

Dear Parents and Carers,

It has been wonderful to welcome our Reception children this week who seem very happy settling into school life! We look forward to our nursery children starting next week.

Thank you so much to those of you who've been able to make it to our 'Meet the teacher' sessions. Do remember to look at your child's year group page on the website for further information.

We held our first Celebration Worship of the term today with children receiving awards for showing great resilience, being kind, having a positive attitude to learning and asking insightful questions. If your child has been awarded a certificate, trophy or medal at something outside of school we would love for them to bring it into school any Friday, so that we can tell the whole school.

Year 6 Meet the Teacher Session – Monday 16th September, 9.00am

Please enter via the playground door for the meeting in 6H.

Sports Kit

Please may I remind you that all children should bring the following sports kit to school to wear for PE:

- House Colour PE T-shirt (available to buy on Parentmail from the school)
- Black/Navy plain shorts or Black/Navy plain leggings or tracksuit bottoms (winter)
- Plain black/navy/dark grey sports sweatshirt – no hoods and no branding please (winter)
- Plimsolls or plain trainers

Children without their PE kit will not be allowed to participate in the active part of the PE lesson but will be given a written PE task to complete.

Mobile Phones in School

In keeping with a number of local secondary schools we have decided that from September onwards, **smart phones should not be brought into school by children under any circumstances**. If children need mobile phones to contact their parents when walking to and from school, we suggest that you purchase a simple pay-as-you-go 'brick' phone (ideally with no camera) for this purpose.

On arrival at school, phones should be handed in to the class teacher and they will be returned at the end of the school day. Mobile phones may not be used by children anywhere on the school premises, therefore they may not be used in the school playground, in Breakfast Club, in After School Club or in one of the Activity Clubs which are organised through the school.

If your child needs to contact you, or you need to contact your child, at any time when they are in the school building, the office staff will be happy to help.

Trim Trail

For safety reasons all children (pupils and their younger siblings) should not use the trim trail before or after school.

Scooters and Bikes

As soon as children reach the school gate they should push their bike or scooter to the bike/scooter park, to ensure that the playground is a safe place for everyone. Please remember to take bikes and scooters home at the end of each day. We recommend that bikes and scooters are locked to the bars in the bike/scooter park.

Parents/Carers - Do you enjoy singing?

As some of you may know, the adult choir we have at school (Trinity Singers) has been successfully up and running for the past five years. We sing a wide variety of fantastic songs for fun and at various events (Carol Service/Summer Fair) and we've even been lucky enough to sing at the Royal Albert Hall twice!

We meet every other Thursday in the school hall from 8-9 pm and with a new school year upon us, we would like to open up the choir to any interested new members.

We are holding an Open Rehearsal on the 19th September from 8-9 pm which will give you a chance to see the choir for yourselves, join in....and hopefully sign up! You may have a lot of experience of singing in a choir or none - all are welcome. You don't need to be able to read music and you certainly won't be asked to sing on your own! If you enjoy singing - come along and join us on the 19th! You don't have to be a parent to join the choir – friends, other family members, child-minders are very welcome. The more the merrier!

Dates for this term are: 19th September, 3rd, 17th, 31st October, 7th, 21st November, 5th, 12th December.

Discovery Education Espresso Home Access

Please find attached information about an educational online teaching and learning resource which is also available for children to use at home. Your child will shortly be given their log in details to enable them to access it at home.

Events for parents/carers

English as an Additional Language Coffee Morning – Monday 16th September @ 9.00am

If English is not your first language you are warmly invited to a coffee morning in the Small Hall on Monday 16th September straight after drop off. Please enter via Effra Road.

Parent Prayer Group – Friday 20th September, 9.00am

Do join with other parents after drop off on Friday 20th September to pray for our school. Everyone is welcome. The group meets in the Club Room in the Year 1 building.

HOTS Welcome Coffee Morning – Friday 27th September, 9.00am

Please join us in the small hall just after drop off at 9am to meet the HOTS team, fellow parents and carers. We will be fundraising for Macmillan Cancer Support World's Biggest Coffee Morning, so any donations of cake and/or money are welcome!

Pre-Loved Uniform Sale – Wednesday 18th September, 3.15pm

Thank you so much to you all for your donations of pre-loved uniform – we now have enough! Mrs Mills will be holding a sale in the playground after school on Wednesday 18th September.

Job Vacancies

We currently have a few part-time job vacancies – please look at our website for more information.

Lettings Capacity

We have some capacity during some weekday evenings – if you know of anyone looking for a regular evening booking please contact Sam Joiner or Alex Walker in the school office.

A Message from Friends of South Park Gardens

Our ever-popular Bonfire and Fireworks event will take place on Saturday 2nd November. Tickets will be available from 1st October to members ONLY of FSPG. This is your last chance to renew your membership! All membership applications are due by the 15th September. Only members will be eligible to purchase tickets. Members will receive instructions a few days before the ticket release. Be sure to be quick as tickets sold out within hours last year! Once tickets are purchased, you will be emailed instructions on how to collect your wristbands. Details will be posted on the website and a poster displayed in the Garden Pavilion.

Apply for membership here: southparkgardens.org/join-us

From their website:

School Vouchers at Ryman

Support your local school and 'Classroom Heroes' this summer with **Ryman Vouchers for Classrooms!** This fantastic scheme gives parents and families the opportunity to raise £500 thousand pounds of Ryman vouchers for schools to spend on classroom supplies and stationery essentials.

Running until 21st September, **for every £5 you spend** in a Ryman store, **you will receive a voucher for 50p.**

The more you spend, the more vouchers you will receive!

Simply hand your vouchers into the school of your choice at the beginning of the new term and they can be redeemed by school staff at any of the **204 Ryman stores nationwide.**

<https://www.ryman.co.uk/vouchersforclassrooms>

Attached Notices

Please find attached notices regarding:

- Wimbledon Guild's Waggy Walk
- Espresso Home Access

Key Dates for 2019-2020

Any new dates will be highlighted in subsequent Bulletins

| Date | Time | Event |
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| 16 th September | 9.00-9.30am | Year 6 Meet the teacher session |
| 16 th September | | Nursery children staggered start |
| 16 th September | 9.00am | Coffee Morning for families for whom English isn't their first language |
| 16 th September | PM | Year 4 Theatre Workshop |
| 20 th September | 9.00am | Parents' Prayer Meeting |
| 25 th September | | Year 6 visit to Hampton Court |
| 26 th September | 10.00am | Reception Open Morning for entry in 2020 |
| 26 th September | 6.30-7.30pm | Information Evening for Reception Parents |
| 27 th September | 9.00am | Macmillan Coffee Morning |
| 29 th September | 10.00am | School Sunday @ Holy Trinity Church |
| 7 th October | 7.00-8.00pm | James Shone – <i>Keeping our eyes on the right ball</i> – Talk for parents/carers |
| 11 th October | 10.00am | Nursery Open Morning for entry in 2020 |
| 14 th –18 th October | | Maths Week |
| 16 th October | 8.15-8.45am | Share my Learning – an opportunity for children to share their learning, and books, with their parents/carers |
| 17 th October | | School photographs |
| 18 th October | 9.00am | Parents' Prayer Meeting |
| 18 th October | | Break up for half term |
| 28 th October | | 2 nd half of term starts |
| 28 th October | | KS2 First Aid Workshop |
| 30 th October | 3.50-7.00pm | Reception Parent/Teacher Meetings |
| 31 st October | 3.50-6.10pm | Reception Parent/Teacher Meetings |
| 1 st November | | KS2 - First Aid Workshop |
| 7 th November | 9.00am | 6H Class Worship |
| 11-15 th November | | Anti-bullying week |
| 11 th November | 9.00am | Coffee Morning for families for whom English isn't their first language |
| 14 th November | 9.00am | 3T Class Worship |
| 15 th November | 10.00am | Reception Open Morning for entry in 2020 |
| 18-22 nd November | | Assessment week |
| 21 st November | 9.00am | 2B Class Worship |
| 22 nd November | | Nursery Open Morning for entry in 2020 |
| 28 th November | 9.00am | 4H Class Worship |
| 28 th November | | Nasal Flu Vaccinations |
| 4 th December | 3.50-7.00pm | Years 1-6 Parent/Teacher meetings |
| 5 th December | 3.50-6.00pm | Years 1-6 Parent/Teacher meetings |
| 9 th December | 2.15pm | Reception Nativity |
| 10 th December | 9.30am | Reception Nativity |
| 11 th December | 9.15am | Year 2 Christmas show |
| 12 th December | 9.15am | Year 2 Christmas show |
| 13 th December | 10.30am/2.30pm | Nursery Nativity |
| 13 th December | | Christmas Jumper Day – children are invited to wear a Christmas jumper to school |
| 18 th December | 9.15am | Year 1 Concert |
| 18 th December | 6.30pm | Year 3/5 Carol Service @ Holy Trinity Church |
| 19 th December | 6.30pm | Year 4/6 Carol Service @ Holy Trinity Church |
| 20 th December | 2.00pm | Break up |
| 6 th January 2020 | | INSET Day – School closed |
| 7 th January | | Term begins for all children |
| 17 th January | 9.00am | Parents' Prayer Meeting |
| 23 rd January | 9.00am | 5T Class Worship |
| 30 th January | 9.00am | 5H Class Worship |
| 3 rd – 7 th February | | Mental Health Awareness Week |
| 6 th February | 9.00am | 3H Class Worship |

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| 12 th February | 8.15-8.45am | Share my Learning – an opportunity for children to share their learning, and books, with their parents/carers |
| 13 th February | 9.00am | 6T Class Worship |
| 14 th February | | Kindness Day |
| 14 th February | | Break up for half term |
| 24 th February | | 2 nd half of term begins |
| 28 th February | | Parents' Prayer Meeting |
| 5 th March | 9.00am | 2S Class Worship |
| 6 th March | 9.00am | PGL Meeting for Year 4 parents/carers |
| 12 th March | 9.00am | 1F Class Worship |
| 16 th – 20 th March | | Assessment week |
| 19 th March | 9.00am | 1M Class Worship |
| 26 th March | 9.00am | 4T Class Worship |
| 27 th March | | Parents' Prayer Meeting |
| 31 st March TBC | 9.15am | Easter Service @ Holy Trinity Church |
| 2 nd April | 1.50-7.10pm | Parent/Teacher meetings NB School closes at 1.30pm |
| 3 rd April | | Easter Bonnet/Hat Parade |
| 3 rd April | 2.00pm | Break up for Easter holidays |
| 20 th April | | Summer term begins |
| 22 nd – 24 th April | | Year 4 PGL Residential |
| 24 th April | | Parents' Prayer Meeting |
| 28 th April | | Class Photographs |
| 7 th May | | Polling Day – School closed |
| 8 th May | | VE Day Bank Holiday – School closed |
| 11 th – 14 th May | | Year 6 SATS |
| 22 nd May | 9.00am | France Trip meeting for Year 6 parents |
| 20 th – 24 th May | | Book Week |
| 22 nd May | | Break up for half term |
| 1 st June | | INSET Day – School closed |
| 2 nd June | | 2 nd half of term begins and Assessment week |
| 8 th – 12 th June | | Year 1 Phonics Screening Check Year 4 Timetables Check |
| 15 th – 19 th June | | Healthy School Week Sports Days for all year groups |
| 16 th June | AM | KS2 Sports Day @ Garfield Park |
| 17 th June | AM | Reception Sports Day @ school |
| 18 th June | AM | KSI Sports Day @ school |
| 19 th June | AM/PM | Nursery Sports Day @ school |
| 22 nd – 26 th June | | Year 6 in France |
| 26 th June | 9.00am | Parents' Prayer Meeting |
| 9 th July | TBC | Open Afternoon/Evening |
| TBC | 7.00pm | Year 6 Production |
| 17 th July | 9.15am | Leaver's Service @ Holy Trinity Church |
| 17 th July | 2.00pm | Term ends |
| 20 th July | | INSET Day – School closed |

I hope you have a lovely weekend.

Izzy Rickards
Headteacher