

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

Thank you to the many families who came to our *Share My Learning* session this morning. It is always a delight to see the children proudly sharing their work with their families. Thank you, in advance, to the HOTS team for organising the disco tonight – there were many excited children at school today!

I look forward to seeing you at the Schools Sunday Service at church on Sunday.



Today we marked Developmental Language Disorder Day by having a PENS DOWN FRIDAY! We completed activities and tasks without ANY WRITING! The idea is to allow us all to focus on how we use, understand and need spoken language in our daily lives. DLD is a very common but under diagnosed condition, affecting 2 pupils per class on average. It is a part of the neurodiversity spectrum. It can be difficult to identify and is often hidden. DLD is related to how we understand language (receptive language skills) and how we are able to use language to express ourselves (expressive language skills). To help someone with these difficulties we can slow down our speech, choose our language carefully, use concise, unambiguous phrases and allow others time to process what they have heard and to formulate their response.

Across the world today over 100 landmarks will be lit up in yellow and purple to highlight that DLD affects people worldwide, in every language and every country. For further information please check out the RADLD website: <https://radld.org/dld-awareness-day/>



Mrs Poleviou ran a very successful Greek Taster session last week. The children ran through the Greek alphabet and made a bookmark using the Greek letters (with their sounds) to spell their names. A special well done to Andreas who helped Mrs Poleviou run the session and was so great at helping the other children.



Year 2 made Bug Hotels this week in Science, as they learnt about microhabitats.



Year 3 went back in time to create their very own cave paintings!



These are just a few of the amazing artworks some of the KS2 children created to enter the exhibition run by Young Wimbledon Artists, Wimbledon Museum and the Wimbledon Royal British Legion. We have some talented and inspired children! We will find out soon which pieces will be in the actual exhibition which starts on November 11th.



Year 2 made jam sandwiches today for no writing day, linked to their instruction writing unit.



Year 4 discovered the Iron Man which had fallen off a cliff onto the playground on Friday! They will be using 'The Iron Man' by Ted Hughes in English lessons for the next few weeks so we thought they had better see

Schools Sunday – Sunday 20th October, 10am @ Holy Trinity Church

We encourage as many children and families as possible to come to the special Schools' Sunday service at Holy Trinity Church on Sunday 20th October at 10am. Children do not need to wear their school uniform. The choir will be singing, so we would certainly ask that as many choir members as possible attend. Even if your child is not in the choir, they would be welcome to sing along too. The children will be singing *The Lord's My Shepherd* (Stuart Townend version), do click on the link to practise at home <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=pN4tPkX0MG0>

Secondary School Applications – Year 6 parents/carers

Merton have asked us to remind you that the applications for secondary schools, for entry in September 2025, need to be completed by 31st October 2024. Do email headteacher@holyltrinity.merton.sch.uk if you need any support with this. The applications can be completed via the following website: <https://www.merton.gov.uk/education-and-learning/schools/admissions/secondary>

Christmas Card Ordering

REMINDER! If you would like to order some cards, wrapping paper, labels, bags or mugs from APFS, you must order before midnight on the 23rd October otherwise you will incur additional postage charges. The items will be delivered to your child in the week commencing 11th November.

Thank you,
Miss McHenry

Anti-Bullying Week Preparation – Odd Socks Design Competition

In preparation for our Anti-Bullying Week, we are holding an Odd Socks Design Competition. Have a go during half term, at designing a pair of socks on the theme of *Choosing Respect*. You can use this template.

Design a pair of odd socks.
Can you include this year's theme?
'Choose Respect'



Name:

Class:



 

HANDEL MESSIAH

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SATURDAY 23RD NOVEMBER 2024 19:30
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TICKETS: £55, £40, £15
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Joshua, one of our Year 4 pupils, will be singing with the Platinum Choristers at this performance of Handel's Messiah. Well done Joshua!



Education Wellbeing Service Webinar

Supporting Big Emotions at Home & School- The Zones of Regulation

The Primary Years are a time of rapid development and huge change; it is also a time where emotions can be expressed and experienced in many different ways.

This free session for parents of primary school children in South London schools looks at Emotion Regulation skills and strategies.

DATE / TIME

Tuesday 12th November 7.30-8.30 pm

Thursday 14th November 13.00-2.0 pm

LOCATION

Online - Hosted on Teams

Sign up to this event for free on Eventbrite (and check out our others!) by scanning the QR Code or following the link below:

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TERM DATES

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.

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

Key Dates 2024-2025

Any new dates will be highlighted.

Date	Time	Event
Sunday 20 th October	10.00	Schools Sunday @ Holy Trinity Church
21 st -24 th October		Parent/Teacher Meetings this week
25 th October		Break up for half term
4 th November		Autumn 2 begins
7 th November		Reception Open Morning for entry in 2025
11 th – 15 th November		Anti-bullying week
12 th November		School Eucharist @ school
18 th November		Flu Vaccinations for children (only for those whose parents/carers have given consent)
28 th November	9.45-10.45	Reception Open Morning for entry in 2025
2 nd – 6 th December		Assessment week
6 th December	8.15-8.45	Share my Learning – an opportunity for children to share their learning, and books, with their parents/carers
10 th December	9.15	Reception Nativity
11 th December	9.15	Reception Nativity
12 th December	9.15	Year 2 Christmas show
12 th December		Christmas Jumper Day – children are invited to wear a festive jumper/top, together with their usual uniform bottom half.
13 th December	10.30/2.30	Nursery Nativity
16 th December	9.15	Year 1 Concert
17 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
20 th December	14.00	Break up
6 th January 2025		INSET Day – School closed
7 th January 2025		Spring 1 Term begins for all children
9 th January		Reception Open Morning for entry in 2025
14 th February		Break up for half term
24 th February		Spring 2 term begins
10 th – 21 st March		Assessment weeks
24 th – 28 th March		Year 6 in France
24 th March – 3 rd April		Parent/Teacher Meetings
28 th 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 th April	14.00	Break up for Easter holidays
Tuesday 22 nd April		Summer 1 term begins
25 th 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 th – 9 th May		Year 4 PGL
12 th – 15 th May		Year 6 SATS
23 rd May	8.15-8.45	Share my Learning – an opportunity for children to share their learning, and books, with their parents/carers
23 rd May		Break up for half term
2 nd June		INSET Day – School closed
3 rd June		Summer 2 term begins
3 rd – 6 th June		Year 4 Multiplication Check Week
9 th – 13 th June		Assessment Week
9 th – 13 th June		Year 1 Phonics Screening Check Window
18 th July	8.15-9.00	Extended Share My Learning
21 st July	9.15 14.00	Leaver's Service @ Holy Trinity Church Term ends
22 nd July		INSET Day – School closed

I hope you have a good weekend.

Izzy Rickards

Headteacher