

Dear Parents and Carers,

Happy new year to you all. It has been wonderful to see everyone back following the Christmas break.

We have had a good start to term. All of the children enjoyed watching circus performer Matt perform amazing circus tricks on Tuesday. Year 3 then had a Circus Skills Workshop where they tried their hand at plate spinning, juggling, stilt walking and diablo throwing!

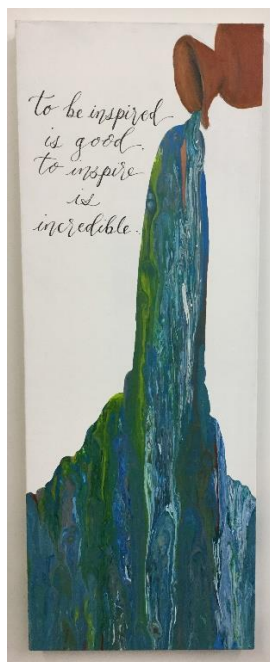
This week Year 5 wrote their own space poems followed by 'cosmic galaxy' space art to launch their space topic. To launch their new Plant topic, the Year 2s have planted their own broad beans and will be monitoring and recording their findings in special investigation diaries.

Wimbledon Junior Tennis Initiative

Congratulations to Brody and Matthias, who have been invited to join the Wimbledon Junior Tennis Initiative. Well done to you both.

Amazing Art

I am astounded by how talented our pupils are. One pupil presented me with this painting to go on the wall of my office. I think you'll agree it is amazing!



Applications for Reception 2019

A reminder that the closing date for all applications for Reception entry in September 2019 is Tuesday 15th January 2019. Please ensure you have completed the online Merton application <https://www.merton.gov.uk/education-and-learning/schools/admissions/primary>

EAL Coffee Morning Postponed

The next EAL Coffee Morning will be held on Monday 11th February @ 9.00am rather than 14th January.

Year 5 and Trinity Singers to sing at The Royal Albert Hall

Excitement is mounting for the Royal Albert Hall 'Liquid History' concert that Year 5 and Trinity Singers are taking part in on 20th March! Tickets go on sale next Wednesday (16th January) and can be purchased from The Royal Albert Hall Box Office. <https://www.royalalberthall.com/tickets/>

HOTS Quiz Night – 8th February 2019

Doors open at 7.30, for 8.00pm start; ends at 11.00pm sharp

HOTS are pleased to announce that tickets for their super-popular annual quiz will go on sale on the morning of Monday 14th January. Tickets are £15 each and include a fish and chip supper (or veggie alternative), nibbles, and a glass of cava or soft drink on entry. There will be also be a cash bar selling drinks and snacks.

Apply with a ready-made team of 8-10, or we will match you up with some other lovely people from school. A great ice-breaker! If you have a team already, you must purchase all your tickets together to ensure you secure a table together. Please also select the appropriate number of meal tickets for all your party.

Please note that, as we are expecting the event to be oversubscribed, tickets are only available to HT families in the first instance.

Parish Pantomime

Tickets are still available for the fun-filled family-friendly MP3 Players Pantomime, starring a number of our Holy Trinity students, in a couple of weeks. All profits go to support the work of Christian Care in Merton. All seats are just £5 and it's suitable for the whole family. Tickets can be purchased at www.tinyurl.com/mp3panto. Come and see Pinocchio on his adventures with his friends, making mischief along the way. Four performances between Friday 25th and Sunday 27th. Friday and Saturday have shows at 7pm. Saturday and Sunday matinees at 2pm. All performances at Saint John the Divine, High Path, SW19 2JY.

Kid's First and Merton Family Events

Please find attached information about the Kid's First Spring events on offer this term, and a listening event being organised by Merton Family.

Lunchboxes

Please remind your children to collect their lunchboxes at the end of each day. Please also name lunchboxes so that we can return them. Any that are unclaimed after a couple of weeks will be disposed of.

Term Dates 2019-2020

Autumn Term 2019

- First day: Monday 2 September 2019 (**NB INSET DAYS 2nd/3rd September 2019 children begin 4th September**)
- Last day: Friday 20 December 2019
- Half term: Monday 21 October to Friday 25 October 2019

Spring Term 2020

- First day: Monday 6 January 2020 (**NB INSET DAY 6th January 2020 children begin 7th January**)
- Last day: Friday 3 April 2020
- Half term: Monday 17 February to Friday 21 February 2020

Summer Term 2020

- First day: Monday 20 April 2020
- Last day: Monday 20 July 2020 (**NB INSET DAY 20th JULY 2020 children finish 17th July**)
- Half term: Monday 25 May to Friday 29 May 2020 (**NB INSET DAY 1st JUNE 2020 children return 2nd June**)

Key Dates for 2018-2019

Date	Time	Event
14 th January		Year 5 to The Science Museum
18 th January	9.00am	Parent Prayer Group – Club Room
21 st January		Year 3/4 to Wimbledon Theatre AM Year 5/6 to Wimbledon Theatre PM
24 th January	9.00am	5T Class Assembly
25 th January	9.00am	SEND Parent Group – Small Hall (enter via Effra Road)
31 st January	9.00am	3T Class Assembly
31 st January		Year 6 to The Natural History Museum
5 th February		Year 2 to Kew Gardens
4 th February	6.30-8.30pm	Parent Workshop – Mental Health with Dick Moore
7 th February	9.00am	1M (Moles) Class Assembly
11 th February	9.00am	EAL Coffee Morning – Small Hall
13 th February	8.15-8.45am	Share my Learning – an opportunity for children to share their learning, and books, with their parents/carers
14 th February		Kindness Day – Spread a little love
15 th February	9.00am	Parent Prayer Group – Club Room
15 th February		Break up for half term
25 th February		2 nd half of term begins
28 th February	9.00am	2S (Squirrels) Class Assembly
7 th March	9.00am	4H Class Assembly
11 th – 15 th March		Science week
14 th March	9.00am	1F (Foxes) Class Assembly
15 th March	9.00am	Parent Prayer Group – Club Room
18 th March		Assessment week
18 th March	9.00am	EAL Coffee Morning – Small Hall
20 th March	All day and evening	Year 5 at the Royal Albert Hall
22 nd March	9.00am	SEND Parent Group – Small Hall (enter via Effra Road)
28 th March	9.00am	4T Class Assembly tbc
2 nd April	9.15am	Easter Service @ Holy Trinity Church
4 th April	1.50-7.10pm	Parent/Teacher meetings NB School closes at 1.30pm
5 th April		Easter Bonnet/Hat Parade
5 th April	2.00pm	Break up for Easter holidays
23 rd April		Summer term begins
23 rd – 26 th April		Year 4 PGL Residential
26 th April	9.00am	Parent Prayer Group – Club Room
3 rd May	9.00am	SEND Parent Group – Small Hall (enter via Effra Road)
13 th – 16 th May		Year 6 SATS
20 th – 24 th May		Book Week
24 th May	9.00am	Parent Prayer Group – Club Room
24 th May		Break up for half term
3 rd June		INSET Day
4 th June		2 nd half of term begins
17 th – 21 st June		Sports Days for all year groups TBC
21 st June	9.00am	Parent Prayer Group – Club Room
24 th – 28 th June		Year 6 in France
11 th July	TBC	Open Afternoon/Evening
17 th /18 th July	7.00pm	Year 6 Production
22 nd July	2.00pm	Term ends
23 rd July		INSET Day

Have a good weekend.

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