

Dear Parents and Carers,

The children (and staff) are just about surviving in the heat! Year 2 and Year 6 enjoyed visits this week from theatre groups who worked with them on transition from KS1 to KS2, and KS2 to secondary school respectively. The whole school held a special worship time on Tuesday to say goodbye and thank you to Rev'd Chris Palmer. We presented him with a picture comprised of words that the children had thought of to describe Chris.

As I write the Reception children are making their way back from their trip to the Battersea Park Zoo.

Thank you to everyone who came to our Open Evening last night. It was lovely to speak to so many people, and to hear how excited children are about the next year.

A message from HOTS

We are delighted to announce that this year's Summer Fair raised a record-breaking £8,850, an increase of 25% on last year. With matched funding by 6 parents/carers this is likely to rise to over £13,000, highlighting the significant impact this has.

The Summer Fair is a real team effort and HOTS would like to thank you all for your help in raising much-needed funds for the school.

We wish you all a fantastic summer!

International Day – Friday 13th July

We are looking forward to celebrating our international day next week, **Friday 13th July** and would like to remind you that you are welcome to join us for a school picnic from 2.45 pm.

Please remember that we are a NUT FREE school and therefore any food that you may bring to share or send in with your child to share with their class must NOT contain any nuts at all. We have children with allergies to a wide range of nuts.

If you wish to send in a family favourite recipe that reflects your heritage please do so to my e-mail address below: anne.moran@holytrinity.merton.sch.uk

The children are invited to dress in the colours of their flag or indeed the colours of a flag of a country that they are particularly fond of! If your child has national dress they are very welcome to wear that.

Year 6 French Trip

Congratulations to Year 6 who had a fantastic residential trip to France last week. They enjoyed a wide range of activities including visits to Europe's largest aquarium, an artisan bakery, a bee farm, a chocolate factory, WWI and WW2 memorials, museums and trenches, a French market and a French supermarket. The children were congratulated throughout the week for their good manners, their thoughtful questions and their ability to listen attentively. They all made great efforts to speak in French and they were all surprised by how much French they were able to understand. We were very proud of them!

A huge 'Thank you' to all of the children for being such great company and for making the week so enjoyable! I would also like to thank the fantastic staff team who accompanied the children and the team at school who all helped the trip to run so smoothly.
Anne Moran

Wimbledon Bookfest Young Writers' Competition 2018

Congratulations to everyone who took part on the writing competition this year. 330 entries were received from over 40 local schools. We are delighted to announce that Myra (3H), Emily (6T) and Tilly (6T) were awarded highly commended – their entries will be published in the Young Writers' Competition anthology. Congratulations also to

Isabel (2S), Meryn (3T), Lucie (6H), Julia (6H), Lucas (1M), Sofia (1F) and Ciara (2S), whose entries were commended.

The school will be sent books and certificates in September which will be passed on to the children.

Former Pupil - Wimbledon Ball Girl

Many congratulations to former pupil Lauren Scott, who has been chosen as a Ball Girl at Wimbledon this year. There was lots of excitement from her sisters on Monday evening as she was on television for the Norrie vs Bedene match!

National Literacy Trust

Following our recent Book Week we were delighted to be able to send a cheque for £204.95 to the National Literacy Trust, a charity working with schools and communities to give disadvantaged children the literacy skills to succeed in life.

More fundraising

Joshua, from 3H, has raised £15.51 for the Royal Marsden, by organising and holding a joke competition with his friends. Well done Joshua!

Grant Funding Research / Bid Writing Expertise

If you have experience of researching and applying for grant funding or business sponsorship and would like to volunteer to help the school explore potential future opportunities, we would love to hear from you! This would particularly suit those working in roles such as charity trusts manager, corporate partnerships manager, development manager or CSR. Please contact our School Business Manager, Samantha Joiner (sbm@holytrinity.merton.sch.uk).

Summer Reading Challenge

The Summer Reading Challenge starts tomorrow. Pop along to one of the libraries in Merton to sign up.

Dates for your diary

Date	Time	Event
10 th July	AM	Year 5 (girls) to Metro Bank
11 th /12 th July	7.00pm	Year 6 Production
12 th July	AM	Year 5 (boys) to Metro Bank
12 th July	All day	Ricards' Lodge Year 5 Taster Day
13 th July	9.00am	Parent Prayer Group
13 th July		International Day
16 th July	PM	Children visit their new class New Reception children visit
19 th July	AM	Year 4 Opera Workshop
20 th July	9.15am	Leaver's Service @ Holy Trinity Church
20 th July	2.00pm	School term ends
23 rd July		INSET day

Have a wonderful weekend – enjoy the sunshine and the football!

Izzy Rickards – Headteacher