

Dear Parents and Carers,

It has been wonderful to welcome our Nursery children this week who have enjoyed exploring the nursery area and making new friends. The rest of the children have been busy working hard. I have been so impressed with their manners so far this year, and the way they are trying hard to follow our Growing Together Rules.

Reception Curriculum Evening – Thursday 26th September, 6.30pm

There will be a Curriculum Evening for all Reception parents/carers next Thursday where you will have a chance to find out more about the Early Years Foundation Stage curriculum, and how to support your child.

Schools Sunday – Sunday 29th September 2019, 10am @ Holy Trinity Church

All children, together with their families, are invited to the Schools' Sunday on 29th September 2019, 10am at Holy Trinity Church. This is a chance for us to join together with The Priory School and commit the year to God. Uniform does not need to be worn.

A message from Mrs Quinn about Schools Sunday

Both school choirs (Year 3/4 Choir and Year 5/6 choir) will be singing a song with Priory School Choir during the Schools' Sunday Service. I realise it is a weekend performance and many of you may have your own church or other commitments but it would be great if there could be a good number of the choir performing. The children in the choir do not need to wear school uniform and can sit with their families during the service.

Harvest Festival – Tuesday 1st October 2019

On Tuesday 1st October during the school day we will be having our Harvest Festival Service at Holy Trinity Church. If you are able to bring a non-perishable item of food, or something from the list below to school on that day we will take it to the church. Items will be taken to the Wimbledon Foodbank.

Urgently needed items:

- instant mash/tinned potatoes
- rice
- small boxes of tea bags
- shampoo
- small bottles of fabric conditioner

Other items are very welcome, but the foodbank have said they have plenty of pasta at the moment. Their website has an up-to-date list of items most needed. <https://wimbledon.foodbank.org.uk/give-help/donate-food/>

Aldi's Kits for Schools

This September, to help support Get Set to Eat Fresh and it's aims, Aldi's Kit for Schools promotion is giving 20 primary schools the chance of winning £20,000 to kick start a health legacy for the school and we want to get involved!

Please help us collect 300 stickers to complete our poster and we'll receive an exclusive Sports kit, plus a chance of winning £20,000. Get Set to Eat Fresh, Aldi and Team GB's award winning schools programme, is committed to improving the healthy eating habits of 1.2 million children by 2020. The initiative creates free, downloadable materials for teachers and parents to support young people aged 5-14 in developing their understanding and love of fresh, healthy food and also the importance of leading an active lifestyle.

How you can help?

If anyone you know spends £30 in any Aldi store they will receive a special GB athlete sticker, which can be added to our school poster. The poster is going to be displayed around the school so children can add their stickers and see the progress we are making as a school. The children have been made aware of this within assembly.

If you have any further questions please email Miss Banks- eliza.banks@holytrinity.merton.sch.uk

Coats

When the weather starts to get a bit cooler please remember to send your child to school with a suitable school coat that is warm, and preferably waterproof. Denim jackets and other similar fashion jackets/coats are not suitable for school.

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. You will receive a letter via Parentmail if your child did not have their PE kit in school for their lesson.

Event for parents/carers

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!

Job Vacancies

We currently have a few part-time job vacancies – please look at our website for more information. The closing date for applications is Monday 23rd September 2019.

Key Dates for 2019-2020

Any new dates are highlighted

| Date | Time | Event |
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| 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 |
| 12 th November | Evening Time TBC | Maths Information Session for Parents/Carers – Fluency in the Curriculum |
| 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 |

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| 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 |
| 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 |
| 10 th March | Evening Time TBC | Maths Information Session for Parents/Carers – Reasoning in the Curriculum |
| 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 | KS1 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.

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Headteacher