

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 Miss Neil-Smith and to all of our children who attended Merton Citizen's Celebration Event at Holy Trinity Church last night. The children sang with such joy and enthusiasm – I was very proud of them.

Do take a look at <https://www.citizensuk.org/chapters/south-london/merton-citizens/> for more information about the brilliant work that this organisation does in the local community.



As we approach the period of Lent, starting next week, let's take a moment to reflect on Jesus' time in the wilderness, and how he relied totally on God. Maybe think about giving something up, or taking something on. The following link gives some useful ideas that you could do as a family:

<https://www.stewardship.org.uk/40acts>



Our Nursery children have been on an exciting learning journey, exploring the continents of the world! This week, they focused on Europe and showcased their creativity by producing beautiful Mondrian-inspired artwork.

Book Week 3rd March - 7th March 2025

This year Holy Trinity will be celebrating book week alongside national World Book Day to celebrate the joy of reading and books!

Poetry

This year's theme is Poetry - we will be exploring a range of different poems from several different poets and engage in the excitement of performing poetry. Each year group will have a week of reading lessons based on poetry. **Poetry is for everyone!**

Competitions

POETRY WRITING

EMBRACE YOUR INNER MICHAEL ROSEN!

Write a poem of **100 words or less**, your poem can be about anything you like. Entries handed to Miss Davies by **Monday 31st March**. Prizes for EYFS, KS1 and KS2!

WBD BOOK TOKEN DESIGN

National Book Tokens, are inviting children of all ages to share their creativity - and their love for books and reading - by designing their own fabulous gift cards. A **template is available from Miss Davies and each class learning platform page**. This competition is for all ages with 2 categories' being up to 8 years old and 9-12 year olds. **Deadline 31st March 2025**.

World Book Day

World Book Day 2025 will take place on **Thursday 6 March 2025**. This annual celebration of authors, illustrators, books and the joy of reading

Visit the official WBD website for more information:

World Book Day

Activities and advice for sharing stories together as a family not just on World Book Day, but every day of the year.

World Book Day

www.worldbookday.com



Every child in school will be given a **£1 Book Token** which can be used towards a new book or one of the special World Book Day £1 books - making the book free! These books are available in most supermarkets and bookshops!

Your paragraph text

Dress Up Day

on Thursday 6th March the whole country will be dressing up to celebrate World Book Day!

We invite all children to dress up to celebrate reading and the wonder of books.

We will be inviting children (and adults!) to dress up in a book/reading themed costume.

We would like to remind parents and carers that there is no expectation to dress up for the occasion, and we encourage hand-made costumes!

In support of

WORLD
BOOK
DAY

Holy
Trinity
Book Week
2025

3rd March - 7th March
2025

Holy Trinity Book Week 2025 Reading list

Owl and the Pussycat

Poems to Perform

Poems Aloud

Yapping Away



Carol Ann Duffy: New and Collected Poems for Children

Michael Rosen's A-Z

Bright Bursts of Colour

Caribbean Dozen

Talking Turkeys

Funky Chickens

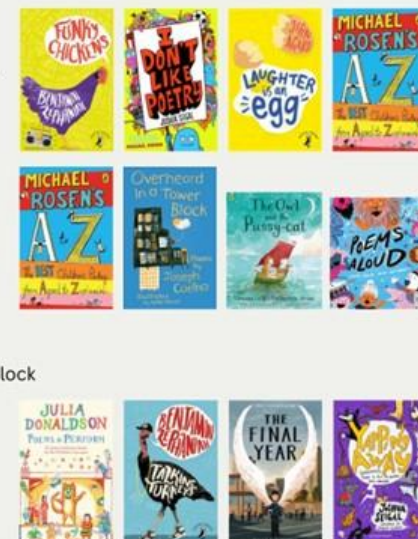
Laughter is an Egg

I Don't Like Poetry

Overheard in a Tower Block

Cloud Busting

The Final Year



Design a National Book Token Competition 2025

Time for children to get creative and DESIGN A NATIONAL BOOK TOKEN for our annual competition! Our sponsors, National Book Tokens, are inviting children of all ages to share their creativity – and their love for books and reading – by designing their own fabulous gift cards.

Six winning entrants will bag HUNDREDS of pounds worth of National Book Tokens for their schools and themselves – find out more below!

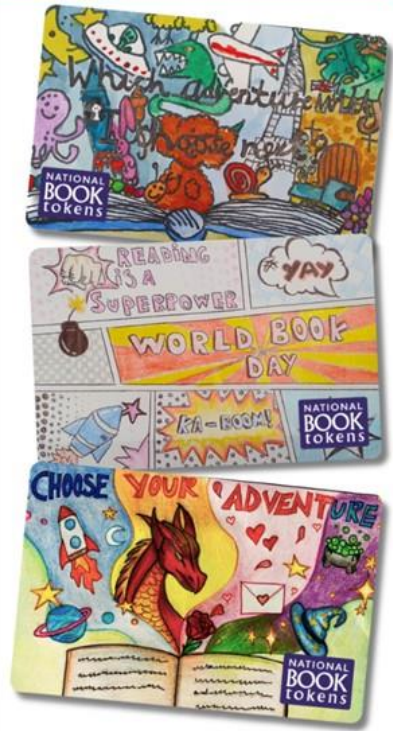
PRIZES

ONE OVERALL WINNER (chosen from the first prize winners in each category) will receive a £10/€12 National Book Tokens gift card in their design for every child in their class,* and the opportunity for their class to visit a real bookshop, virtually or in person, to spend their National Book Tokens.



Scan the QR Code or click this image to find out more and download a template.

Entries can be sent directly to following the details through the link or by handing then entry to Miss Davies before **Friday 31st March 2025**.



WORLD BOOK DAY
6 MARCH 2025

READ YOUR WAY

THIS WORLD BOOK DAY

6 MARCH 2025

FEATURED BOOKS

At least 100 and 5000+ children signed up to the book tokens gift card campaign by the deadline to be eligible to win prizes.

Ladder game available for free on the National Book Tokens website.

EARLY READERS

At least 100 and 5000+ children signed up to the book tokens gift card campaign by the deadline to be eligible to win prizes.

The Pokémon app will be available for free on the National Book Tokens website by 4 February.

FLUENT READERS

At least 100 and 5000+ children signed up to the book tokens gift card campaign by the deadline to be eligible to win prizes.

The World Book Day app will be available for free on the National Book Tokens website by 4 February.

Choose a World Book Day book for FREE with your £1/ €1.50 book token.

Books available in shops from 13 February until 23 March 2025.

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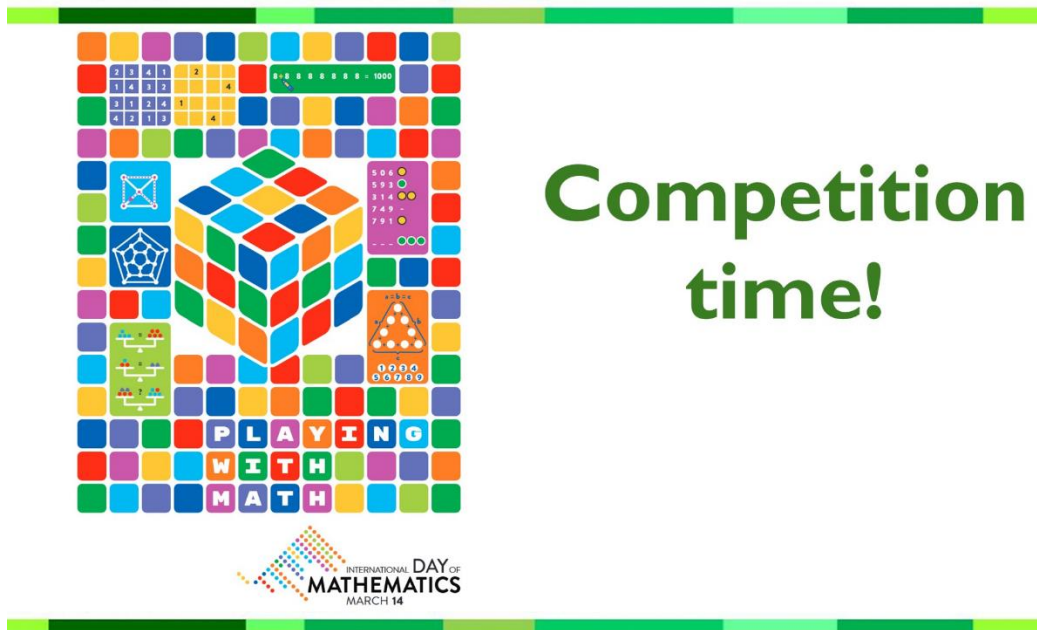
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Drumkit

Does anyone have drumkit that they don't need any more that they would consider donating to the school? If so please let the Music Teacher know: maria.neil-smith@holytrinity.merton.sch.uk

International Day of Mathematics

See document attached for more information



Online Safety Thought of the Week



HOTs Announcements

Spring Disco: Tickets on sale now!

Friday, March 21st

EYFS & KSI 5:30-6:30

KS2: 6:45-8pm

<https://www.pta-events.co.uk/hots/index.cfm?event=event&eventId=93829>

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

New Estate Agent Board Sponsor for Summer Fair: One Move Group

We're delighted to announce that One Move Group ([Your Road to UK | One Move Group all-in-one premier property service](#)) have agreed to be our Summer Fair estate agent board sponsor for 2025. One Move Group, headquartered in London with regional offices in Manchester, Hong Kong, Taipei, Beijing and Shanghai, has been providing asset management, property transactions, education, and immigration services to High Net Worth clients since 2009.

Look out for updates after Easter and get ready to sign up for a board to support our school!

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>

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 for the Education Wellbeing Service, part of NHS South West London and St George's Mental Health NHS Trust. It features a blue header with the service name and a logo. The main text describes the service's role in providing professional advice and programs to promote child wellbeing. It lists three key offerings: 1:1 advice, help, and support; local primary parent webinars; and recorded workshops, groups, and workshops. Each offering includes a QR code for more information. The poster also includes a call to action to 'Picture this poster' and a YouTube logo. At the bottom, there are illustrations of five diverse children.

NHS
South West London and St George's Mental Health
NHS Trust

Education Wellbeing Service
NHS in School

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:

Picture this poster

YouTube

Update on Merton's review of day opportunities for adults with learning disabilities and autism

With Gill Moore, Merton's Head of the Integrated Learning
Disabilities Service,
and Andy Ottaway-Searle, Head of Direct Provision

Merton Council have been reviewing the future of day
opportunities for adults with learning disabilities and autism
in the borough, which includes day centres run by the
Council, services purchased from care providers and
activities in the community.

Hear the latest information and next steps.

Tuesday 4 March 2025, 10am to 12pm

Online via Zoom

OR

For family carers without digital access: see it LIVE on a
screen at our offices at the Chaucer Centre.

You MUST book at least 4 days ahead of the meeting to see the live
screening at our offices.

Click the link to book your spot at the online meeting:

<https://bit.ly/4gXyTjQ>

Or book here to watch the online meeting live on a screen at our offices if
you cannot access Zoom:

af.admin@mertonmencap.org.uk / 07929 670645

THIS SESSION IS FOR FAMILY CARERS ONLY

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

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Sunday matches in Surrey Primary League

Home matches at AELTC Grand Drive
and Raynes Park Sports Ground

Training on floodlit astro pitches at Blagdon's Sports Ground

U7-U12 – Saturday 15th March 11.15am-1pm

Raynes Park Sports Ground, Taunton Avenue

U13-U15 – Tuesday 18th March 6pm-8pm

Blagdon's Sports Ground, Beverley Way



Advance
registration
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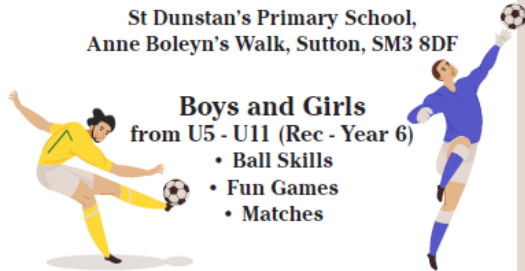


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Anne Boleyn's Walk,
Sutton, SM3 8DF**

First Steps: 9.30 - 10.00
Second Steps: 10.00 - 11.00
Intermediate Steps: 11.00 - 12.00
Advanced Steps: 12.00 - 13.00



Email: info@ca-sportscoaching.co.uk
to book a FREE TASTER SESSION,
or to make any other enquiries.

COMMUNITY ADVANTAGES

MAKE A NOTE!



EXPLORE

This hands-on programme introduces young learners to the world of STEM through teamwork, creativity, and problem-solving.

This year's "Submerged" theme takes children on an underwater adventure and encourages creativity via LEGO-based activities!

Whether your child is a budding engineer, an aspiring scientist, or just loves to create and discover, this engaging programme offers a fun, interactive, and educational experience.

Spaces will be extremely limited and you will be signing up to and agreeing to attend for 12 weeks as this is a COURSE based.

Join us for an exciting 12-week First LEGO League Explore programme coming soon to Merton libraries, in partnership with The Institute of Engineering and Technology (IET).

It will be for children aged: 6-9 years.



Days/Times currently TBC

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Attached items:

- International Day Of Mathematics – competition information

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
3 rd – 7 th March		Book Week
6 th March		Dress Up Day
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!
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