

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

A huge thank you to the HOTS team, and everyone involved in raising money for our new Quiet Garden. We were able to officially open it this week, and the children are already enjoying using it at playtime and lunchtime. Alexis, who won the JLT design competition, formally cut the ribbon to open our garden. A prayer of blessing was said.



Our Reception children are now in school full-time – we are enjoying getting to know them. They have settled in amazingly well.



We are delighted to have been awarded the Green Eco-Schools flag, with distinction. Thank you to Miss Monte and the Eco-Warriors for all of their amazing work with this.

Parent/Carer Prayer Group

You're Invited! Join our parent/carers prayer group for Holy Trinity School. Our next meeting is after drop-off on Friday, 19th, for coffee and prayer. Come connect with fellow parents and join us in lifting our school up in prayer. For more info, contact Hannah Lamont at 07742671108. Hope to see you there! 🙏☕

European Day of Languages

On Friday 26th 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 over the next few weeks to read a story book to their child's class / another class in another language or simply talk about their culture.

Please do email Madame Poleviou (KS2 French teacher) to discuss further.
(anthia.poleviou@holytrinity.merton.sch.uk).



Your child is not giving you the 'silent treatment' after school.

They are often in a state of social and emotional depletion, needing quiet time to decompress before they are capable of reconnecting with you.

You greet them with a cheerful, "How was your day?" and you get a grunt, or silence.

You feel shut out, worried, or even annoyed.

The hard reality is this:

They have spent eight hours navigating complex social rules, academic pressures, and constant stimulation. Their social battery is at zero.

They are not rejecting you; they are retreating to a safe space to recharge.

Your home, and your quiet presence, is their charging station.

A child who is pressured to perform and recap the moment they get home learns that their need for quiet is an inconvenience.

This creates an adult who doesn't know how to honor their own need for rest, believing they must always be 'on' for others.

Instead of greeting them with a question, greet them with an offering. "It's so good to see you. There's a snack on the table when you're ready."

Give them space. The connection you crave will come, but it must wait until they have come back to themselves first.

Author: Arsalan Moin

Reasons why your child may not want to tell you much about school at the end of the day!

HOTs Updates

Quiet Garden Refurbishment:

This week the Quiet Garden was completed and opened for use for the children. This beautiful addition to the school will be enjoyed by countless children for years to come. Thank you to our community support for helping make this vision a reality!

Autumn Disco: Save the Date!

HOTs is happy to announce our first disco of the year on Friday, October 17th. Details and information to follow.

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>

Applying for Secondary School

Please see the attached PowerPoint presentation from Merton about the secondary school application process.



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We welcome prospective parents and pupils
for admission into Year 7 in September 2026 to our

OPEN EVENING

on
Thursday 25th September 2025
5pm - 8.00pm

The evening includes a comprehensive tour of the school with each family having their own dedicated pupil guide and a talk from the headteacher, Mr Laing.

Access to the headteacher's talk is only permitted with a valid ticket due to limited space. If you wish to attend the talk please select one of the times below. Tickets are limited to a Y5/6 child plus two others. Further information, including booking tickets, is available at www.wimbledoncollege.org.uk/openevents

Open Mornings:
For current Year 6 pupils only. By appointment only.
Monday 29th September – Wednesday 1st October 2025 at 9.00am

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Education Wellbeing Service Webinar

Goodbyes and Goodnights:

Building your child's confidence and independence

Does your child struggle to separate from you at the school gate?

Are you struggling to get them to sleep in their own bed?

Join us to explore thoughtful and practical ways to build your child's confidence and independence.



DATE / TIME

Monday 15th September
7.00-8.00pm



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Wednesday 17th September
1.00-2.00pm



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Education Wellbeing Service Webinar

Through The School Gates: Overcoming daily challenges getting into school

There can be many challenges with supporting your child to get into school well and in as relaxed a way as possible.

This webinar aims to:

Think about some of the different challenges that can be faced in the morning getting ready for school.

Understand child anxieties using cognitive-behavioural approach

Discuss ways to talk about worries

Provide a step-by-step approach to building confidence with attending school should there be early school avoidance to prevent it becoming problematic.



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Tuesday 30th September
12.00-1.00pm



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Please step out of your comfort zone and into a sleeping bag and join our Big Sleep Out 5 at AFC Wimbledon's Stadium on Saturday 8th November.

This annual event brings together schools, families, organisations and local residents together to raise awareness and vital funds for those experiencing poverty and hardship in South West London.

We are aiming for 50 schools to take part with at least two representatives from each (staff, parents or governors).

Why get Involved?

- Inspire your school community by leading with compassion and action
- Connect with other local schools and organisations
- Help raise funds for us continue our charitable work

Practical details

- Individuals or groups of up to 10 welcome.
- Tickets £20 per participant (includes breakfast and event costs)
- Fundraising target: £150 per person (a goal, not a requirement)

To register, please visit: <https://donslocalaction.enthuse.com/cf/the-big-sleep-out-5> and use the code **schools** for a discounted place of £10.

Attachments:

- Applying for Secondary School
- Library Newsletter

Term Dates 2025-2026

Autumn Term 2025

First day: Monday 1 September 2025 (INSETS Monday 1st 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

The 2026-2027 term dates will be confirmed soon.

Key Dates (Any new dates will be highlighted)

Date	Time	Event
18 th September	9.30	Reception Open Morning for entry in 2026
30 th September	9.15	Harvest Service @ Church
1 st – 3 rd October		Black History Workshops
16 th October	9.30	Reception Open Morning for entry in 2026
17 th October	8.15-8.45	Share My Learning – an opportunity for children to share their learning, and books, with their parents/carers
Sunday 19 th October	10.00	Schools Sunday @ Holy Trinity Church
20 th – 23 rd October		Parent/Teacher Meetings this week
24 th October		Break up for half term
3 rd November		Autumn 2 begins
6 th November		Reception Open Morning for entry in 2026
17 th – 21 st November		Anti-bullying week
November		School Eucharist @ school Date TBC
24 th – 28 th November		Assessment Week
27 th November	9.30	Reception Open Morning for entry in 2026
9 th December	9.15	Reception Nativity
10 th December	9.15	Reception Nativity
11 th December	9.15	Year 1 Concert
12 th December	9.15	Year 2 Concert (with orchestra)
16 th December	10.30/2.30	Nursery Nativity
16 th December	18.30	Year 3/5 Carol Service @ Holy Trinity Church
18 th December	18.30	Year 4/6 Carol Service @ Holy Trinity Church
19 th December	14.00	Break up
5 th January 2026		INSET Day – School closed
6 th January 2026		Spring 1 Term begins for all children
8 th January		Reception Open Morning for entry in 2026
19 th – 23 rd January		Science Week
10 th February		Safer Internet Day
13 th February		Break up for half term
23 th February		Spring 2 term begins
23 rd – 27 th February		3H Swimming
2 nd – 6 th March		Book Week including World Book Day 6 th March
2 nd – 13 th March		Assessment weeks
9 th – 13 th March		3T Swimming
16 th – 20 th March		
20 th March	8.15-8.45	Share My Learning – an opportunity for children to share their learning, and books, with their parents/carers
23 rd – 27 th March		Year 6 in France
27 th March	14.00	Break up for Easter
13 th April		Summer 1 starts
13 th – 16 th April		Parent/Teacher Meetings
20 th – 24 th April		Art Week
22 nd April		Earth Day
6 th – 8 th May		Year 4 PGL
11 th – 14 th May		Year 6 SATS
21 st May		Cultural Day
22 nd May	8.15-8.45	Share my Learning – an opportunity for children to share their learning, and books, with their parents/carers
22 nd May		Break up for half term
1 st June		INSET Day – School closed
2 nd June		Summer 2 term begins
2 nd – 5 th June		Sports Week
2 nd – 5 th June		Year 4 Multiplication Check Week
15 th – 19 th June		Assessment Week
8 th – 12 th June		Year 1 Phonics Screening Check Window
13 th July		DT Day
17 th July	8.15-9.00	Extended Share My Learning
17 th July	9.30	Leaver's Service @ Holy Trinity Church
	14.00	Term ends
20 th July		INSET Day

Have a wonderful weekend.

Izzy Rickards

Headteacher