

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



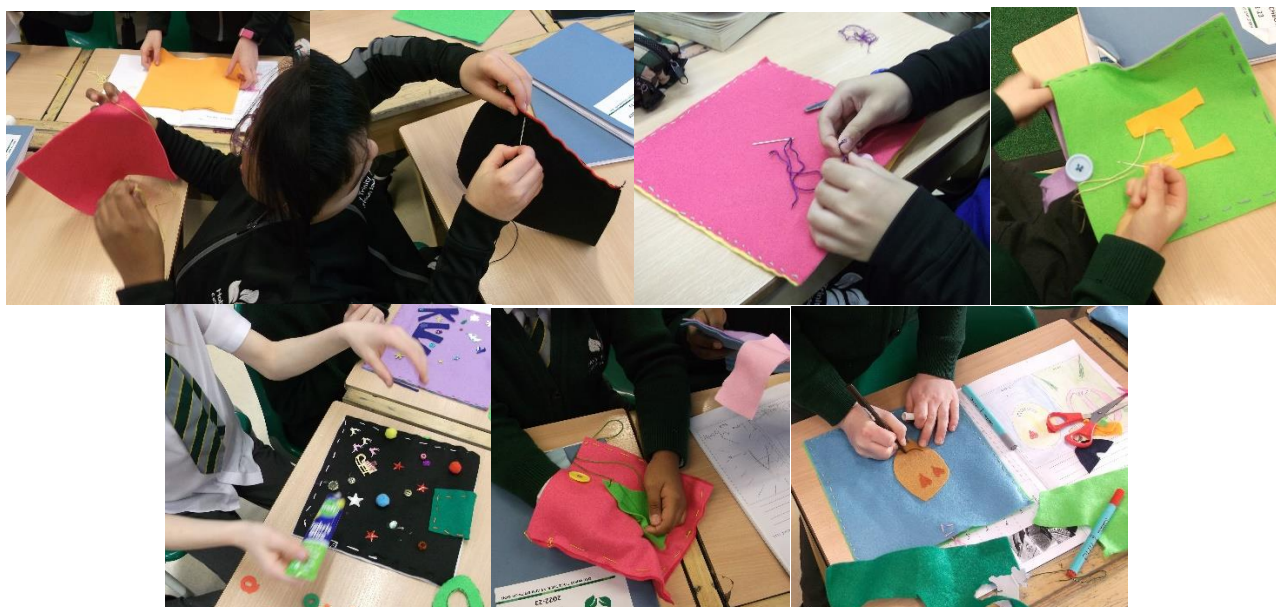
A very happy new year to you all. In worship this week we have been thinking about New Year Resolutions for our school. Our bible verse for the year is from Ephesians 4:32 - *Be kind and compassionate to one another, forgiving each other, just as in Christ God forgave you.*

A prayer for the New Year

Eternal Lord God,

we give you thanks for bringing us through the changes of time to the beginning of another year. Forgive us the wrong we have done in the year that is past, and help us to spend the rest of our days to your honour and glory; through Jesus Christ our Lord.

Amen.



Year 4 completed a textiles unit in DT before Christmas called 'Fastenings'. They learnt about the features, benefits and disadvantages of a range of fastening types, before designing a book sleeve which had to include a fastening. They had lots of practice threading needles and sewing in the assembly of their book sleeves, before they decorated them.

New Chromebooks

We are so grateful to the AFC Wimbledon Foundation, and their DONS Local Action Group (Keep Kids Connected) for supplying our school with a new set of Chromebooks. Their generosity will make such a difference to our school, and will enable more children to use IT to support their learning. My thanks to Cliff and Stuart (pictured below), who made this possible.



Writing Workshop for Parents/Carers – Thursday 26th January 2023, 6.30pm

Following our successful Maths Workshop last term, we will be holding a Writing Workshop on Thursday 26th January 2023, 6.30pm. The evening will be over by 7.45pm.

This workshop will give parents/carers helpful information to be able to support their child/children with their writing at home. Do look out for a Parentmail next week, with further information.


Back to school Health Advice

Please click on the following link for advice from the UK Health Security Agency.

<https://www.gov.uk/government/news/back-to-school-advice-issued-amid-high-levels-of-flu-covid-19-and-scarlet-fever>

Educational Wellbeing Service

We recognise that winter and the start of a new year can often be tricky times for children and their families. This is just a reminder that we are part of the Merton Trailblazer Cluster for Mental Health and Wellbeing. We have access to the Education Wellbeing Service who provide support for families. Do read on to find out more, or email headteacher@holytrinity.merton.sch.uk to find out more. A referral form is attached to this Bulletin too.



EDUCATION WELLBEING SERVICE

INFORMATION FOR PARENTS AND CARERS

WHO WE ARE... We work with parents and carers of children who are experiencing anxiety, fears and worries, or parents and carers whose children are experiencing common emotional and behavioural challenges. We are a NHS wellbeing service working in your child's school providing evidence-based support programmes. This service is not for children who are already receiving help from Children and Family Services or CAMHS.

WHAT WE DO... We help parents understand their child's difficulties with anxiety or emotional/behavioural challenges, and to learn strategies to support and help these challenges. Parent sessions are 1:1, we offer up to 8 sessions that are one hour long. Sessions can be online or in your child's school.

WHO WE SEE...

PRIMARY SCHOOL PARENTS WHOSE...

- Children who sometimes struggle with their emotions leading to behaviours that can be challenging to support at home (e.g. tantrums, not listening or following instructions, difficulties at bedtimes or in mornings, being rude to parents)

OR

- Children who sometimes struggle with anxiety and worry (e.g. shy, panicky, clingy or fearful of specific things, such as separation, school or social situations, avoiding situations or seeking high levels of reassurance)

Electric Guitar Lessons For Beginners

Merton Music Foundation have electric guitar lessons for beginners aged 8-12 starting this weekend at their South Wimbledon Centre. Follow the link for more details and to sign up <https://mmf.org.uk/electricguitars/>

Attached items:

- Educational Wellbeing Practitioner referral form

Term Dates 2022-2023

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)

Term Dates 2023-2024

Autumn Term 2023

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

Date	Time	Event
26 th January	6.30pm	Writing Workshop for parents/carers
7 th 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 th February	8.15-8.45	KS2 Share my Learning – an opportunity for children to share their learning, and books, with their parents/carers
10 th February		Break up for half term
20 th February		2 nd half of term begins
13 th – 17 th March		Assessment Week
20 th – 24 th March		Year 6 visit to France
21 st March	8.15-8.45	EYFS/KSI Share my Learning
22 nd March	8.15-8.45	KS2 Share my Learning
27 th – 31 st March		Parent/Teacher Meetings
28 th March	9.15	Easter Service @ Holy Trinity Church
31 st March	14.00	Break up for Easter holidays
17 th April		Summer term begins
May		Year 2 SATS
8 th May		Extra Bank Holiday
9 th – 12 th May		Year 6 SATS
23 rd 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 th May	8.15-8.45	KS2 Share my Learning – an opportunity for children to share their learning, and books, with their parents/carers
26 th May		Break up for half term
5 th June		INSET Day – School closed
6 th June		2 nd half of term begins
5 th June -16 th June		Year 4 Timetables Check Window
12 th June – 16 th June		Year 1 Phonics Screening Check Window

12 th July	8.00-8.45	Extended Share My Learning TBC
20 th July	9.15 14.00	Leaver's Service @ Holy Trinity Church Term ends
21 st July		INSET Day – School closed

I hope you have a lovely weekend.
Izzy Rickards