

## WELCOME BACK BULLETIN

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Dear Parents and Carers,

I hope you have all had a wonderful summer. School has been very quiet without the children! It is so lovely having them back at school, eager to catch up with old friends, and make new friends. Welcome back to you all, and welcome to our new families who have joined our school community. We look forward to our Reception children starting next week.

At the start of this academic year I wanted to take this opportunity to remind you about a few things.

### Meet the Teacher Sessions

There will be an opportunity for you to meet your child's new class teacher on the following dates:

Date	Time	Session
10 <sup>th</sup> September	8.45 – 9.20am	Year 1 Meet the teacher session
11 <sup>th</sup> September	8.45 – 9.20am	Year 2 Meet the teacher session
12 <sup>th</sup> September	8.45 – 9.20am	Year 3 Meet the teacher session
13 <sup>th</sup> September	8.45 – 9.20am	Year 4 Meet the teacher session
14 <sup>th</sup> September	8.45 – 9.20am	Year 5 Meet the teacher session
19 <sup>th</sup> September	8.45 – 9.20am	Year 6 Meet the teacher session

On this occasion, please enter school from the playground, and leave via the front office. The meetings will take place in one of the year group classrooms.

### Medication

If your child has an inhaler, epipen or any other regular medication please don't forget to visit the office to drop the medication off.

### Activity Clubs

There are still some spaces in the activity clubs being run this term. Please see the attached flyers and letter for further information. If you are interested in your child joining one of the clubs, please contact the club provider as soon as possible.

Mr Olivierre is unfortunately not now able to run his Skipping Club. If you have already signed up for this Mr Olivierre will be in touch with you to reimburse you.

### How to communicate with the school

Please find attached a summary of the best ways to communicate with the school.

### SEND Parent Group – 7<sup>th</sup> September

The Special Educational Needs and Disability Parent group will be meeting this Friday 7<sup>th</sup> September, from 9.00-10.00am in the Small Hall (please enter via Effra Road). This group is run by parents for parents. The session will focus on anxiety, and strategies to manage anxiety. Everyone is welcome.

### School Meals Price Increase

The price of the school meals has gone up from £2.00 per meal to £2.05.

### KS2 Pencil Cases

As you may be aware, we ask that all Key Stage 2 children bring in their own pencil cases for use in class. Please see below a list of items that are required:

- Simple pencil case (please do not send expensive pencil cases or those with 'gadgets' as these can be a distraction in the classroom)
- 2 x black handwriting pens (e.g. Berol Handwriter or Frixion 0.7mm Rollerball)
- Simple HB pencil

- Fluorescent highlighter pen
- Ruler
- Eraser
- Pencil sharpener
- Glue stick
- Colouring pencils (not smelly or glitter pencils)

Please ensure that the pencil case is named and, if possible, all of the equipment. Please check and re-stock the pencil case during the holidays or as often as needed.

### Summer Reading Challenge

The Summer Reading Challenge ends this Saturday 8<sup>th</sup> September. Don't forget to visit one of the Merton libraries to collect your rewards.

### Attendance

We shall be monitoring the attendance of our pupils very closely. Please remember that holidays/time off should not be booked during term time. Any absence will only be authorised in exceptional circumstances.

### Trim Trail

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

### Key Dates for 2018-2019

Date	Time	Event
3 <sup>rd</sup> /4 <sup>th</sup> September	PM	INSET days
5 <sup>th</sup> September		Term starts for all children from Year 1 to Year 6
7 <sup>th</sup> September	9.00am	SEND Parent Group in the Small Hall Please enter via Effra Road.
10 <sup>th</sup> September		Reception children start
10 <sup>th</sup> September	8.45 – 9.20am	Year 1 Meet the teacher session
11 <sup>th</sup> September	8.45 – 9.20am	Year 2 Meet the teacher session
12 <sup>th</sup> September	8.45 – 9.20am	Year 3 Meet the teacher session
13 <sup>th</sup> September	8.45 – 9.20am	Year 4 Meet the teacher session
14 <sup>th</sup> September	8.45 – 9.20am	Year 5 Meet the teacher session
17 <sup>th</sup> September		Nursery children staggered start
17 <sup>th</sup> September	9.00am	Coffee Morning for families for whom English isn't their first language
19 <sup>th</sup> September	8.45 – 9.20am	Year 6 Meet the teacher session
27 <sup>th</sup> September	6.30pm	Reception Meet the teacher session and information evening
30 <sup>th</sup> September	Time tbc	School Sunday @ Holy Trinity Church
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		Break up for half term
29 <sup>th</sup> October		2 <sup>nd</sup> half of term starts
12-16 <sup>th</sup> November		Anti-bullying week
19-23 <sup>rd</sup> November		Assessment week
5 <sup>th</sup> December	3.50-7.00pm	Parent/Teacher meetings
6 <sup>th</sup> December	3.50-6.00pm	Parent/Teacher meetings
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
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		Break up for half term
25 <sup>th</sup> February		2 <sup>nd</sup> half of term begins
11 <sup>th</sup> – 15 <sup>th</sup> March		Science week
18 <sup>th</sup> March		Assessment week
20 <sup>th</sup> March	All day and evening	Year 5 at the Royal Albert Hall

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
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		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
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

Izzy Rickards – Headteacher



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