

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

Thank you so much to the fantastic HOTS team for organising the disco last week. The children were so excited all day, and obviously had a brilliant time.

Thank you so much for all of your support this half term. I hope you all have a wonderful half term, spending special time with family and friends.



This week Year 2 made Bug hotels as part of our learning on microhabitats. We filled old cardboard boxes with cardboard tubes, leaves, sticks, pine cones and corks. We then put these in the quiet garden. We are looking forward to seeing all the insects making themselves feel welcome in their new home!



We were so lucky to have Reya's mum visit Nursery to help us celebrate Diwali! She told us the story of Rama, Sita and the Monkey King. The children joined in beautifully — walking gracefully like Princess Sita, making fierce faces like the demon king, and standing strong and brave like Rama. We even played musical statues, pretending to be each of the characters!



Reception have had a busy week making Diva lamps and creating wonderful leaf pictures.

Every year, the children at Holy Trinity create amazing Christmas themed designs which are then made into cards or other personalised items to share with friends and family. You can purchase them from 'Art Projects for Schools' (APFS), and at the same time help raise money for our school.

Your child has brought home a Christmas card design and information leaflet. If you would like to order some cards, wrapping paper, labels, bags or mugs, please visit the website and input the unique artwork code found on the back of your child's design.

You must order from APFS **before midnight on the 29th October** otherwise you will incur additional postage charges. **Only 5 days left to place your order.**

The items will be delivered to your child in the week commencing 10th November.

Thank you,
Miss McHenry

Odd Socks

As part of Anti-Bullying Week 2025, we will be taking part in Odd Socks Day on **Monday 10th November**. Please encourage your child to wear a pair of odd socks on Monday 10th November to celebrate that each and every person is valued and unique. **The jazzier the better.**

As part of Odd Socks Day, we will also be holding our annual 'Design a Pair of Odd Socks' Competition. Children will be given the entry sheets in class. Please encourage them to design their odd socks and then hand their entry into their class teacher.



HOTS Update

What an absolutely brilliant time the children had at **Friday's Autumn Disco**, thank you everyone for making it such a successful event. Maybe it was all those soda pops purchased, but we raised a golden **£6.4k!** (If you know you know....)

In other news, we are very seasonally focussed at the moment in HOTS! Please make note of the below current events:-

PUMPKIN CARVING COMPETITION - now open

Get creative this October half term and join in with this fun new fundraiser.

Carve or decorate a pumpkin, buy an entry ticket for just £3 from the HOTS website, then send us a photo of your masterpiece before Monday 3rd November at 18:00.

KS1 and KS2 categories, and prizes to be won!

CHRISTMAS TREE SALE - now open

We are selling beautiful Nordmann Fir Christmas trees again, offering a considerable discount to high street prices, whilst raising vital funds for school projects.

Please do spread the word to family and friends as these are available for our whole community to purchase.

Orders must be placed before Thursday 27th November at 22:00, collection will be from school on Saturday 6th December.

CHRISTMAS CHEER & CAROLS - ticket sales now live

Enter December in Yuletide style with mulled wine, hot chocolate, yummy festive treats and crafting...as well as the joy of singing **carols accompanied by a LIVE BRASS BAND!!!**

This year our Christmas event falls on **Saturday 29th November from 4-6pm** and will be held in the school hall. Please grab your tickets for this special family event from the HOTS website.

Music Lessons with Chris Marsh

I teach piano, clarinet and recorder lessons at the school. Unusually, I currently have some availability at Holy Trinity and no waiting list, so do get in touch if your child might be interested. I've been teaching at the school for 15 years and would be very happy to give more details of my approach or references from parents and pupils. Contact me via cjmarsh@gmail.com or 0777 578 5756.

Tutors from Merton Music Foundation also visit the school and you can sign up for their lessons here: <https://mmf.org.uk/mertonschools/>

RECEPTION 2026 OPEN DAYS

We look forward to welcoming you at one of our open days:

Thursday 6th November
@ 9.30am

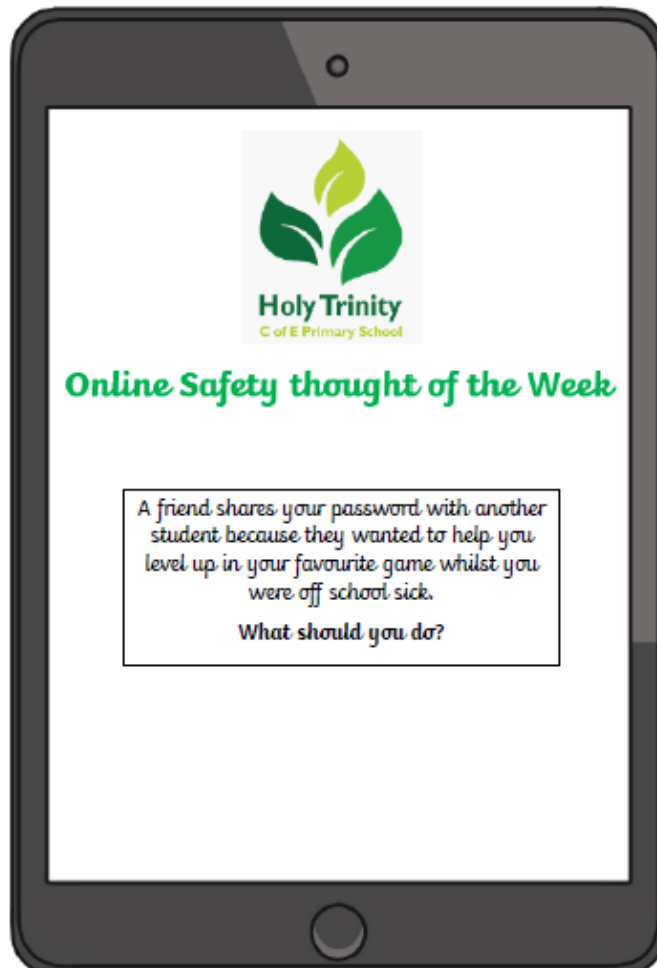
Thursday 27th November
@ 9.30am

Thursday 8th January 2026
@ 9.30am

SIGN UP NOW

☎ 020 8542 1591

🌐 www.holytrinity.merton.sch.uk
visit Admissions > Reception
Admissions to sign up



ONLINE PARENT/CARER WEBINARS

Jointly run by Off The Record and Croydon Drop In

Join us online for the following free workshops. Sign up via Eventbrite by scanning the QR code below. Cameras and microphones can be turned off.



Supporting your Child with Emotionally Based School Non-Attendance (EBSNA)

Tuesday 11th November 2025 at 1:30pm

Helping your Child with Anxiety and Worries

Tuesday 18th November 2025 at 1:30pm

Helping your Child with Behaviours that Challenge (Primary age)

Tuesday 25th November 2025 at 1:30pm

Introduction to Neurodivergence

Tuesday 2nd December 2025 at 1:30pm

Supporting your Young Person with Low Mood

Tuesday 9th December 2025 at 1:30pm



TALK TO US



Are you OK Croydon?



You Talk, We Listen Croydon Drop In



Parent and Child Stay and Play (SEND)* October Half Term

Come and enjoy spooky activities and autumnal play as we celebrate Halloween and Autumn at our October half term Stay & Play SEND* sessions for families with a child aged 5 to 11 years.

This is an opportunity for your child to experience a safe and fun range of activities alongside you and supported by our experienced staff. Parents can also find out about other support provided by Merton Council for children with SEND and their families.

*These stay and play sessions are for children aged 5 to 11 who either attend one of the Additionally Resourced Provision (ARP) bases or who have SEND and are not attending a HAF programme or eligible for a short break. Up to two siblings aged under 11 may attend and one parent/carer. No more than 4 places per family.

Wednesday 29 October, 9.30am to 11.45am
Newminster Children Centre, Morden SM4 6HJ &
Friday 31 October, 9.30am to 11.45am
Church Road Children Centre, Mitcham CR4 3BH



To book a place scan the QR code or copy the links below

29th October <https://send-s-and-p1.eventbrite.co.uk>

31st October <https://send-s-and-p2.eventbrite.co.uk>

Sept 25

Education Wellbeing Service

NHS South West London and St George's Mental Health NHS Trust



EARLY SUPPORT FOR YOUR CHILD'S ANXIETY / CHALLENGING BEHAVIOUR

NHS EDUCATION WELLBEING SERVICE

- We are a free NHS service providing one-to-one support for up to 8 weekly sessions.
- Our guided self-help approach empowers parents with a range of practical strategies to support their child.
- We can adapt our support for children and parents with Autism, ADHD or other Special Educational Needs.

WE CAN SUPPORT YOU WITH ISSUES SUCH AS:

- Sleep
- Worries
- Tantrums
- Phobias





This service is not for children who are already receiving help from Children and Family Services or CAMHS.

Scan the QR Code or speak to your child's teacher/school mental health lead to find out more and apply:



NONSUCH CERAMICS

Sgraffito Decoration Workshop

Create your own festive ceramic decorations using sgraffito – a creative technique seen in the work of ceramic artists like Grayson Perry. No experience needed, all materials included.



Wed 12th Nov, 645pm - 930pm: *William Morris Pub, Merton Abbey Mills, Merton/Colliers Wood*

Fri 21st Nov, 645pm - 930pm: *Holy Trinity Church, Wimbledon*

TM UNITED
FOOTBALL
HALF-TERM CAMP
2025
 Ages 6-12 years

FA qualified coaches. All abilities welcome

October 27-31

Early drop off available!

Tooting and Mitcham FC SM46BF

9AM - 3PM
£25 Per Day

To book contact
 Bradley 07910872524
 info@tmunited.org

MOTSPUR PARK COMMUNITY FC
FOOTBALL FOR ALL

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FREE Fun and Inclusive Football Sessions For Players With Additional Needs
Open to Boys & Girls in School Years 2-7

The sessions are run on a Monday evening at Goals Wimbledon (KT3 4PH) by an experienced UEFA C Qualified coach who has experience working with players whom have additional needs. The coach is also a Disability Ambassador for Surrey FA and his own children have additional needs.

S.E.N.D. S.E.M.H. Neurodivergent Additional Needs Mental Health Additional Needs

Year 2&3 @ 17:30-18:30 || Year 4-7 @ 18:30-19:30

To register your interest contact us on **07765928618** or sign up via our website <https://academy.motspurparkfc.com>

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 PART OF ENGLAND FOOTBALL

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Term Dates 2025-2026

Autumn Term 2025

First day: Monday 1 September 2025 (INSETS Monday 1st and Tuesday 2nd September)

Children start back Wednesday 3rd September 2025

Half term: Monday 27 October to Friday 31 October 2025

Last day Friday 19 December 2025

Spring Term 2026

First day: Monday 5 January 2026 (INSET Monday 5th January)

Children start back Tuesday 6th January 2026

Half term: Monday 16 February to Friday 20 February 2026

Last day: Friday 27 March 2026

Summer Term 2026

First day: Monday 13 April 2026

Half term: Monday 25 May to Friday 29 May 2026 (INSET Monday 1st June)

Children start back after half term Tuesday 2nd June 2026

Last day: Monday 20 July 2026 (INSET Monday 20th July)

Children break up Friday 17th July 2026

Term Dates 2026-2027

Autumn Term 2026

- First day: Tuesday 1 September 2026
(INSET Days Tuesday 1 and Wednesday 2 September)
Children start back Thursday 3 September 2026
- Last day Friday 18 December 2026
- Half term: Monday 26 October to Friday 30 October 2026

Spring Term 2027

- First day: Monday 4 January 2027
(INSET Day Monday 4 January 2027)
Children start back Tuesday 5 January 2027
- Last day: Thursday 25 March 2027
- Half term: Monday 15 February to Friday 19 February 2027

Summer Term 2027

- First day: Monday 12 April 2027
- Last day: Wednesday 21 July 2027
(INSET Day Wednesday 21 July)
Children end Tuesday 20 July 2027
- Half term: Monday 31 May to Friday 4 June 2027
(INSET Day Monday 7 June)
Children return from half term Tuesday 8 June 2027

Key Dates (Any new dates will be highlighted)

Date	Time	Event
3 rd November		Autumn 2 begins
6 th November		Reception Open Morning for entry in 2026
10 th – 14 th November		Anti-bullying week
10 th November		Odd Socks Day
18 th November		School Eucharist @ school
24 th – 28 th November		Assessment Week
27 th November	9.30	Reception Open Morning for entry in 2026
29 th November	16.00-18.00	HOTS' Christmas Cheer and Carols
6 th December		Holy Trinity Church Christmas Fair
9 th December	9.15	Reception Nativity (Owls)
10 th December	9.15	Reception Nativity (Robins)
11 th December	9.15	Year 1 Concert
12 th December	9.15	Year 2 Concert (with orchestra)
16 th December	10.30/2.30	Nursery Nativity
16 th December	18.30	Year 3/5 Carol Service @ Holy Trinity Church
18 th December	18.30	Year 4/6 Carol Service @ Holy Trinity Church
19 th December	14.00	Break up
5 th January 2026		INSET Day – School closed
6 th January 2026		Spring 1 Term begins for all children
8 th January		Reception Open Morning for entry in 2026

19 th – 23 rd January		Science Week
10 th February		Safer Internet Day
13 th February		Break up for half term
23 th February		Spring 2 term begins
23 rd – 27 th February 2 nd – 6 th March		3H Swimming
2 nd – 6 th March		Book Week including World Book Day 6 th March
2 nd – 13 th March		Assessment weeks
9 th – 13 th March 16 th – 20 th March		3T Swimming
20 th March	8.15-8.45	Share My Learning – an opportunity for children to share their learning, and books, with their parents/carers
23 rd – 27 th March		Year 6 in France
27 th March	14.00	Break up for Easter
13 th April		Summer 1 starts
13 th – 16 th April		Parent/Teacher Meetings
20 th – 24 th April		Art Week
22 nd April		Earth Day
6 th – 8 th May		Year 4 PGL
11 th – 14 th May		Year 6 SATS
21 st May		Cultural Day
22 nd May	8.15-8.45	Share my Learning – an opportunity for children to share their learning, and books, with their parents/carers
22 nd May		Break up for half term
1 st June		INSET Day – School closed
2 nd June		Summer 2 term begins
2 nd – 5 th June		Sports Week
2 nd – 5 th June		Year 4 Multiplication Check Week
15 th – 19 th June		Assessment Week
8 th – 12 th June		Year 1 Phonics Screening Check Window
13 th July		DT Day
17 th July	8.15-9.00	Extended Share My Learning
17 th July	9.30 14.00	Leaver's Service @ Holy Trinity Church Term ends
20 th July		INSET Day

Have a wonderful half term.

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Headteacher