

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

What a wonderfully rich week it has been with our Book Week and World Book Day (thank you for the brilliant costumes), Shrove Tuesday and a number of sporting events. Thank you for your incredible support.

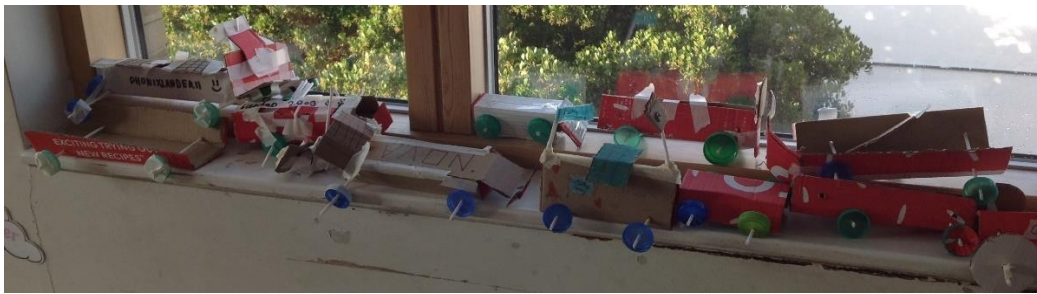
Our House Captains are busy planning the Lent Appeal 2025. Do take a look at the Parentmail sent today, giving more information.

At the start of Lent, let's take time to reflect, think of others, and prepare for the Easter period.

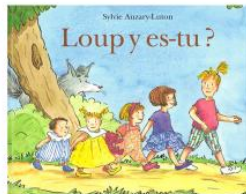


To mark Shrove Tuesday, our Reception children made pancakes – yummy!





Year 5 celebrated Mars Day on Tuesday as part of their English unit and listened to many exciting technological advances that are coming in the private space sector. They had the opportunity to listen to astronaut Tim Peake and learned about a prototype arm used on a Mars Rover.



World Book Day
2025



In French this week our KS2 children have been reading books in French, to celebrate our Book Week, and World Book Day.



Year 5 practised their French speaking skills by role playing a café visit in French last week. Mrs Poleviou was impressed with their speaking and their enthusiasm!



As part of their Explorer topic about Neil Armstrong, Year 1 made their own rockets.

World Book Day Fun



Online Safety Thought of the Week



HOTs Announcements

Help Us Support World Book Day at Holy Trinity CofE Primary!

Books open the doors to a world of imagination, knowledge, and help grow a child's future. With your generosity, we can help add to our school's growing collection of books and resources. Below are links to Amazon Wish lists set up by our teachers for each year group.

Thank you for your contributions and support!

Nurse:

https://www.amazon.co.uk/hz/wishlist/ls/2XL7OMLODSBIB?ref_=wl_share

Reception:

https://www.amazon.co.uk/hz/wishlist/ls/2OKQ00BD2H9Z?ref_=wl_share

Year 1: Moles

https://www.amazon.co.uk/hz/wishlist/ls/2ZACWYO9N3RZU?ref_=wl_share

Year 1: Foxes

https://www.amazon.co.uk/hz/wishlist/ls/2Y2O6DXIEAMPK?ref_=wl_share

Year 2:

https://www.amazon.co.uk/hz/wishlist/ls/10C5D7E4NIDRH?ref_=wl_share

Year 3:

https://www.amazon.co.uk/hz/wishlist/ls/8JXCKFB87Z7S?ref_=wl_share

Year 4:

https://www.amazon.co.uk/hz/wishlist/ls/2L73R9XMOP5SS?ref_=wl_share

Year 5:

https://www.amazon.co.uk/hz/wishlist/ls/3AP89LXIKJYG4?ref_=wl_share

Year 6:

https://www.amazon.co.uk/hz/wishlist/ls/20IIVOPNH0G55?ref_=wl_share

Spring Disco: Tickets on sale now!

Friday, March 21st

EYS & KSI 5:30-6:30

KS2: 6:45-8pm

Join us for a fun-filled night of dancing, treats and celebrating the arrival of Spring! There will be cakes, sweets and drinks on sale as well as nail painting, tattoos, new glow items and plenty more party delights! This year's event will be fundraising to revamp the school's Quiet Garden. This beautiful area provides opportunities for our students to enjoy nature, and outdoor tranquillity.

Children must be supervised by a parent/carer or another adult, but **SPACE IS LIMITED** in the hall, so we recommend 2-3 children per adult. Please note that this event is only for enrolled children of Holy Trinity School and there is not enough space for younger siblings to also attend. Thank you for your support. If you have any queries, please contact HOTS on hotsemail@gmail.com
<https://www.pta-events.co.uk/hots/index.cfm?event=shop>

Save The Date!

Quiz Night: April 25th

Summer Fair: June 28th

Petition from pupils at Bishop Gilpin

At the end of last year, a group of year 5 students, headed up by Gabriel and Thomas started to raise awareness and a petition they created against the redevelopment of Wimbledon Park. Many children and many teachers at Bishop Gilpin have signed the petition, and now due to requests, the friends and families are now able to also sign it. This is written by children and the questions reflect that, it is our chance to add our voice to the many locals who are not happy with the 32 new tennis courts and 8,000 seater stadium which AELTEC are relentlessly pursuing in one of these last green spaces in our very busy borough. This will be shared with Save Wimbledon Park in March, so please don't delay!

https://docs.google.com/forms/d/1UGOo8YRUT-FSfdK0wT3RgY29UXws2FEfoTaxYvTj5w/viewform?ts=67bf58a2&edit_requested=true

Educational Wellbeing Service

Struggling sometimes with your child's behaviour or big emotions at home? Want to improve your relationship with your child? Or does your child have fears and worries that can make things difficult for them? This could be struggling to leave your side or join clubs, finding bedtimes tough, a phobia or not feeling confident. Get some early professional 1:1 advice, help or support from our in-school Education Wellbeing Service. Find out more and apply here: <https://forms.office.com/e/9hA10GNKqk>. 95% of parents made progress with their goals in 2023-24.



The poster is titled "Education Wellbeing Service" and features the NHS logo at the top left. It includes a QR code for more information and a YouTube icon for recorded workshops. The text describes the service's mission and offers three main programs: "Advice, Help and Support", "Local Primary Parent Webinars", and "Recorded Workshops, Groups and Workshops".

Education Wellbeing Service

We work in your child's school to provide friendly and accessible professional advice, help and programs to promote child wellbeing

What do we offer?

1:1 Advice, Help and Support

Early and preventative evidence-based wellbeing programs your child's:

- Common fears and worries or
- Tricky or challenging behavior and emotions

For more information, apply here or speak to your school's mental health lead for a paper form

Local Primary Parent Webinars

Free NHS evening and lunchtime webinars for parents on a number of wellbeing related topics throughout the year.

99% of parents recommended the webinars last year. Sign up using the QR code

Recorded Workshops, Groups and Workshops

We also offer workshops and groups for children and parents in school. See our youtube channel for more resources and recorded workshops:  **YouTube**

 **Picture this poster**



Talk Autism is a forum for parents and carers of children, young people and adults with autism.

Next event
Monday 10 March 2025 10am – 12pm

Location: Church Road Children Centre
243 Church Road, Mitcham
CR4 3BH

Merton Autism Outreach Service
which will be delivered by Mel Kew Outreach support worker

Merton Autism Outreach Service is a Merton service based at Cricket Green School, which provides support for kids with social & communication difficulties in mainstream settings. MAOS works in an advisory role with schools supporting staff in developing their understanding of ASD and sharing tools and strategies to enable pupils to access learning and social opportunities. They provide resources and support to families and carers.

The workshop will comprise: Information about the following

- ✓ The service supports staff in schools throughout Merton to develop an understanding of autistic children and those with social communication differences.
- ✓ Working in an advisory role to share tools and strategies to enable children to access learning and social opportunities.
- ✓ MAOS are also licenced and run frequent parent support programmes for the NAS. This includes Early Bird, Early Bird plus and Teen Life.
- ✓ Questions and answer session

The session is appropriate to parents and carers of children, young people or adults with autism.

Register now to attend this free session by contacting Maria Solari|

By email: meps.coordinator@mertonmencap.org.uk
Phone: 07709 715206

Don't miss out on this update all about changes in Merton in regards to SEND.
Ask Elizabeth Fitzpatrick, Director of Education and Early Help, your questions, share your thoughts & experience
and also hear from other parents.

Click the link to book your place today: <https://bit.ly/3EOhAnR> .

Friday 14 March, 10am to 12pm (in person meeting)

SEND Update

With Elizabeth Fitzpatrick, Director of Education and Early Help

A great opportunity to hear the latest information from senior officers in Merton and ask your questions!

Register now to secure your place!

This session is aimed at parents or family carers of children and young people (aged 0-25 years) with disabilities or special needs who live in or are schooled in Merton.



TERM DATES

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.

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

Key Dates 2024-2025

Any new dates will be highlighted.

Date	Time	Event
10 th – 21 st March		Assessment weeks
21 st March	Evening	HOTS Spring Disco
24 th – 28 th March		Year 6 in France
24 th – 28 th March		Science Week including Dress-Up Day on Friday 28 th March – children are invited to come dressed in anything linked to science!
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
28 th March		Science Week Dress-Up Day on Friday 28 th March – children are invited to come dressed in anything linked to science!
31st March		Mini-Market – Lent Appeal 2025
1 st April	9.15	Easter Service @ Holy Trinity Church
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
25 th April	19.30	HOTS Quiz Night for 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
23 rd – 27 th June		Sports Week
23 rd June	AM PM	Year 3 Sports Day Year 2 Sports Day
24 th June	AM PM	Year 4 Sports Day Nursery (PM and Full-time)
25 th June	AM PM	Year 5 Sports Day Reception Sports Day
26 th June	AM PM	Year 6 Sports Day Year 1 Sports Day
27 th June	AM	Nursery (AM and Full-time)
28 th June		Summer Fair
8 th & 9 th July		Year 6 Production Times TBC
16 th July		Music Festival
16 th July		Reports out
18 th July	8.15-9.00	Extended Share My Learning
18 th July	9.30	Leaver's Service @ Holy Trinity Church (due to a clash of bookings at church it has become necessary to move our Leavers' Service)
21 st July	14.00	Term ends
22 nd July		INSET Day – School closed

I hope you have a wonderful weekend.

Izzy Rickards

Headteacher