

### 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

Every Friday we hold Celebration Worship. Certificates are awarded, but it is also an opportunity for children to share anything from home, for example, music or dance certificates, sporting medals or trophies. We have even had children bringing in medals that their parents/carers have been awarded. We love to hear what the children are doing out of school, and celebrate with them.

Please may I remind you that I have an Open Door Policy, and am always willing to meet with parents/carers. Do email me in the first instance at [headteacher@holytrinity.merton.sch.uk](mailto:headteacher@holytrinity.merton.sch.uk)



We are thrilled to have been awarded the Gold Sports Mark in recognition of all of the sporting opportunities that are given to our pupils. Thank you to Coach Bailey and Miss Hann for making this happen.

### A Touch of Blue for Battersea – Monday 30<sup>th</sup> September



# BATTERSEA



We are delighted that Daphne, one of our Year 5 pupils, has asked whether our school can participate in Battersea Cats and Dog's 'Wear Blue for Rescue' initiative. I, of course, agreed! Daphne will be leading a whole school assembly on Monday, to give further information to the children, but we wanted to share this with you too.

On **Monday 30<sup>th</sup> September**, children may wear a 'touch of blue' in support of Battersea Cats and Dog's Rescue initiative. School uniform should be worn, but children might like to accessorise with something blue. This could include:

- Blue hair accessories, or even blue hair
- Blue nail varnish

- Blue socks
- Blue ribbon or badge
- Blue face paint

We will send a Parentmail next week with information about how you can donate to this appeal. If you would like to read more about the initiative, do take a look at this link <https://www.battersea.org.uk/wear-blue-for-rescue>

### Sensory Corner – Our new feature



## SENSORY CORNER



Some of our children may find mint flavoured, foaming toothpastes challenging. There are a variety of products available on Amazon <https://www.amazon.co.uk/> and Growing Smiles <https://growingsmiles.co.uk/> who offer alternative products that provide the recommended amount of fluoride and are flavourless and non - foaming.

**If you have a family member with sensory needs and wish to share a top tip please send them to us and we will share them on the bulletin!**

### Drop off and Pick up

We are thrilled with the way the children have been coming into school. It would help so much if parents/carers are able to drop their children and then leave as soon as possible, rather than waiting near the lines until the children go in to school. This helps the children to settle in quickly.

In the afternoons, it would be so helpful if you could wait towards the middle of the playground, this enables the teachers to see parents/carers more clearly. Year 1 parents, it's fine for you to wait on the astro-turf!

### Uniform Labelling Plea

This week I have counted 29 jumpers/cardigans/sweatshirts, 18 PE Tracksuit tops and 4 coats in the lost property box **without names**. It is virtually impossible for us to return these to their owners. Please ensure that this weekend you name your child's uniform, especially jumpers/tops which they might take off when they are hot. Thank you.

### European Day of Languages – Thursday 26<sup>th</sup> September

On Thursday 26<sup>th</sup> September, we will be celebrating the European Day of Languages! This is a celebration of all the different languages spoken around the world (not just in Europe!) and is designed to promote the importance of language learning and protect the linguistic heritage.

This week in our KS2 French lessons, children have been sharing with their classes different languages that they might speak at home and their experiences of other cultures and we look forward to celebrating this further later this month.

**Parents are warmly welcome to come into school to read a story to their child's class in another language or simply talk about their culture.** Please do email Madame Poleviou (KS2 French teacher) to discuss further. ([anthia.poleviou@holyltrinity.merton.sch.uk](mailto:anthia.poleviou@holyltrinity.merton.sch.uk))



## **Harvest Service – Tuesday 1<sup>st</sup> October**

We are looking forward to our Harvest Celebration on Tuesday 1<sup>st</sup> October. This year we will be giving food contributions to the DONS Local Action Group. Our Harvest contributions will be instead of our monthly Friday collections.

If you are able to contribute to this collection, please bring items into school on Tuesday 1<sup>st</sup> October. Useful items include:

- Non-perishable goods – breakfast cereals, tinned food, UHT milk, tea, coffee, jars of pasta sauce, biscuits and sweet treats.
- Toiletries – toothpaste, shower gel, nappies etc

## **Admission to Communion Preparation 2024**

I am writing to you as your child or children may have been baptised at Holy Trinity South Wimbledon and from September they will be in school-year 3 or above. We would therefore love to welcome them to prepare for their first holy communion.

We plan to have six preparation sessions on Sunday afternoons between 2-3pm at St John the Divine, High Path SW19 2JY. These will begin on 6 October (which allows us the option of breaking for half-term). The service of admission to communion will take place this year on Sunday 24 November, the Feast of Christ the King, at 10.30am at Christ Church.

I appreciate that the time given to this requires some commitment, but if your child / children decide(s) to join in, I would ask you to make the preparation sessions a priority, so that they may prepare well for this important step in their spiritual journey. Parents don't need to attend the sessions, though you are welcome to stay if you wish.

If your child would like to join these sessions, please let me know as soon as possible,

Thank you and God bless,

Mark Eminson, Team Rector, Holy Trinity Church

[eminson.mark@gmail.com](mailto:eminson.mark@gmail.com)

07939 253915

## **MMF Instrumental Lessons at Holy Trinity**

Instrument Lessons at Holy Trinity School resume next week. We are working with Merton Music Foundation to continue to offer one-to-one and small group instrumental lessons at school this academic year. MMF teaches a range of instruments, starting from £92 per term for a group lesson (10 lessons per term). Lessons take place at school, during the school day, instrument hire and financial assistance are also available. For more information or to sign up, please visit: [www.mmf.org.uk/lessons](http://www.mmf.org.uk/lessons)

We currently have space on the brass timetable and would love some more pupils to learn. If your child would love to learn trumpet, trombone or French horn please sign up for lessons as soon as possible through

MMF: [www.mmf.org.uk/lessons](http://www.mmf.org.uk/lessons)

## **Lunchtime Supervisor Vacancy**

Might you be interested in a short-term lunchtime supervisor role at school? This involves supporting the children in the lunch hall, cleaning tables, and supervising the children in the playground. If you are interested, please email [headteacher@holytrinity.merton.sch.uk](mailto:headteacher@holytrinity.merton.sch.uk), for more information.

## **Applying for Reception 2025**

Applications, via Merton Council, are now open for Reception 2025 entry. We have a number of Open Mornings coming up. If you would like to come, or know of anyone who might be interested, do share the following dates with them:

- Thursday 17th October 2024 @ 9.30am
- Thursday 7th November 2024 @ 9.30am
- Thursday 28th November 2024 @ 9.30am
- Thursday 9th January 2025 @ 9.30am

To book onto one of our Open Days please complete the following form:

<https://forms.gle/6puGVL5QwLMRgdWf9>

## Parent Prayer Group

Throughout the year parents meet (generally in short, online meetings) to pray for our school and everything that goes on in it. If you'd like to join us in prayer at any point please drop me (Hannah Lamont) a message on 07742671108.

## Do you have green(ish) fingers?

We are looking for volunteers who might help us with some of the gardening tasks we have around our school site. Might you be available for a couple of hours one afternoon to help with this please? If you might be able to help please email [headteacher@holytrinity.merton.sch.uk](mailto:headteacher@holytrinity.merton.sch.uk). Thank you so much.

## HOTS Notices

### Autumn Disco: Tickets on Sale Now!

Friday October 18, 2024

Nursery/KS1 is 5:30-6:30, and KS2 is 6:45-8:00pm.

It's time to party! Join us for a fun-filled hour of dancing, treats and celebrating the arrival of Autumn! There will be cakes, sweets and drinks on sale as well as nail painting, tattoos, glow sticks and plenty more party delights! Children are welcome to wear fancy dress/costume but please do not bring any accessories/toy weapons!

Children must be supervised by a parent/carer or another adult. SPACE IS LIMITED in the hall, so we recommend 2-3 children attend with each adult. Please note that this event is only for current enrolled students of Holy Trinity School, and there is not enough space for younger siblings to attend. We are also looking for volunteers to assist. If you are able to help please feel free to register when purchasing tickets or email us at [hotsemail@gmail.com](mailto:hotsemail@gmail.com).

\* Buggies must be left outside

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

### Preloved Uniforms:

New stock has been recently added! Looking for a P.E. Kit? School Jumper? We have everything you might need from jumpers to backpacks to fleeces. Everything is very good quality and at very affordable prices.

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

### Follow us on Social Media:

Keep up to date with our activities via Facebook and Instagram!

Instagram: <https://www.instagram.com/hotsfriendsofholytrinity?igsh=MWJsMnZoY2hpMnNmZw==>

Facebook: <https://www.facebook.com/profile.php?id=61555943631216>

Any questions or comments please get in touch.

The HOTS Committee [hotsemail@gmail.com](mailto:hotsemail@gmail.com)



## Dyslexia Support

We have been made aware of this resource, which may be of use to our children with dyslexia.

<https://cademy.co.uk/screening4dyslexia/dyslexia-tips-tricks-strategies-to-support-learning-e923e23b>

## Transferring to Secondary School

Merton have produced the attached guidance for parents in Year 5/6 who might need support with secondary school application.

**A Place to Achieve  
REAL Success**



**R6**  
WIMBLEDON  
United in Excellence

**BOOK NOW**



**Open Evening:**  
Thursday 19 September 2024  
5pm — 7.30pm

**Open Mornings:**  
Thursday 26 & Friday 27  
September 2024  
9.00am — 10.30am



Welcome to Rutlish

**Ticketed Entry Only      OPEN EVENTS 2024      Ticketed Entry Only**



Welcome to Rutlish

Ofsted  
Outstanding  
Provider

Please visit our  
Website for  
Booking  
details.

[Rutlish School -  
Open Events](#)

Please only sign up  
to one event.



# Southfields Academy

## Open Events 2024



CARPE DIEM

*"Leaders are ambitious for all pupils... the curriculum content is well organised and taught by staff who have strong subject knowledge."*

*"Pupils and families appreciate this happy and welcoming school."*

*"Pupils behave calmly and sensibly in lessons... they are respectful to each other and their teachers."*

*Ofsted, April 2023*

Autumn Term 2024 Open Events	
Thursday 3 <sup>rd</sup> October	09:00-10:15
Tuesday 8 <sup>th</sup> October	09:00-10:15
Thursday 10 <sup>th</sup> October	17:30-19:30
Tuesday 15 <sup>th</sup> October	09:00-10:15
Tuesday 22 <sup>nd</sup> October	09:00-10:15
Wednesday 23 <sup>rd</sup> October	09:00-10:15
Thursday 24 <sup>th</sup> October	09:00-10:15

**At all other times, we welcome visits during the school day,  
please email: [sean.french@southfieldsacademy.com](mailto:sean.french@southfieldsacademy.com)  
or phone: 020 8875 2661**

## Education Wellbeing Service

### ADHD PARENT GROUP: 1-2-3 Magic Parents Webinar Group

For parents with primary school aged children who have been recently diagnosed or where ADHD is strongly suspected

Live Parent/Carer Webinars

Delivered by Senior Mental Health Professionals

- Parents of Primary school aged children.
- Understanding the ADHD brain
- Options for support including information about ADHD medication and alternatives from a CAMHS ADHD Nurse
- Parenting Strategies and Tools that can support your child's needs and reduce stress at home
- Awareness of support available in your local area

#### When & Where?

- Four weekly sessions online on Microsoft Teams (laptop/tablet recommended).
- Each session will last one hour and half. You would need to be able to attend all four sessions.
- Every Thursday from 7th of November to 28th of November. 10am to 11:30am
- Plus, a follow up session. Date/time to be confirmed.

Scan the QR code or follow the link to view further details and to sign-up

[CLICK HERE TO SIGN UP](#)

ADHD Parents Group Application  
Form: 1-2-3 Magic Parents of  
Merton (PrimaryAged)



## Siegeris Dance

### Holy Trinity Primary School

CLASSES FOR CHILDREN ROYAL ACADEMY  
of Dance Ballet Classes, Bi Annual Ballet Production.

AUTUMN TERM COMMENCES  
9th SEPTEMBER 2024

Classes Available:  
Monday: Adult Ballet

Tues - Thurs: Children's Ballet & Contemporary

Saturday: Children's Ballet

BOOK TRIAL: <https://siegerisdance.com/trial-class/>



#### Attachments

- Transition booklet

## TERM DATES

### Autumn Term 2024

First day: Monday 2 September 2024 (INSETS Monday 2<sup>nd</sup> and Tuesday 3<sup>rd</sup> September)

**Children start back Wednesday 4<sup>th</sup> September 2024**

Half term: Monday 28 October to Friday 1 November 2024

Last day Friday 20 December 2024

### Spring Term 2025

First day: Monday 6 January 2025 (INSET Monday 6<sup>th</sup> January 2025)

**Children start back Tuesday 7<sup>th</sup> January 2025**

Half term: Monday 17 February to Friday 21 February 2025

Last day: Friday 4 April 2025

### Summer Term 2025

First day: Tuesday 22 April 2025

Half term: Monday 26 May to Friday 30 May 2025 (INSET Monday 2<sup>nd</sup> June 2025)

**Children start back after half term Tuesday 3<sup>rd</sup> June 2025**

Last day: Tuesday 22 July 2025 (INSET Tuesday 22<sup>nd</sup> July 2025)

**Children break up Monday 21<sup>st</sup> July 2025.**

### Autumn Term 2025

First day: Monday 1 September 2025 (INSETS Monday 1<sup>st</sup> and Tuesday 2<sup>nd</sup> September)

**Children start back Wednesday 3<sup>rd</sup> 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 5<sup>th</sup> January)

**Children start back Tuesday 6<sup>th</sup> 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 1<sup>st</sup> June)

**Children start back after half term Tuesday 2<sup>nd</sup> June 2026**

Last day: Monday 20 July 2026 (INSET Monday 20<sup>th</sup> July)

**Children break up Friday 17<sup>th</sup> July 2026**

## Key Dates 2024-2025

Any new dates will be highlighted.

Date	Time	Event
30 <sup>th</sup> September		<b>Wear a touch of blue for Battersea</b>
1 <sup>st</sup> October	9.15	Harvest Service @ Church
17 <sup>th</sup> October	9.45-10.45	Reception Open Morning for entry in 2025
18 <sup>th</sup> October	8.15-8.45	Share My Learning – an opportunity for children to share their learning, and books, with their parents/carers
Sunday 20 <sup>th</sup> October	10.00	Schools Sunday @ Holy Trinity Church
21 <sup>st</sup> -24 <sup>th</sup> October		Parent/Teacher Meetings this week
25 <sup>th</sup> October		Break up for half term
4 <sup>th</sup> November		Autumn 2 begins
7 <sup>th</sup> November		Reception Open Morning for entry in 2025
11 <sup>th</sup> – 15 <sup>th</sup> November		Anti-bullying week
12 <sup>th</sup> November		School Eucharist @ school
28 <sup>th</sup> November	9.45-10.45	Reception Open Morning for entry in 2025
2 <sup>nd</sup> – 6 <sup>th</sup> December		Assessment week
6 <sup>th</sup> December	8.15-8.45	Share my Learning – an opportunity for children to share their learning, and books, with their parents/carers
10 <sup>th</sup> December	9.15	Reception Nativity
11 <sup>th</sup> December	9.15	Reception Nativity
12 <sup>th</sup> December	9.15	Year 2 Christmas show
13 <sup>th</sup> December	10.30/2.30	Nursery Nativity
16 <sup>th</sup> December	9.15	Year 1 Concert
17 <sup>th</sup> December	18.30	Year 3/5 Carol Service @ Holy Trinity Church

18 <sup>th</sup> December	18.30	Year 4/6 Carol Service @ Holy Trinity Church
20 <sup>th</sup> December	14.00	Break up
6 <sup>th</sup> January 2025		<b>INSET Day – School closed</b>
7 <sup>th</sup> January 2025		Spring 1 Term begins for all children
9 <sup>th</sup> January		Reception Open Morning for entry in 2025
14 <sup>th</sup> February		Break up for half term
24 <sup>th</sup> February		Spring 2 term begins
10 <sup>th</sup> – 21 <sup>st</sup> March		Assessment weeks
24 <sup>th</sup> – 28 <sup>th</sup> March		Year 6 in France
24 <sup>th</sup> March – 3 <sup>rd</sup> April		Parent/Teacher Meetings
28 <sup>th</sup> March	8.15-8.45	Nursery to Year 5 Share my Learning – an opportunity for children to share their learning, and books, with their parents/carers
4 <sup>th</sup> April	14.00	Break up for Easter holidays
Tuesday 22 <sup>nd</sup> April		Summer 1 term begins
25 <sup>th</sup> April	8.15-8.45	Year 6 Share my Learning – an opportunity for children to share their learning, and books, with their parents/carers
7 <sup>th</sup> – 9 <sup>th</sup> May		Year 4 PGL
12 <sup>th</sup> – 15 <sup>th</sup> May		Year 6 SATS
23 <sup>rd</sup> May	8.15-8.45	Share my Learning – an opportunity for children to share their learning, and books, with their parents/carers
23 <sup>rd</sup> May		Break up for half term
2 <sup>nd</sup> June		<b>INSET Day – School closed</b>
3 <sup>rd</sup> June		Summer 2 term begins
3 <sup>rd</sup> – 6 <sup>th</sup> June		Year 4 Multiplication Check Week
9 <sup>th</sup> – 13 <sup>th</sup> June		Assessment Week
9 <sup>th</sup> – 13 <sup>th</sup> June		Year 1 Phonics Screening Check Window
18 <sup>th</sup> July	8.15-9.00	Extended Share My Learning
21 <sup>st</sup> July	9.15 14.00	Leaver's Service @ Holy Trinity Church Term ends
22 <sup>nd</sup> July		<b>INSET Day – School closed</b>

I hope you have a good weekend.

Izzy Rickards

Headteacher