FRIDAY BULLETIN

Growing together as children of God



At Holy Trinity C of E Primary School:

 \checkmark 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.

 \checkmark 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.

 \checkmark 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

I hope you all managed to have a lovely Easter break, with a chance for some special time with family and friends. The Summer term has started well, and it has been great to see some sunshine too.

This week, in worship, we have been hearing about people who saw the risen Christ.

We would love to hear your views on our school!

Our annual parent survey is going live today, and will close on 13th May. Please do take the time to complete one response per family. If your answers are different for different children, please use the comments boxes to give further information.

To complete the survey, please click on the link below.

https://forms.gle/U3BPwmvFe9TJLCy49

The information we get from this survey is so helpful in shaping our School Improvement Plan for the coming academic year. Following the survey, the governors will organise a Parent Forum, to discuss aspects of the survey in more detail. Watch this space for further information.

Class Photos – Tuesday 26th April

We will be taking group photographs during the school day on Tuesday. Please ensure that your child comes to school in the correct school uniform (not PE uniform) including their green sweatshirt/ jumper/ cardigan and black school shoes. If your child would normally have PE on a Tuesday, please send them to school with named trainers to change into during the school day.

On Tuesday your child will come home from school with a pre-printed photo ticket which will enable you to log onto the Kittle website to order the appropriate photo for your class. Please check your child's bag for the ticket!

Music Festival

This term sees the return of our Music Festival for Year 2 - Year 6. This is an opportunity for children to prepare a performance and sing to the class, or, if they learn an instrument, to play to the class. The heats will take place in music lessons in the weeks beginning 9th and 16th May, with some children being selected to perform in the Finals (date to be arranged). Children in Year 2 and Year 3 may choose to sing one of the songs that we have been learning

in class this term or their own choice of song. Children in Year 4- Year 6 are free to choose their own song. Own choice songs MUST be age appropriate (i.e. no inappropriate lyrics or content). They may sing on their own or with a friend, but it is up to them to sort out who to sing with and to rehearse together.

It is a great opportunity for those that learn an instrument to have the chance to perform to their friends. A good standard of performance is expected.

Children do not have to sing or play - it is just as important to have a good audience for those that do perform. Any queries - please see Mrs Quinn (who is in school on Tuesdays, Wednesdays and Thursdays) or email (<u>hilary.quinn@holytrinity.merton.sch.uk</u>)

Wimbledon Junior Tennis Initiative

Many congratulations to Izzy G, Sam and Pola in Reception, who have been selected to join the Wimbledon Junior Tennis Initiative – The All England Club's junior tennis programme. Future stars of Wimbledon in the making!

Living With COVID

As you will know, the COVID guidance changed on 1st April 2022. Please read the letter from Public Health, which is attached to this Bulletin, for further information.

In summary, the two main takeaway messages from guidance are:

I) the importance of prevention measures such as vaccination;

2) if a child is unwell (especially if they have a temperature), they stay away from setting until they are better – this is similar to the way we managed things before the pandemic. Children with mild symptoms such as a runny nose, sore throat, or mild cough, who are otherwise well, can continue to attend their education or childcare setting.

There is no longer a need for children to isolate at home for 5 days. If they are feeling ill (or have a temperature), then they should stay at home until they are better. If they are feeling well enough to come to school (and don't have a temperature), then they should be in school.

We are very keen for school attendance to improve this term.

Parent/Carer Prayer group

The parent/carer prayer group will be meeting once a fortnight on zoom this term starting next Friday 29th April 9-10am on Zoom. Meeting ID: 898 8286 0530

Passcode: q|8ZRB

Anyone is welcome to join us as encourage one another in our faith and pray for our each other, our school, community and the wider world around us. For further information please contact Sarah Williams on <u>timso.williams@gmail.com</u>

HOTS Notices

Join us for the **HOTS AGM on Wednesday 18th May 7.30pm** at school. We will be discussing our fundraising over the last year, welcoming ideas for the year ahead and talking about the return of the summer fair and how you can help.

It is a great opportunity to meet the committee and find out how you can support the vital fundraising we do for the school. **The money we raise helps support every area of the school**, from the playground and sports equipment to books and musical instruments, from extra support staff such as the librarian to workshops for every age group.

Please come along and show your support. There will be refreshments (wine) and we promise to keep it short and sweet!

Many thanks,

The HOTS Committee

Transition Workshops for Year 6 pupils and parents

Merton's Education Wellbeing Teams are offering a series of Worry Ninja Plus workshops for transitioning year 6 pupils and their parents to support confident and successful transitions to secondary school. Tools to manage, tackle common anxieties and boost confidence in the run up to secondary school. Sign up for free here: https://www.eventbrite.co.uk/e/worry-ninja-plus-year-6-transition-merton-summer-2022-workshop-series-tickets-318707331207'

The Charlie Waller Trust - Free Parent Webinars

The Charlie Waller Trust are running a series of live webinars for parents, carers and educators. They are all presented by our mental health trainers, speakers and guest speakers who come from a wide range of professions, including education, psychology, social work, youth work, public health, psychotherapy and nursing. Topics include 'The Teen Brain', 'Sleep' and 'Perfectionism'.

The webinars explore strategies for maintaining positive mental health, paying attention to our own wellbeing and supporting those around us.

Click the link below to book: https://charliewaller.org/what-we-offer/freewebinars?_cldee=ihCZKGNsumTcOyIWDZ8IHE3esNtU1YPRM6Oke2Hd7Iw8o1ATCYjpjg3SMdb5eY7bUkdZqET1 mz9FV0CP4B5Wdg&recipientid=contact-427d0f9c0b76eb11a81200224841449fe1b8a9f8434345f4ba798b0d116a5fb6&esid=ae35db54-0ab1-ec11-983f-6045bd0f31bc

Attached items:

• Letter from Public Health about Living with COVID

Term dates 2021-2022

Summer Term 2022

- First day: Tuesday 19 April 2022
- Last day: Friday 22 July 2022
- Half term: Monday 30 May to Friday 3 June 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 I 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
26 th April		School/Class Photographs	
27 th – 29 th April		Year 4 @ PGL	
9 th – 12 th May		Year 6 SATS	
27 th May		Jubilee Celebrations	
		Break up for half term	
6 th June		INSET Day – School closed	
7 th June		2 nd half of term begins	
6 th June -17 th June		Year I Phonics Screening Check Window	
		Year 4 Timetables Check Window	
20 th – 24 th June		Year 6 to France	
		Book Week	
2 nd July		Summer Fair	
4 th – 8 th July		Sports Week – days TBC	
13th/14th July	6.30pm	Year 6 Production	
21st July	9.15	Leaver's Service @ Holy Trinity Church	
21st July	2.00pm	Term ends	
22 nd July		INSET Day – School closed	

I hope you have a lovely weekend.

Izzy Rickards