

Dear Parents and Carers,

It has been another busy week here at Holy Trinity Primary School, including our first Governing Body meeting of the new academic year. The governors welcomed new members and agreed the priorities for the year. They also thanked the staff for a good start to term, including the helpful 'Meet the Teacher' sessions. Look out for further news from the governors throughout the year.

### All Together Gold Award

This week we were delighted to learn that we have been awarded All Together School GOLD status for 2018. In 2017-2018 we took part in the All Together United Against Bullying programme <https://www.anti-bullyingalliance.org.uk/>. My thanks go to Kerryn Witting, and the whole staff, for working hard to achieve this award.

### Music Mark Award

I am also thrilled to announce that, for the second year running, we have been awarded the Music Mark, in recognition of a commitment to providing high quality music education for all of our children. Thank you Mrs Quinn for all that you do to inspire our children!

### School Sunday – Sunday 30<sup>th</sup> September @ Holy Trinity Church, 10am

It would be wonderful to see as many families as possible at our annual Schools Sunday service on Sunday 30<sup>th</sup> September, 10am at Holy Trinity Church. It is a lovely service at the start of the school year to give thanks to God for both of the schools linked to Holy Trinity Church - The Priory School and our school.

Children sit with their parent/carer, and there is no need to wear school uniform.

A message from Mrs Quinn - Both school choirs (Year 3/4 Choir and Year 5/6 Choir) will be singing a song during the service with Priory Choir. The choir do not need to wear uniform and can sit with their families during the service.

### Harvest

Our Harvest Celebration Service is being held on Thursday 4<sup>th</sup> October, 9.15am, at Holy Trinity Church. We would welcome harvest contributions which we will take down to the church with us. The items collected will be distributed equally between Wimbledon Food Bank and Faith in Action. The food bank <https://wimbledon.foodbank.org.uk/> is particularly looking for the following items:

- Tinned fish
- Tinned tomatoes
- Tinned rice pudding
- Ketchup
- Toothpaste
- Soap

### Lego Cards

I have taken the decision to ban Lego Cards from school, from Monday 1<sup>st</sup> October. The cards, whilst being fun to collect, are causing unnecessary distractions, with some getting lost. Thank you for your support with this.

### Free School Meals/Pupil Premium

Might you be eligible for Free School Meals or Pupil Premium? You may not know, but in addition to getting hot meals free of charge, the school also gets an amount of money to support your child at school. In the past this money has been used to help fund interventions, books, school trips, residential trips and activity clubs. Have a look here <https://www2.merton.gov.uk/learning/schools/schoolservices/catering/freemeals.htm> to see if you are eligible for the funding. This applies to children from nursery through to Year 6.

## Share My Learning – Wednesday 17<sup>th</sup> October 8.15-8.45am

At the Parent Forum last term parents were keen for the school to explore further ways to enable them to see what the children are learning in class. As a result of this we are introducing 'Share My Learning' sessions. Children will be able to take their parents/carers up to their classroom and share what they have been learning. The first session is on Wednesday 17<sup>th</sup> October, from 8.15-8.45am.

## SEND Parent Group – Friday 5<sup>th</sup> October, 9.00am

The next SEND (Special Educational Needs and Disability) Parent group will be held on Friday 5<sup>th</sup> October, from 9.00am, in the Small Hall. Please enter via Effra Road. The theme will be *Communicating with your child – Play Therapy*.

## SEND Update and Meet the Therapists

Please see attached two events sent to us from Merton Council that may be of interest to you.

## Sporting Opportunities

Please see attached information regarding local sporting opportunities for children.

## Key Dates for 2018-2019

Date	Time	Event
30 <sup>th</sup> September	Time tbc	School Sunday @ Holy Trinity Church
4 <sup>th</sup> October	9.15am	Harvest Service @ Holy Trinity Church
5 <sup>th</sup> October	9.00am	SEND Parent Support group – Small Hall
11 <sup>th</sup> October	9.00am	6T Class Assembly
17 <sup>th</sup> October	8.15-8.45am	Share my Learning – an opportunity for children to share their learning, and books, with their parents/carers
18 <sup>th</sup> October	6.30pm	Maths Workshop for parents/carers
19 <sup>th</sup> October	9.00am	Parent Prayer Group – Club Room
19 <sup>th</sup> October		Break up for half term
29 <sup>th</sup> October		2 <sup>nd</sup> half of term starts
1 <sup>st</sup> November	9.00am	6H Class Assembly
2 <sup>nd</sup> November	9.00am	SEND Parent Support group – Small Hall
2 <sup>nd</sup> November	PM	HOTS Disco
8 <sup>th</sup> November	9.00am	5H Class Assembly
12-16 <sup>th</sup> November		Anti-bullying week
15 <sup>th</sup> November	9.00am	3H Class Assembly
16 <sup>th</sup> November	9.00am	HOTS AGM
19-23 <sup>rd</sup> November		Assessment week
22 <sup>nd</sup> November	9.00am	2B (Badgers) Class Assembly
23 <sup>rd</sup> November	9.00am	Parent Prayer Group – Club Room
5 <sup>th</sup> December	3.50-7.00pm	Parent/Teacher meetings
6 <sup>th</sup> December	3.50-6.00pm	Parent/Teacher meetings
7 <sup>th</sup> December	9.00am	SEND Parent Support group – Small Hall
8 <sup>th</sup> December	PM	Christmas Carols in South Park Gardens for Women in Need
10 <sup>th</sup> December	2.15pm	Reception Nativity
11 <sup>th</sup> December	9.30am	Reception Nativity
12 <sup>th</sup> December	9.15am	Year 2 Nativity
13 <sup>th</sup> December	9.15am	Year 2 Nativity
14 <sup>th</sup> December	10.30am/2.30pm	Nursery Nativity
18 <sup>th</sup> December	9.15am	Year 1 Concert
19 <sup>th</sup> December	6.30pm	Year 3/5 Carol Service @ Holy Trinity Church
20 <sup>th</sup> December	6.30pm	Year 4/6 Carol Service @ Holy Trinity Church
21 <sup>st</sup> December	2.00pm	Break up
7 <sup>th</sup> January 2019		INSET Day
8 <sup>th</sup> January		Term begins for all children
18 <sup>th</sup> January	9.00am	Parent Prayer Group – Club Room
24 <sup>th</sup> January	9.00am	5T Class Assembly
31 <sup>st</sup> January	9.00am	3T Class Assembly
7 <sup>th</sup> February	9.00am	1M (Moles) Class Assembly
13 <sup>th</sup> February	8.15-8.45am	Share my Learning – an opportunity for children to share their learning, and books, with their parents/carers
15 <sup>th</sup> February	9.00am	Parent Prayer Group – Club Room
15 <sup>th</sup> February		Break up for half term
25 <sup>th</sup> February		2 <sup>nd</sup> half of term begins
28 <sup>th</sup> February	9.00am	2S (Squirrels) Class Assembly
7 <sup>th</sup> March	9.00am	4H Class Assembly
11 <sup>th</sup> – 15 <sup>th</sup> March		Science week
14 <sup>th</sup> March	9.00am	1F (Foxes) Class Assembly

15 <sup>th</sup> March	9.00am	Parent Prayer Group – Club Room
18 <sup>th</sup> March		Assessment week
20 <sup>th</sup> March	All day and evening	Year 5 at the Royal Albert Hall
28 <sup>th</sup> March	9.00am	4T Class Assembly tbc
2 <sup>nd</sup> April	9.15am	Easter Service @ Holy Trinity Church
4 <sup>th</sup> April	1.50-7.10pm	Parent/Teacher meetings NB School closes at 1.30pm
5 <sup>th</sup> April		Easter Bonnet/Hat Parade
5 <sup>th</sup> April	2.00pm	Break up for Easter holidays
23 <sup>rd</sup> April		Summer term begins
23 <sup>rd</sup> – 26 <sup>th</sup> April		Year 4 PGL Residential
26 <sup>th</sup> April	9.00am	Parent Prayer Group – Club Room
13 <sup>th</sup> – 16 <sup>th</sup> May		Year 6 SATS
20 <sup>th</sup> – 24 <sup>th</sup> May		Book Week
24 <sup>th</sup> May	9.00am	Parent Prayer Group – Club Room
24 <sup>th</sup> May		Break up for half term
3 <sup>rd</sup> June		INSET Day
4 <sup>th</sup> June		2 <sup>nd</sup> half of term begins
17 <sup>th</sup> – 21 <sup>st</sup> June		Sports Days for all year groups TBC
21 <sup>st</sup> June	9.00am	Parent Prayer Group – Club Room
24 <sup>th</sup> – 28 <sup>th</sup> June		Year 6 in France
11 <sup>th</sup> July	TBC	Open Afternoon/Evening
17 <sup>th</sup> /18 <sup>th</sup> July	7.00pm	Year 6 Production
22 <sup>nd</sup> July	2.00pm	Term ends
23 <sup>rd</sup> July		INSET Day

I hope you have a lovely weekend.

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