Please note the resources are for rehearsal purposes only- please to do not make copies or distribute the practice tracks.

HOTS NOTICES

Christmas Trees 🎄

A final reminder to order your Christmas trees before the end of this weekend if you plan to. These will be available to collect from school on the morning of Sat 2nd December. Please share the link with your neighbours!

Panettone from Vallebona 🎁

The last 4 panettone are available to order online. Order now while stocks last!

To purchase visit: <https://www.pta-events.co.uk/hots/index.cfm?event=products>

Easyfundraising:

Easyfundraising makes money for charity when you shop online in hundreds of different stores e.g. Amazon, John Lewis, Tesco and eBay. Download the app or add the reminder to your browser when online shopping this Black Friday/Christmas and link your account to the 'Friends of Holy Trinity C of E School Wimbledon'. Every online purchase will raise money for our school!

If you have any questions please email hotsemail@gmail.com

Thanks as ever for your support,

The HOTS Committee

Holy Trinity Church Christmas Fair

Saturday 2 December 11am – 4pm.

Holy Trinity Church, Wimbledon Broadway.

Please bring any donations that you have for the fair to HT Church - items required:

- books (adult fiction, children books)
- toys
- new gifts
- bottles of wine (full)
- bottles of wine (empty) - screw top please!
- wine bottle gift bags



We are also **calling out for volunteers** to run our stalls - food, Santa's Grotto, books & toy sale, face painting, wine tombola and much more!

Friday 1 Dec for set-up and Saturday 2 December between 9.00 and 16.00.

Lastly, a big fundraiser for HT Church are Hawes Estate Agent boards - we love to get 100 boards around the SPG and South Wimbledon area!

Those who can accommodate a board outside their house, we are grateful for your contribution and support.

Please email **Richard** churchwardens@ht-sw.org.uk

Term Dates 2023-2024

Autumn Term 2023

Spring Term 2024

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

Summer Term 2024

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

Key Dates for the Term

Any new dates added will be highlighted.

Date	Time	Event
27 th November – 1 st December		Assessment week
1 st December	8.15-8.45	Share my Learning – an opportunity for children to share their learning, and books, with their parents/carers
7 th December	8.45-9.30	Parent/Carer Prayer Group
12 th December	9.15	Reception Nativity
13 th December	9.15	Reception Nativity
14 th December	9.15	Year 2 Christmas show TBC
15 th December	10.30/2.30	Nursery Nativity
18 th December	9.15	Year 1 Concert
18 th December	18.30	Year 3/5 Carol Service @ Holy Trinity Church
19 th December	18.30	Year 4/6 Carol Service @ Holy Trinity Church
21 st December	14.00	Break up
8 th January 2024		INSET Day – School closed
9 th January 2023		Term begins for all children
11 th January	9.45	Nursery Open Morning for entry in 2024
9 th February		Break up for half term
19 th February		2 nd half of term begins
11 th – 22 nd March		Assessment weeks
18 th – 22 nd March		Year 6 in France
20 th March	8.15-8.45	Share my Learning – an opportunity for children to share their learning, and books, with their parents/carers
25 th -27 th March		Parent/Teacher Meetings
28 th March	14.00	Break up for Easter holidays
15 th April		Summer term begins
19 th April	8.15-8.45	Year 6 Share my Learning – an opportunity for children to share their learning, and books, with their parents/carers
8 th – 10 th May		Year 4 PGL
13 th – 16 th May		Year 6 SATS
24 th May	8.15-8.45	Share my Learning – an opportunity for children to share their learning, and books, with their parents/carers
24 th May		Break up for half term
3 rd June		INSET Day – School closed
4 th June		2 nd half of term begins
4 th – 7 th June		Year 4 Multiplication Check Week
10 th – 14 th June		Assessment Week
10 th – 14 th June		Year 1 Phonics Screening Check Window
29 th June		Summer Fair
19 th July	8.00-8.45	Extended Share My Learning
23 rd July	9.15 14.00	Leaver's Service @ Holy Trinity Church Term ends
24 th July		INSET Day – School closed

Wishing you a happy and safe weekend.

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