

Dear Parents and Carers,

We have had a fantastic week at Holy Trinity. Our *Growing Together in Spirit* team led our Easter Service at the church on Monday, when we reflected on the different colours of the Easter story. Our House Captains superbly organised Holy Trinity's Got Talent and the Easter Bake-off. We were entertained by the choirs and orchestra during our music assembly on Tuesday. On Wednesday there were Easter bonnets, hats, and eggs in abundance! Today we were captivated by Year 4's opera singing as they told the story of Carmen through words and song. One of the highlights of the week for me was seeing the whole school sitting in mixed age groups sharing bread, listening to the story of the Last Supper, and singing, during our Agape Meal this morning.

Lent Appeal

We have had a huge response to our Lent Appeal. As I write the money is still being counted, but I hope to be able to share with you the total amount after the Easter holidays. Thank you so much for your generosity. I know that some children even organised their own stalls out of school to raise money too!

Sporting News

On Friday the 9th of March, 8 of our talented football players travelled down to Reading to play in a tournament after winning the regional competition at Fulham Football Club. All the boys played extremely well, showed determination and a great team spirit. Unfortunately we didn't qualify for the next stage however all the boys and parents should feel very proud of this achievement. A huge well done to all!

On Friday the 23rd of March, lots of the children represented Holy Trinity by taking part in the Merton Challenge Run which was held at Joseph Hood Recreation Ground. It was a successful and tiring day for all but very much enjoyed. A special mention to Zoe Brown who came 2nd in the girls' year 5 race. Each individual showed determination and perseverance during the 1500 metres, so a huge well done to all who took part. Thank you very much to all the helpers who came and helped out on the day.

PC Tim Mann visited Year 6 as part of their CSI topic and sent this message...

I'd like to say a HUGE thanks for your very kind words today, my card & gifts, that was really thoughtful! You have another amazing Year 6 group this year and it was brilliant to see them again and support your CSI session. Lots of great questions, ideas & participation (hope the toilet cleaning wasn't too bad for the suspects we bailed!). There is always a really warm family feel at Holy Trinity when we visit, which is testament to all your hard work, dedication & commitment to all your kids. I'm very proud that my final uniform duty in my schools was with you guys!

Jigsaw PSHE Competition News

Congratulations to Holy Trinity.

I am delighted to let you know that your fantastic children, singing with such enthusiasm and clarity (accompanied by nearly all the Jigsaw Friends), were shortlisted as finalists in the 2018 Jigsaw the Voice Competition.

It was incredibly difficult to choose the winning school, and whilst I am sorry to say that Holy Trinity did not quite win, I can honestly tell you the finalists were very difficult to choose between and your entry was excellent and refreshing. The children were so smart and sang beautifully with really clear diction and very smiley faces, such a credit to Holy Trinity.

The judges here at Jigsaw loved their voices and recognise how much work and practising must have gone into singing 'Together as One' so well. We are very grateful for all the work, practising and effort everyone involved gave to the entry.

Easter Bikeability Courses

Merton is running free cycling training courses during the Easter holidays for children in Year 1 upwards. If you would like further information about these courses please book online at <http://bit.ly/Mertoncycle> or download an information pack <http://bit.ly/2mWXJJP>

HOTS Summer Fair

The **Holy Trinity School Summer Fair, Saturday 23rd June 2018, 12noon-4.00pm** is shaping up to be a fun packed day of activities, music and refreshments with all proceeds going towards the school. This year we have decided to host our fair at the school instead of South Park Gardens. We are looking forward to the change, and not carrying everything over to the park.

The class reps have already decided on their stalls and will be asking for volunteers to sign up. Please help your class reps with stalls. HOTS runs the bar, first aid, face painting, set up, take down and entrances. If you can help with any of these please let us know.

Does your employer do **matched funding**? With the summer fair coming up, now is the time to check! HOTS makes thousands of pounds simply by parents and carers asking their employers. Please contact Liz Davies, HOTS treasurer for more info. banksdavies@gmail.com

Are you willing to have an estate agent board? This is a great way to advertise our fair. Email - hotsemail@gmail.com

Please come along to support your school and bring along your friends and families with you. This annual event is a great success but we cannot do it without your support.

A message from HOTS about Happy School Bags

Are you having a clear out over Easter break? Once again you can recycle your good quality second-hand clothes, linen, soft toys and other items through Happy School Bag and help HOTS at the same time. Bags will be delivered to you via book bags or you can use your own. We appreciate that many of you may also have been donating to other causes but we hope there's still enough to go round to help everyone – every little helps – even if you can only spare small donations.

Please bring your bags back to school **BEFORE 9am** on Tuesday May 1st. Please do not deliver before this date as the school has very limited storage space.

They **accept** quality, dry and clean second-hand ladies, men's and children's clothing, paired shoes and trainers, handbags, belts, hats, console games, jewellery, toiletries as well as bed linen, towels and soft toys.

They **do not accept** bric-a-brac, single shoes, mats, carpets, pillows, blankets, curtains or dirty, damaged or wet clothing.

Thank you. The more we collect, the more Happy School Bag gives us as a donation.

Mr O's Half Term Camp

Mr Ollivierre (our sports coach) is running a Multi-Sports Holiday Camp during May half-term (Tuesday 29 May – Friday 1 June 2018) @ Southborough High School, Surbiton, 8am-6pm. Cost from £40 a day. Our specialist sports camps enable children to undertake and develop the skills and knowledge required for participation in a range of sports including; Awesome Archery, Harmonious Hockey and Football Fun in a safe and secure environment.

Creative activities including Super Smoothie and Magnificent Mocktail making, enhance knowledge of healthy living and nutrition for sporting performance. For bookings and further information visit: www.wackyworkouts.co.uk or info@wackyworkouts.co.uk

Term Dates 2018-2019

Mon 3rd September - Fri 19th October 2018 with Mon 3rd and Tues 4th Sept being an INSET day

Mon 29th October - Fri 21st December 2018

Mon 7th January - Fri 15th February 2019 with Mon 7th Jan being an INSET day

Mon 25th February - Fri 5th April 2019

Tues 23rd April - Fri 24th May 2019

Mon 3rd June - Tues 23rd July with Mon 3rd June and Tues 23rd July being INSET days

Dates for your diary

Date	Time	Event
16 th April		Summer Term starts
20 th April	9.00am	Parent Prayer Group
24 th – 27 th April		Year 4 PGL visit to Windmill Hill
26 th April		52 Lives Workshop
May		Year 2 SATS
1 st May		Class Photographs
3 rd May		School Closed for Local Election
10 th May	9.00am	5H Class Assembly
10 th May	6.00pm	Phonics Workshop (all invited but specifically for parents of children in Nursery, reception and Year 1)
14 th May		Year 6 SATS week begins and Assessment week begins for other years
18 th May	9.00am	Parent Prayer Group
21 st May		Book Week begins
21 st May		Year 6 to Chessington
24 th May	9.00am	Owls Class Assembly
24 th May	7.00 – 9.00pm	Secondary School Information Evening
25 th May		Break up for half term
4 th June		INSET day
5 th June		2 nd half of term begins
5 th – 8 th June		Science Week
7 th June	7.00pm	Parent Forum
11 th June		Year 3 and 4 Sports Day
12 th June		Year 5 and 6 Sports Day
13 th June		Reception Sports Day
14 th June		Year 1 and 2 Sports Day
15 th June		Nursery Sports Day
15 th June	9.00am	Parent Prayer Group
23 rd June	12-4.00pm	Summer Fair
25 th – 29 th June		Year 6 School Journey to France
2 nd – 6 th July		Geography Week
5 th July	Time tbc	Open Evening
6 th July		Reception visit to Battersea Park
11 th /12 th July	Time tbc	Year 6 Production
13 th July	9.00am	Parent Prayer Group
20 th July	2.00pm	School term ends
23 rd July		INSET day

I hope you all have a wonderful Easter holiday.

Izzy Rickards

Headteacher