

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 incredibly creative! We are grateful to Miss McHenry for organising such an inspiring week of art. Children have tried drawing with their non-dominant hand, painting with their feet, and drawing whilst blind-folded! You can see some of their creations in the photographs.

Nursery had a wonderful visit from Safari Pete. It's not everyday you have a crocodile in school!

It was lovely to welcome our new Reception parents to a meeting this week – we look forward to their children starting in September.

It would be great to see as many of you as possible at our Sports Days next week, and also at the Summer Fair tomorrow.

Open Door Policy

Just a reminder that I operate an Open Door Policy. If you would like to discuss anything with me, do drop me an email headteacher@holytrinity.merton.sch.uk or catch me on the gate.



Year 6 foot painting!



Amazing mouth painting!

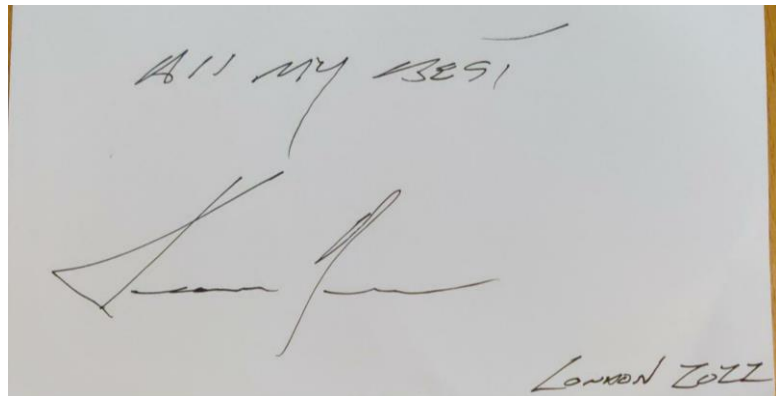


Reception enjoyed getting their feet messy!





Nursery this week have been learning about wild animals, the children were visited by Safari Pete and his fantastic animals. The children especially enjoyed holding Jay-z, The Crocodile.



One of our Year 6 pupils had an exciting time this week when he met Keanu Reeves.

Platinum Jubilee Art Winner

Thank you to all of the children who entered the Platinum Jubilee Art Competition. We were thrilled with the response and many of our children were awarded certificates for making it through the first round of the competition. Ryan, from Year 6, was one of 12 winners from the whole competition. His art work will be displayed in Buckingham Palace, and Ryan will be invited to go and see the exhibition. Wow! What an experience!

Well done to everyone who entered.



The winning entry which will be displayed at Buckingham Palace.

Sports Week

We are looking forward to our Sports Week next week. Parents are most welcome to come and watch their child/children's year group. There will be a designated space for you to watch from. All events will take place in the school playground.

Please ensure that your child wears their PE uniform to school on their Sports Day, even if it is not their usual PE day.

Please note that we have a number of children who are not allowed photographs being taken of them, and in order to protect our whole school community, we ask that no photographs or videos are taken during the events. The school staff will be taking pictures. Thank you for your understanding.

For all of the events, we are going to open the gate from our car park (on Effra Road) to the playground. Please come to the front of the school and you will be directed round to the car park.

Year Group	Date	Time
Nursery AM & full-timers	Friday 8 th July	9.00-10.00
Nursery PM & full-timers	Wednesday 6 th July	2.00-3.00
Reception	Thursday 7 th July	9.00-10.30
Year 1	Wednesday 6 th July	9.00-10.30
Year 2	Tuesday 5 th July	9.00-10.30
Year 3	Monday 4 th July	9.00-10.45
Year 4	Thursday 7 th July	1.30-3.00
Year 5	Tuesday 5 th July	1.30-3.00
Year 6	Monday 4 th July	1.30-3.00

HOTS Notices

The Summer Fair is TOMORROW in the playground from 12-4pm, entry is by the Effra road gate - we really hope to see you there! Please feel free to bring family, friends and neighbours.

We will be accepting cash and card payments and also selling tokens on the front gate to the value of £1. You will be able to pay with tokens on most stalls. Paying with tokens should speed up any queuing on these stalls so we can spend more time having fun, and less time standing in a line! (That's the theory anyway!)

A final call for **MATCHED FUNDING** - please ask your employer if they offer matched funding, it means they will match the amount of money your stall raises on the day (even if you aren't working on it or can't be there on the day) This could **DOUBLE** what we raise for the school tomorrow. Please remember, we are a registered charity and every penny we raise goes to the school.

Thank you for all of your support up to now.

Let's hope for sunshine and a brilliant day out!

The HOTS Committee

Choir Performance at the Summer Fair

The 2 school choirs and Trinity Singers have all been rehearsing very hard for our performances at the Summer Fair on 2nd July. We will be performing at 1pm. The 2 school choirs will perform their own items before the massed choirs join to perform 2 songs together for the first time in over 2 years which is really exciting! All the children in the choir have been given lyric sheets -please encourage them to practise at home and learn the songs off by heart for the big performance.

Wonderful Cake Sale

Caitlin, from Year 4, baked cakes last weekend and sold them outside her house. She has donated the money she raised to HOTS. Well done Caitlin!

Giraffes for Lunchbowl Network

Our Growing together in Spirit Team prepared worship this week during which they shared with the children about the work of the Lunchbowl Network, who run the Angel and Good Samaritan Schools in the Kibera slums. You can find out more about the work of this charity on their website <https://www.lunchbowl.org/>

From Monday, you will be able to purchase via Parentmail a Generous Giraffe for £2. The money you will be giving, will go directly to making the children at Angel and Good Samaritan schools happy.

Once orders are received via Parentmail, the Growing Together in Spirit Team will deliver the giraffes to the children, who will be able to choose the colour they would like.



Lost Property Photo Gallery

The photos below show all of the unnamed lost property we had in our box on Wednesday. If you recognise anything, please ask your child to retrieve it on Monday (or please email the office team on info@holytrinity.merton.sch.uk). Everything left at the end of term will be recycled or thrown away, with all unnamed branded uniform being passed to HOTS for re-sale.



Do You Have Copies of the Following Books?

Over the past few years, many of our families have kindly bought copies of the English texts we have used in class, to support their children's learning. If you have any copies of the books listed below that you no longer need, we would love to receive your donations:

- **How to Find Gold** by Viviane Schwarz (used in Year 2)
- **Romans on a Rampage** by Jeremy Strong (used in Year 3)
- **Oliver Twist – Charles Dickens Retold** by Gill Tanver (used in Year 3)
- **Bed and Breakfast Star** by Jacqueline Wilson (used in Year 4)
- **The Akimbo Adventures** by Alexander McColl Smith (used in Year 4)
- **Holes** by Louis Sachar (used in Year 6)
- **Wonder** by R.J.Palacio (used in Year 6)
- **The London Eye Mystery** by Siobhan Dowd (used in Year 6)
- **Journey to the River Sea** by Eva Ibbotson (now used in Year 6)
- **Goodnight Mr Tom** by Nichelle Magorian (used in Year 6)

Merton Libraries Summer Reading Challenge: Starting Saturday 9 July!

Merton Libraries are calling for children to sign up to read six books this summer as part of Gadgeteers, Summer Reading Challenge 2021, which launches on Saturday 9 July and runs until Saturday 10 September. Children aged 4-11 are challenged to borrow and read any six library books over the summer.

To take part in the Summer Reading Challenge, all children need to do is sign up at their nearest Merton Library or at www.summerreadingchallenge.org.uk.

Those who finish the challenge will receive a medal, a certificate and have a chance at winning one of many prizes including a tablet, a scooter, a family ticket to Warner Bros. Studio Tour, The Making of Harry Potter and **much more!**

There's also a whole programme of events and activities planned at the libraries over the summer to celebrate the Summer Reading Challenge. To book visit <https://www.eventbrite.co.uk/o/merton-libraries-26471263771>

Teen Sleep Webinar Recording

'Sleep can be a challenge for many teens and their parents. Find a recorded live webinar from our Mental Health Support Team on understanding and supporting teen sleep here: https://youtu.be/-O_h9wZm0Uc



Parents Helpline

Call our Parents Helpline for detailed advice, emotional support and signposting about a child or young person up to the age of 25.

You can call us for free on 0808 802 5544 from 9:30am - 4pm, Monday - Friday.

Attached items:

- Worry Ninja Plus Summer Workshops

Term dates 2021-2022**Summer Term 2022**

- Last day: Friday 22 July 2022
(INSETs Monday 6th June and Friday 22nd July, so children end Thursday 21st July)

Term Dates 2022-2023**Autumn Term 2022**

- First day: Thursday 1 September 2022
(INSETs Thursday 1st and Friday 2nd so children back Monday 5th 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 3rd so children back Wednesday 4th January)
- Last day: Friday 31st March 2023
- Half term: Monday 13th February to Friday 17th February 2023

Summer Term 2023

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

As further dates are added, these will be highlighted. By next week we will be able to give you all of the dates for this term.

Date	Time	Event	Notes
2 nd July		Summer Fair	
4 th July	9.00-11.00am 1.30-3.00pm	Year 3 Sports Day Event Year 6 Sports Day Event	
5 th July	9.00-10.30am 1.30-3.00pm	Year 2 Sports Day Event Year 5 Sports Day Event	
6 th July	9.00-10.30am 2.00-3.00pm	Year 1 Sports Day Event Nursery PM	
7 th July	9.00-10.00am 1.30-3.00pm	Reception Sports Day Event Year 4 Sports Day Event	
8 th July	9.00-10.00am	Nursery AM Sports Day Event	
13 th /14 th July	6.30pm	Year 6 Production	
15 th July		Reports out	
19 th July	8.00-8.45am	Extended Share My Learning – more details to follow	
21 st July	9.15	Leaver's Service @ Holy Trinity Church	
21 st July	2.00pm	Term ends	
22 nd July		INSET Day – School closed	

I hope you have a lovely weekend.

Izzy Rickards