

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

What a week! We have had a fantastic Book Week led by Miss Davies and our Year 6 Reading Ambassadors – thank you to everyone for their creative costumes. Year 5 have entered the Guinness World Record book, together with 850 other schools, for the largest rap lesson with MC Grammar <https://www.bbc.co.uk/news/articles/cr517d1vcp3o>. <https://kids.guinnessworldrecords.com/news/2026/3/mc-grammar-breaks-iconic-world-record-for-the-largest-rap-lesson#:~:text=During%20the%2030%2Dminute%20lesson,'Each%20Peach%20Pear%20Plum'>.

Year 1 visited the library for World Book Day, and Year 5 joined with other schools for their final rehearsal before the performance at the Royal Albert Hall next week. We welcomed teachers from other schools to a maths showcase – we received such wonderful feedback about how helpful the session was.

We welcomed All Saints' Faith Team to our Lent Eucharist this week, which was led by Father Mark, Reverend Mary and our Growing Together in Spirit Team – it was such a special service remembering Jesus' death on the cross.

October Half Term Consultation

Merton are consulting all of their community schools on whether to extend the October half term break from 2027/28 onwards. We are keen to also consult our families too, so please do click on the link and share your views.

There is a space for you to include any comments you have.

<https://forms.gle/3HhsojxYzLzrdRHfA>



Year 5 set a new Guinness World Record for the Largest Rap Lesson with MC Grammar on Monday at the New Wimbledon Theatre. We had a wonderful time discovering varied rhyming words and rapping to a beat to tell a story. Miss Proctor even got called up onto the stage!



The crayons may quit but HT staff never do!



World Book Day fun!



In Year 6, we have spent some time reading for pleasure. We discussed that we love reading the most when we feel comfortable and relaxed, so we recreated this in the classroom. We didn't want this to end!



Year 1 had a great time practising their knife and fork skills during a workshop run by Caterlink!



Elijah, one of our Year 5 pupils, is a Polka Theatre Ambassador. He's been writing a report on the Polka's current show, *Who Let The Gods Out*.



Reception children working hard on their Numberblock activity as part of our showcase event for visiting teachers.

Mini-Marathon – Monday 9th March

On Monday 9th March, the whole school will be participating in a Mini-Marathon. Please could all children wear trainers on that day. Unless it is also their PE day, it is not necessary to wear PE Uniform.

Effra Road Parking on Zig-Zag Lines

Just a reminder that parking is not allowed on the zig-zag lines outside the school (except at the designated times). Many parents are parking here when collecting children from activity clubs or the After School Club. Please support us in keeping all of our community safe.

Volunteer Opportunity — School Governor Committee Clerk

We are looking for a parent or community member to take on the role of Clerk to our Business Sub-Committee, with a start date of September 2026.

After three happy years, our current Clerk Paul Allen is stepping down and is keen to ensure a smooth and supported handover. Full training and handover from Paul will be provided.

The commitment is modest: six morning (07:45 - 09:00) meetings per year (one every half-term) with around 3–4 hours of preparation and follow-up for each. Meetings are recorded to keep the admin as simple as possible, and take place via video call.

You don't need a governance background — just good organisational skills, an eye for detail, and the ability to write clearly and confidentially. As this is business committee an interest in business; finances and how the school runs and operates from a commercial; legal and financial perspective would help.

Please email Paul at paulallenlondon@gmail.com for an informal chat — no commitment required.

Helpful App/Website

One of our parents has shared a really useful App that she uses to check suitability of websites and films. The parent has found it really helpful for choosing films for movie nights, books and tv series the children are interested in when deciding what is appropriate and giving a reason why.

<https://www.commonsemmedia.org>

<https://apps.apple.com/gb/app/common-sense-media/id6443335877>



Online Safety thought of the Week

The Shiny Pop-Up

The Scenario: You are watching a video on a laptop. Suddenly, a bright, flashing box pops up on the screen. It says:
"CONGRATULATIONS! YOU WON A PRIZE! CLICK HERE NOW!"

Discussion Question: Do you click the box to get the prize?

KS1 Online Safety Thought



Online Safety thought of the Week

The "House Tour" Video

The Scenario: You want to be a YouTuber. You decide to film a "Day in the Life" vlog. You film yourself walking out the front door of your house, walking down your street to the park, and filming your friends playing there.

Discussion Question: What "personal information" did you just accidentally share with the whole world?

KS2 Online Safety Thought



Get a £10 supermarket voucher* per household

COST-OF-LIVING ACTION

Struggling with the cost of living?

There is support available in Merton

Come along to Merton Council's free event for advice on money, debt, energy saving, wellbeing and more

- **Saturday 21 March, 10.30am–1.30pm**
New venue: MertonVision, The Guardian Centre, 67 Clarendon Road, SW19 2DX

Find out more, scan the QR code or call 020 8066 4086



LONDON BOROUGH OF MERTON

Caterlink Art Competition

We invite pupils to let their imaginations run wild and create an **A4 page of colourful, foodie-inspired landscapes**. Think **broccoli trees, baguette fences**, or even **carrot chimneys** – the more creative, the better!

What's in it for you?

- Winning artwork will feature in Caterlink's primary marketing.
- The winning school will receive a **completed art wall**, or **£200 for the school**, and a **£20 book voucher for the pupil whose design wins**.

How to enter:

- Artwork can be posted to **Caterlink Competition, Hop House, Lower Green Road, Pembury, Kent, TN2 4HS** or scanned and emailed to info@caterlinkltd.co.uk. (please keep the original artwork as this may be needed if you are selected a winner)
- Ensure you include the **pupils name, age and school on the back of the artwork**, or as the title of the picture file. We will also require the full **school's name**, address, and contact (Mrs Rickards) so that we can contact winning entries.
- Entries must be received by 5pm on **31st March 2026**.
- Winning entries will be notified by the end of May 2026.

HOTS Update

Parents' Quiz Night with Pizza Van - Friday 20th March from 7.15pm

Get ready for the perfect combination of award-winning fresh pizza from visiting pizza van, Made of Dough, and even fresher puzzles and trivia from our Quiz Master extraordinaire.

Grab your team (any size up to 8 people) and get booking for an evening of light-hearted quizzing, top tier food and refreshing drinks. We're already well over half capacity, so don't delay. Friends & family very welcome.

<https://www.pta-events.co.uk/hots/index.cfm?event=event&eventid=112928>

HOT Committee - Secretary Needed

Are you good at organising? Have a flair for communications? Maybe you like what we do for the school with HOTS and want to get more involved?

HOTS have a position of Secretary to be filled which would especially suit someone who wants to get a handle on our publicity and can help us keep our operations and procedures on track. Do get in touch with us on HOTSemail@gmail.com or via your class rep to find out more.

And finally....

Don't forget to save the date of **Friday 24th April for our ever popular SPRING DISCO!** Early Years and KS1 17.30-18.30, KS2 18.45-20.00.

Tickets on sale within the fortnight!

Education Wellbeing Service Webinar

Education
Wellbeing
Service

Supporting common child anxieties and worries including around exams

It can be hard sometimes to know how best to support your child's fears and worries. This webinar provides a range of guidance, tips and tools for supporting common childhood fears and worries, including around exams.



We will look at different ways you can:

- Talk with your child about worries
- Identify key worries
- Support your child with their anxieties and worries
- Provide some key resources

DATE / TIME

Tuesday 24th March
1.00-2.00pm



Scan the
QR code
or
[click here](#)

LOCATION

Online - Hosted on Teams

Sign up to either event
for free on Eventbrite
by scanning the QR Code.

You can also check out
our other events by
[clicking here](#)

wellbeinginschoolsevents@swlstg.nhs.uk

DATE / TIME

Thursday 26th March
7.00-8.00pm



Scan the
QR code
or
[click here](#)

Parents Information Webinar: Vaping

Join our FREE Vaping Awareness Workshop and get the facts you need to protect and support your family!

- ✓ Know the Basics – What is vaping really?
- ✓ Understand the Law – What's legal and what's not?
- ✓ Spot the Difference – Identify illegal vapes and protect your child
- ✓ Discover the Risks – Health, environmental, and financial dangers
- ✓ Learn How to Help – Proven techniques to quit and manage stress
- ✓ Get Support – Find out what help is available for young people and adults
- ✓ Understand the Impact – Why vaping affects young people differently



Date: March 17th 2026

Location: Eventbrite

Time: 18:00 – 19:00

Don't wait until it's too late!

Empower yourself with knowledge and tools to keep your child safe.

Reserve your spot today!



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HOLY TRINITY PRIMARY SCHOOL

£44 PER DAY OR £152 FOR 4 DAYS (£38 PER DAY)
8AM - 6PM*

Mon 30th March - Thurs 2nd April

FOR RECEPTION TO YEAR 6

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To register your child for the camp, simply send the following information to Elliot@fitness4schools.com - Child's name, School year, Class name, Mobile Number & Any medical info

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EASTER HOLIDAYS

Street Dance + Gymnastics

Part 1 at Meadow Primary School,
Sparrow Farm Road, Stoneleigh, KT17 2LW

Monday 30th March to Thursday 2nd April

Part 2 at St Dunstan's Primary School
Anne Boleyn's Walk, Sutton, SM3 8DF

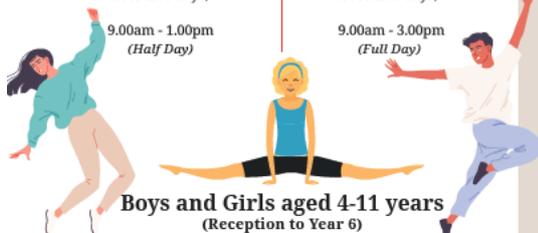
Tuesday 7th April to Friday 10th April

£25 per half day
(£20 per half day if you book five days)

9.00am - 1.00pm
(Half Day)

£32 per full day
(£25 per full day if you book five days)

9.00am - 3.00pm
(Full Day)



Boys and Girls aged 4-11 years
(Reception to Year 6)

Activities include Routines, Coordination Skills and Fun Games
To book your place, please see details overleaf.

COMMUNITY ADVANTAGES

EASTER HOLIDAYS

Street Dance + Gymnastics

Should you wish for any further information then please feel free to contact Naz (Head Coach) on 07793 815 752 or by e-mail at info@ca-sportscoaching.co.uk or check out our website at www.ca-sportscoaching.co.uk

Your child should arrive with: appropriate clothing to enable movement and flexibility, appropriate footwear, lunch and a drink (non fizzy)

To book a place, please email info@ca-sportscoaching.co.uk confirming the following details:

1. Child's Name
2. Current School Year
3. Emergency Contact Number
4. Medical Requirements (if any)
5. Days You Would Like To Book

Once we receive your booking request we will contact you to explain how to make payment.



COMMUNITY ADVANTAGES

Term Dates 2025-2026

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
2 nd – 13 th March		Assessment weeks
9 th March		Mini-Marathon – all children to wear trainers please
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
20 th March		Lent Appeal – Mini-Market
20 th March	Evening	HOTS Parent Quiz Night
23 rd – 27 th March		Year 6 in France
27 th March	14.00	Break up for Easter
30 th March – 2 nd April		Fitness 4 Schools Holiday Club @ Holy Trinity
13 th April		Summer 1 starts
13 th – 16 th April		Parent/Teacher Meetings
20 th – 24 th April		Art Week (for years 5 & 6)
22 nd April		Earth Day
23 rd April	9.00-10.00	Wellbeing Coffee Morning for parents/carers – Helping my child with common fears and worries
24 th April	Evening	HOTS' Disco
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
27 th June	12.00 – 16.00	Summer Fair
3 rd July	AM	Year 6 to Southwark Cathedral
8 th July	18.30	Year 6 Production
9 th July	18.30	Year 6 Production
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 weekend.

Izzy Rickards
Headteacher