

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

We are so proud of all of our children, but especially proud of our Year 6 pupils this week. They showed great resilience, attitude and determination as they took their end of KS2 SATS tests. Merton are required to complete unannounced visits to 10% of their schools, to check that all of the correct procedures are being followed. We had a monitoring visit on Monday, and I'm delighted to say that we passed with flying colours with very robust procedures in place!

I am so grateful to our fantastic parent/carer and Governor community who support us in so many ways. The Governors met last night to discuss finances, the new Education White Paper and Special Educational Needs and Disability Green paper and Ofsted! They will be conducting a Learning Walk next week, and are busy preparing for the forthcoming Parent Forum.

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@holytrinity.merton.sch.uk or catch me on the gate.



Year 3 learnt about 'Tints and Shades' in their Art lesson this week.



Reception have been exploring symmetry as part of their Minibeast topic.

Jubilee Celebrations



On **Friday 27th May**, we will be holding our Platinum Jubilee Children are invited to come to school dressed in red, white and blue clothes. In the morning we will be giving thanks to God for Queen Elizabeth II and we will share a picnic together in the afternoon – further details to follow about this.

Parent/Carer Forum – Save the Date

Thank you to everyone who has completed our Parent/Carer Survey. On **Wednesday 15th June**, the Governors will be holding a Parent/Carer Forum. This will be a further opportunity to discuss in more detail aspects from the survey. This will be a virtual event, in the evening. Further details to follow, but please save the date in your diary. Thank you.

Uniform Check

Over the next 2 weeks, we will be checking uniform as there have been a growing number of children not wearing the correct uniform (including Sport Uniform). Do look at our website for information about the correct uniform. <https://www.holytrinity.merton.sch.uk/web/uniform/320169>

We are aware of the financial pressures facing families. If you need financial assistance to purchase uniform, please email headteacher@holytrinity.merton.sch.uk (in confidence), and we will support you in any way that we can.

Sports Days

We would love to invite you to your child/children's Sports Day events. This year, these will be held in the school grounds. Please see the calendar at the end of this Bulletin for dates and timings.

Trim Trail

Please note that children are not allowed to play on the Trim Trail, before or after school. Thank you.

Piano, Guitar & Voice Lessons at School

Places are now available for piano, guitar and singing lessons at school via Merton Music Foundation starting as soon as next half-term. Spaces are limited and available on a first-come, first-served basis.

Visit: www.mmf.org.uk/lessons to find out more and sign up today.

HOTS notices

Book Corner Project

Thank you so much to everyone who has generously bought books for their classroom book corners. We have had so many new books flooding in - it is incredibly exciting and will really benefit everyone in the school. There are still books available on every list so please do consider buying one for your classroom!

[Miss Ade's Nursery Wishlist](#)

[Miss Smythe' Reception Owls Wishlist](#)

[Mrs Channel's Reception Robins Wishlist](#)

[Mr Skillern's Year 1 Foxes Wishlist](#)

[Miss Panners Year 1 Moles Wishlist](#)

[Miss Dorey's Year 2 Badgers Wishlist](#)

[Mrs. Niemann's Year 2 Squirrels Wishlist](#)

[Mrs Witting's Year 3H Wishlist](#)

[Miss Davies Year 3T Wishlist](#)

[Mrs Duke's Year 4H Wishlist](#)

[Miss McHenry's Year 4T Wishlist](#)

[Miss Poverello's Year 5H Wishlist](#)

[Mrs Raincock & Miss Brown's Year 5T Wishlist](#)

[Mrs Ottley's Year 6H Wishlist](#)

[Miss Thomas' Year 6T Wishlist](#)

HOTS AGM

Please join us for the HOTS AGM next **Wednesday 18th May at 7.30** in the school's small hall. This will be your opportunity to make your voice heard and learn more about how you can help with the school summer fair. Drinks will be provided! Please do come along and show your support.

Summer Fair

We are looking for 3-4 professional stall holders for the summer fair. Please contact HOTS if you know anyone on hotsemail@gmail.com

Preloved Uniform

Can you spare an hour of your time? We are grateful to everyone who has donated uniform to HOTS, but now we need help to organise it all for sale! We are not only raising funds for the school, but also send uniform to children of the Kibera Slum, Nairobi. the second-largest slum in the world.

If you can spare an hour please email Kirsty on hotsemail@gmail.com

For those wishing to buy uniform, we have summer dresses and boys shorts available now! <https://www.pta-events.co.uk/hots/>

Year 6 to Year 7 Transition Workshops

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>

Does your child struggle with eating certain foods?

Parents/carers are invited to attend a virtual ARFID **Avoidant/restrictive food intake disorder** training. Attached to this bulletin is a leaflet with more information. This training is for parents/carers of young people where eating is an issue – particularly in terms of supporting children who eating a limited range of foods and/or have a limited intake: [ARFID - Beat \(beateatingdisorders.org.uk\)](http://beateatingdisorders.org.uk)

Living With COVID

As you will know, the COVID guidance changed on 1st April 2022.

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

- 1) 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.

Attached items:

- ARFID (Avoidant/restrictive food intake disorder) training for parents

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 1 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 |
|---|-----------------------------|--|-------|
| 16 th May onwards | | Year 2 SATS | |
| 18 th May | | Year 6 to Chessington | |
| 18 th May | 7.30pm | HOTS AGM @ School | |
| 23 rd – 27 th May | | Assessment Week 1 | |
| 25 th May | | Music Festival Finals | |
| 27 th May | | Jubilee Celebrations – children invited to wear red/white/blue clothes to school 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 1 Phonics Screening Check Window Year 4 Timetables Check Window | |
| 13 th – 17 th June | | Assessment Week 2 | |
| 20 th – 24 th June | | Year 6 to France Book Week | |
| 24 th June | 2.00pm | Diversity Think Tank – more details to follow | |
| 2 nd July | | Summer Fair | |
| 4 th – 8 th July | | Sports Week | |
| 4 th July | 9.00-11.00am 1.00-3.00pm | Year 3 Sports Day Event Year 6 Sports Day Event | |
| 5 th July | 9.00-10.30am 1.00-3.00pm | Year 2 Sports Day Event Year 5 Sports Day Event | |
| 6 th July | 9.00-10.30am | Year 1 Sports Day Event | |
| 7 th July | 9.00-10.00am 1.00-3.00pm | Reception Sports Day Event Year 4 Sports Day Event | |
| 8 th July | 9.00-10.00am | Nursery AM Sports Day Event Nursery PM timing TBC | |
| 13 th /14 th July | 6.30pm | Year 6 Production | |
| 15 th July | | Reports out | |
| 19 th July | 8.00-8.45am | Extended Share My Learning – more details to follow | |
| 21 st July | 9.15 | Leaver's Service @ Holy Trinity Church | |
| 21 st July | 2.00pm | Term ends | |
| 22 nd July | | INSET Day – School closed | |

I hope you have a lovely weekend.

Izzy Rickards