

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 have had a good first week back after half term, with the children engaging well with their learning. We are looking forward to celebrating the Eucharist on Tuesday and holding a time of remembrance on Monday.



Our nursery children worked together to create this fantastic poppy for Remembrance Day.



Some of our KS2 children represented our school brilliantly at Merton's Panathlon this week. They came second and proudly returned to school with their medals, a trophy and a certificate. Well done – we are so proud of you all.

Parent Governor Nominations

One of our parent governors is ending their role as governor at the end of this term. We would welcome nominations from parents who would be willing to serve the school community as a governor. If you would like to be nominated please complete the attached nomination form, which will need to be returned by midday on Friday 29th November 2024. Elections will then be held in December.

If you would like to find out more about the role of a governor please email our Co-Chair of Governors, Natasha Grande or Grace Walder, at governors@holytrinity.merton.sch.uk

Morning Drop and Go

Thank you so much for your support with this. There are still a few parents chatting to children in the line, or waiting very close to the lines. Please do consider saying goodbye and then vacating the playground/astro turf, as this really helps all of the children to settle in quickly. Thank you.

French-speaking Partner School

We are looking to partner with a French-speaking school in another country. If you have any links or know of a school, please do email me at headteacher@holyltrinity.merton.sch.uk

Anti-Bullying Week 11-15th November – Odd Socks Day and Design Competition

Children are welcome to wear **odd socks** to school on **Tuesday 12th November**.

It is not too late to enter our Odd Socks competition term.

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



Name:

Class:

Calling all Year 1 to 6 Mathematicians

Don't forget to take part in this year's Maths Week Sumdog Contest. Good Luck!

www.sumdog.com/



HOTS Notices

Christmas Carol Event:

Saturday, December 7th (3:30-5:30pm)

Join us for a festive evening as we kick off the Christmas season with our Christmas Carol event. It's a wonderful opportunity to bring our community together to enjoy music, a glass of mulled wine, mince pies, and crafts for children to participate in. More information and details to come. We look forward to seeing everyone there!

Order Christmas Carol Tickets: <https://www.pta-events.co.uk/hots/index.cfm?event=event&eventId=88532>

Panettone from Vallebona:

Traditional and chocolate panettone from Vallebona are now available to order from HOTS online shop. These come in a stylish box and are perfect to give as a gift or enjoy yourself! Every purchase makes money for our school so treat yourself to a delicious treat this holiday season! Deadline to order is November 15th.

Order Panettone: <https://www.pta-events.co.uk/hots/index.cfm?event=event&eventId=88412&isProductGroup=1>

Christmas Trees:

Christmas Trees are also available to order online via the HOTS website in various sizes. These beautiful Nordman fir trees can be collected December 7th. Deadline to order is Friday, November 29th.

Order Christmas Trees: <https://www.pta-events.co.uk/hots/index.cfm?event=event&eventId=88413&isProductGroup=true>

Social Media:

Stay up to date on the latest news and information from HOTS through our social media pages!

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

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



New event: Conversations with the Leader of the Council

Join Merton Council for an engaging event where you'll have the opportunity to chat with the Leader of Merton Council, Councillor Ross Garrod and Deputy Leader, Councillor Eleanor Stringer.

This event is the first of its kind in Merton, and it's your chance to ask questions, share your thoughts, and connect with the leadership of the council, in a relaxed setting.

Attendees can submit their questions in advance – follow the registration link to do this.

Ways to get involved:

Book your place to secure a spot in person: <https://www.eventbrite.co.uk/e/conversations-with-the-leader-of-merton-council-in-person-tickets-1056533743869>

Or register to attend remotely online: <https://www.eventbrite.co.uk/e/conversations-with-the-leader-of-the-council-online-tickets-1067225402909>

🕒 Tuesday 12 November 7pm 📍 Vestry Hall, Mitcham 💎 FREE, but booking is essential



CRIB NOTES CHOIR IS COMING TO WIMBLEDON!!
Join us in **South Park Gardens Pavilion** on **Tuesdays from 11.15 - 12.15, from Tuesday 7th January 2025!**

Balham, Beckenham, Crystal Palace, Wimbledon

cribnoteschoir@gmail.com
www.cribnoteschoir.co.uk

Do something good for you - **COME AND SING!**

- Enhance your wellbeing
- Meet other local parents
- Sing pop, world, folk music - no nursery rhymes!
- Bring baby along for bonus musical benefits



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No singing experience needed - bring your little one along and have some fun!

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:

[Click here to book](#)



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Education Wellbeing Service

Taller en línea

UNA INTRODUCCIÓN A LA SALUD MENTAL DE LOS NIÑOS DE PRIMARIA

Este taller introductorio ayudará a padres y cuidadores a reconocer señales tempranas de ansiedad, estrés y problemas de comportamiento en los primeros años de primaria. Los participantes aprenderán a reconocer y diferenciar entre comportamientos normales y aquellos que pueden necesitar apoyo adicional, además de conocer los recursos disponibles para ayudar a los niños en su bienestar emocional y social.



FECHA Y HORA

Martes 26th Noviembre
1.00-2.00 pm / 7.00-8.00 pm

UBICACIÓN:

En línea a través de Microsoft Teams

"Regístrate para este evento de forma gratuita en Eventbrite escaneando el código QR o siguiendo el enlace a continuación:"

[Haz clic aquí para reservar](#)



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Starting
6 November

LEARN SPANISH

Si!

Learn a new language! Have fun learning Spanish, and about Spanish culture with a library volunteer.

**Wimbledon Library
Children's Spanish Club**

Wednesdays 4.30pm

Ages 7-11

Hola!
Gracias!

Booking required to guarantee a space:
www.merton.gov.uk/libraryevents




LONDON BOROUGH OF
MERTON

www.merton.gov.uk/libraries

Merton Short Breaks Consultation (Phase 2)

with *Clare Devane*, Merton's Head of Service, Transformation Programmes, *Allison Jones*, Head of Early Years, Family Wellbeing and Early Help, *Christina Pace*, Director for Strategy, Commissioning and Partnerships & *Jo Ross*, Head of Family Support and Safeguarding Children, Lifelong Learning and Families Department

Following the first stage of Merton's Short Breaks Consultation during July & September, Clare, Allison, Christina and Jo, will be presenting Merton's proposals for the Short Breaks offer from September 2025.

Short breaks are part of a range of services that support children & young people with disabilities, & their families. They are hugely beneficial as they give children & young people the chance to take part in fun activities & develop new interests, relationships, & greater independence, whilst at the same time giving parents & carers a break from their caring responsibilities. They can happen in the evening, after school, weekends, school holidays or overnight depending on the needs of your child.

This is your chance to tell Merton what you think of the proposals & have your say to improve this valuable & much needed service for you & other SEND children, young people & their families.
Your views will help inform Merton's short breaks offer from September 2025 onwards, so don't miss this opportunity to get your voice heard! Book your place now!

Thursday 14 November
10am to 12pm IN-PERSON
6 to 7:30pm ONLINE
You only need to attend 1 meeting

Join the online meeting – register here: <https://bit.ly/3Aj5QYw>
Join the in-person meeting via text/phone/email:
kf.admin@mertonmencap.org.uk / 07929 670645 / 020 3963 0597

THESE SESSIONS ARE FOR PARENT CARERS ONLY

✓ For more information or to register with Kids First / Adults First and receive news of all our events, just ring 020 3963 0597 or email kf.admin@mertonmencap.org.uk

THE PRODUCE
FARMERS' & CRAFT MARKET
WIMBLEDON

WIN PRIZES
SCAVENGER HUNT

SATURDAY 9TH NOVEMBER
10AM - 3PM

Keep the kids entertained as you shop and indulge
Pick up a clue sheet and see what you can find as you browse.
All completed entries receive a small treat,
and will be entered into our prize draw to win
ODEON cinema tickets,
Tickets for OXYGEN activity play *Cryston*
Pizza made by "End of the World pizzas"
A fabulous MARKET HAMPER.

- LOCAL PRODUCE
- HOME MADE CRAFTS
- DANCE PERFORMANCE
- BBQ FOOD
- DRINKS
- KIDS' TREATS

ALL WELCOME | FREE ENTRY

NEXT MARKET
SAT 14TH DECEMBER

The Fulham Palace Festive Light Display

28th November to 22nd December.
5.00pm - 9.00pm
FULHAM PALACE

www.londonilluminatedlights.co.uk



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
11 th – 15 th November		Anti-bullying week
12 th November		Odd Socks Day – children are welcome to come to school wearing odd socks as a sign of our wonderful differences.
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 wonderful weekend.

Izzy Rickards
Headteacher