

### 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 has been another packed week as we draw to the end of this academic year.

Year 6 performed their amazing production – *The Pirates of the Curry Bean*. They also visited Southwark Cathedral for the Leavers' Service – the theme was the *River of Hope*. After the service the children had the chance to explore Borough Market and taste the delights of the ice cream, cookie and doughnut stalls!

Some of our Year 5 children have just returned from a Tag Rugby tournament – they won all of their matches. Many congratulations to the team.

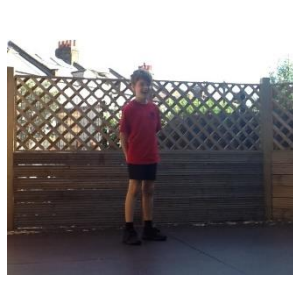
Your child should have brought home their report this afternoon. You will receive a covering letter via Parentmail giving further information. We are so proud of all that they have achieved despite another COVID-disrupted year, with so many absences.





It has been a busy week in Reception. They've visited Hobbledown Farm and had their Pirates and Mermaids fun day today.

This week Year 2 have completed their Design and Technology Unit. We made pouches by sewing a running stitch. First, we designed them and picked the best option. After creating these we evaluated our pouches thinking about what we would do differently next time. Here are some of our designs:



Year 4 has been learning about Haikus, and they composed their own Haikus about something desert related. They then had to learn them by heart, before performing them on the stage to the other children. A resounding success!



Year 5 created these wonderfully uplifting inspirational postcards in art.



Year 5 enjoyed doing water art too. It was a good way to cool down too!



Sarang played at Wimbledon last Sunday. We are so proud of her.

Her parents write:

This year, Sarang was invited to an exhibition just before the men's final tennis game, which was hosted by Wimbledon Junior Tennis Initiative (WJTI), as one of young tennis players among hundreds of candidates again after she participated in the same event before the Pandemic three years ago. In the exhibition, she exercised her skills she has learned from WJTI professional coaching team for many years without giving up and it was really honoured and pleased for us to see Sarang be a part of one of the proudest British events.

### **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@holyltrinity.merton.sch.uk](mailto:headteacher@holyltrinity.merton.sch.uk) or catch me on the gate.

### **Hot Weather**

As you know very hot weather is forecast for the beginning of next week. School will be open as usual, but we will endeavour to keep your children as cool as possible. We will take a view on Monday about playtimes and lunchtimes. Sometimes outside under the trees is cooler than inside!

For the whole of next week, children may wear whatever uniform they feel coolest in. This could be the PE uniform or the school uniform. **On Thursday, however, it would be lovely if Year 6 could wear their normal school uniform for their leavers' service in church.**

Please ensure that children wear hats, bring plenty of water and have applied suncream.

Schools have been issued with guidance from Public Health, which I have attached.

### **A message from Dr Porritt our librarian**

Please could you have a good look round at home and ensure that all school library books are returned to school before the end of term.

### **HOTS notices**

HOTS now have a brand new **facebook group** where you can find out more about our fundraisers, find useful information and be a part of the parent/carer online community. Please join us here: <https://bit.ly/3PcbQEK>

We would love to find a new **Social Secretary** for HOTS to run our social media pages. It would require quite minimal time commitment but you would be making a real difference to help our vital fundraising efforts for the school. If you're interested or to find out more just email Kate at [hotsemail@gmail.com](mailto:hotsemail@gmail.com)

### **New Reps**

We have had a brilliant year and we couldn't have done it without the support of the amazing class reps. **Thank you to everyone who has given their time and energy to helping HOTS and the whole school community stay connected this year.**

Every class will now be looking for two new reps to help communicate with parents and represent your class. Please speak to your current reps if you are interested. We appreciate everyone is busy and has multiple time commitments, but it takes us all working together to support the school and ensure it continues to thrive.

### **Pre-loved Uniform**

A quick reminder that you can buy preloved uniform online on the HOTS PTA website and Kirsty will kindly be delivering orders to South Park Gardens over the summer for those who need it. [www.pta-events.co.uk/hots/](http://www.pta-events.co.uk/hots/)

### **Extended Share My Learning**

Our doors will open on **Tuesday 19<sup>th</sup> July, from 8.00-8.45am**, for a chance for your child/children to show you their work, and for you to pop in to see your child's next classroom.

From 8.00-8.30am entry will be via the main entrance on Effra Road (via the Office). From 8.30am, the gates will be open, so please enter via Faraday Gate.

### **End of Term**

Just a reminder that **Nursery** ends on **Wednesday 20<sup>th</sup> July**, and the **rest of the school** ends at **2.00pm** on **Thursday 21<sup>st</sup> July**. Friday 22<sup>nd</sup> July is an INSET day.

### **Are you looking for a residential summer camp for your child?**

Izzy Rickards is running a Christian Holiday in North Norfolk from 20<sup>th</sup> – 27<sup>th</sup> August, for children in school years 4-8. Do take a look at the following website for more information <https://westruntonholidays.org/dolphin-launchpad-multi-activity-christian-holiday>

### **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](http://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>

### **Attached items:**

- Heatwave Guidance

## Term dates 2021-2022

### Summer Term 2022

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

## Term Dates 2022-2023

### Autumn Term 2022

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

### Summer Term 2023

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

As further dates are added, these will be highlighted.

Date	Time	Event	Notes
19 <sup>th</sup> July	8.00-8.45am	Extended Share My Learning	
20 <sup>th</sup> July		Nursery final day	
21 <sup>st</sup> July	9.15	Leaver's Service @ Holy Trinity Church	
21 <sup>st</sup> July	2.00pm	Term ends	
22 <sup>nd</sup> July		<b>INSET Day – School closed</b>	

I hope you have a lovely weekend.

Izzy Rickards