EASTER 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 am so proud of our pupils who have recently represented the school at both Sporting and other events. Yet again, our sports team last week, was awarded the RefSpect Award, voted for by other schools.



On Thursday morning, Daphne, her parents and our Art Lead Miss McHenry, attended the new City Hall in Canning Town, Newham for the 2024 Fourth Plinth Schools Awards ceremony. Daphne's entry was one of 2,500 submitted to the annual sculpture competition, and her sculpture, 'Let your mind grow wild!' was chosen as the winning entry for the whole of the London Borough of Merton!

The judge this year was Rankin, the world famous British photographer and director, and he, along with Justine Simons, the Deputy Mayor for Culture & the Creative Industries (who established the actual Fourth Plinth public sculpture prize), both presented the awards and prizes. Daphne's work, along with the other London borough winners, will be exhibited until the end of June in City Hall for many others to admire. Congratulations Daphne!



In French this week, Year 4 have been practising their conversation skills, looking at questions as well as the answers and using finger puppets to be different characters. The children enjoyed I think!



5H created monochrome pints of the houses that they sketched last week.

Another week in Nursery meant more Mystery Readers! This week Cecilia's mum read There's a Dragon in Your Book. There were lots of different actions we had to join in with to help the dragon. In the afternoon Luke's dad read us The Lorax, one that he remembers his dad reading to him when he was a child.



Parent Survey - We would love to hear your views on our school!

Our annual parent survey is going live today. 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: <u>https://forms.gle/7ck5iS5f7bTD8wRV7</u>

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

School Lunches

The children have enjoyed a variety of hot meals in school this week. We have taken photos of the food so that you can see what they have been eating! Just a quick reminder that all children from Reception to Year 6 are entitled to a free hot lunch every day. Vegetarian and halal meals are provided every day and we can also organise special diets for those with allergies.





Wednesday





Thursday







DONS Foodbank - Serving our community

We have teamed up with the Dons Local Action Group and will be taking part in the Friday Food Bank. Together we can make a difference. On the last Friday of each month we would appreciate it if you could send in one donation for the food bank. Closer to the time we will share a list of supplies they need.

The support you can offer will help towards creating food packages to send to families who need support or to go to the Wimbledon Food Bank so they can cook fresh hot meals.

The next collection date is Friday 24th May. Please watch this space for more information

Design and Technology Resources

Mrs Witting is looking for the following resources for Design and Technology topics this term. If you have any of the items and are willing to donate them, please send them in with your child to give to Mrs Witting.

- Fashion magazines
- Home and garden magazines
- Paint swatches/Paint shade cards
- Fabric samples/scraps
- Small carpet samples

Breakfast Club

This is a reminder that all children attending Breakfast Club **must** arrive by 8.00am. Any late arrivals will need to enter via the Faraday Gate when it opens at 8.30am. Thank you.

Trim Trail and Climbing Wall

Please remind your children that they are not to use these pieces of equipment before or after school. Thank you.

School Shoes

We have seen an increasing number of children just wearing trainers to school. Please remember that normal, sensible, black shoes must be worn at all times, unless your child is wearing their PE Uniform.

Free NHS Wellbeing Support:

Did you know that we have a free in-school NHS Wellbeing Service? They offer 1:1 cognitive behavioural therapybased sessions with parents to understand and help children struggling with common behavioural difficulties or anxiety and worries. Children can be involved in sessions too. You can read more and apply here: <u>https://forms.office.com/e/9hA10GNKqk</u>

HOTS NOTICES QUIZ NIGHT - Friday 17th May

We're delighted that the HOTs quiz is back for another year with our wonderful quiz host Gail! $\frac{1}{\sqrt{3}}$ Joins us for an evening packed full of fun including dinner, drinks and some healthy competition with prizes (and a trophy) up for grabs! Tickets are £20 each and include a sharing pizza dinner from Al Forno's. There will also be a bar selling drinks and snacks on the night. Please gather a team of up to 8 adults and purchase all your tickets at once to ensure you are on one table together. Doors open at school 7.30pm for a 8pm start. <u>https://www.pta-events.co.uk/hots/index.cfm?event=shop</u>

PRE-LOVED FOOTBALL KIT/UNIFORM

A reminder that if you have any pre-loved football kit at home please consider donating it to the children of Kibera, Kenya. This should be clean and age 7+. Donations of football kit or pre-loved uniform can be left with staff on the gate at drop off/pick up or at the school office. Pre-loved uniform is always available to buy online at: https://www.pta-events.co.uk/hots/index.cfm?event=products

HOTS AGM - Wednesday 22nd May

This will take place online on Wednesday 22nd May at 7.30pm. HOTs will provide a summary of the accounts and an overview of plans for the year ahead. It will also be an opportunity to ask questions about summer fair planning (more info next week on that!). Please save the date!



Stormbreak

Our school has joined up with Stormbreak Shine – a programme which parents/carers can use at home with their child/children. The pathways that Stormbreak Shine have are listed below, and they work through 6 short sessions each to give children strategies to follow to help them. If you would like more information, or would like us to sign you up to a pathway, please email headteacher@holytrinity.merton.sch



Stormbreak Shine support pathways

- Be Calm; Supporting early emerging anxiety
- Be Connected; Building positive relationships
- Be Focussed; Supporting attention needs
- Be Strengthened; Developing helpful coping skills
- Be Enough; Improving self worth
- Be Present; Promoting self care
- Be Resilient; Building better resilience
- Be Hopeful; Developing optimism.

Example Pathway Assignment Menu

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Wimbledon Tennis Family Ballot - opening soon!

Launched in 2023, the Family Ballot is working to increase access and provide more children, young people and families in Merton and Wandsworth with the opportunity to enjoy The Championships.

Entering the Family Ballot means that families can apply to purchase tickets for family groups (up to groups of 5) and enjoy world-class tennis on the No.I Court. This is a unique opportunity, as guests are typically limited to two tickets per household.

How the ballot works:

- Follow this link with parents: <u>https://familyballot.wimbledon.com/</u>
- Using the link, families will need to sign up to MyWimbledon and then will be eligible to apply for tickets.
- Please note this website and the Family Ballot will only be live from 10am on Monday 29 April until 11.59pm on Monday 13 May. All entries must be made during this window.

Important information:

- Successful families will have the opportunity to purchase tickets for No.1 Court on Finals Weekend (Saturday 13 and Sunday 14 July).
- Each ticket will be £50 in price.
- Unfortunately, ballot entry does not guarantee tickets.
- The initiative is designed to help more children to enjoy The Championships, so children (aged 5-16) must be part of the visiting group.
- Full Ticket Terms and Conditions for the Family Ballot can be found here.



Attached items:

None today

Term Dates 2023-2024

Summer Term 2024 First day: Monday 15th April 2024 Last day: Wednesday 24th July 2024 Half term: Monday 27th May to Friday 31st May 2024 (INSETs Monday 3rd June and Wednesday 24th July, so children return after half term on Tuesday 4th June 2024 and term ends Tuesday 23rd July 2024)

Term Dates 2024-2025

Autumn Term 2024

First day: Monday 2 September 2024 (INSETS Monday 2nd and Tuesday 3rd September) **Children start back Wednesday 4th 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 6th January 2025)

Children start back Tuesday 7th 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 2nd June 2025) **Children start back after half term Tuesday 3rd June 2025** Last day: Tuesday 22 July 2025 (INSET Tuesday 22nd July 2025) **Children break up Monday 21st July 2025.**

Term Dates 2025-2026

Autumn Term 2025 First day: Monday I September 2025 (INSETS Monday Ist 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

Key Dates for the Term (Any new dates added will be highlighted.)

Date	Time	Event
30 th April	9.00	Eucharist
Ist May	9.00	Coffee Morning hosted by the Educational Wellbeing Service on the topic of Managing Big
		Emotions – in school hall
2 nd May		Year 2 to Florence Nightingale Museum
		4H to British Museum
8 th – 10 th May		Year 4 PGL
9 th May	2.30-3.15	<i>Thy Kingdom Come</i> – an opportunity for parents/carers to come into school to visit a number of prayer stations to reflect and pray
13 th – 16 th May		Year 6 SATS
16 th May		4T to British Museum
20 th – 24 th May		Arts Week and postponed Lent Activities
24 th May	8.15-8.45	Share my Learning – an opportunity for children to share their learning, and books, with their
		parents/carers
24 th May		Break up for half term
3 rd June		INSET Day – School closed
4 th June		2 nd half of term begins
<mark>10th – 14th June</mark>		Year 4 Multiplication Check Week
10 th – 14 th June		Assessment Week
10 th – 14 th June		Year I Phonics Screening Check Window
24 th – 28 th June		Sports Week – Sports Days will be held this week. More details to follow.
24 th – 28 th June		Book Fair in school
29 th June		Summer Fair
l st – 5 th July		Reading/Book Week
10 th July	18.30	Year 6 Production
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17 th July		Reports out
19 th July	8.00-8.45	Extended Share My Learning
23 rd July	9.15	Leaver's Service @ Holy Trinity Church
	14.00	Term ends
24 th July		INSET Day – School closed

I hope you have a wonderful weekend. Izzy Rickards