

Dear Parents and Carers,

It has been wonderful to welcome our new Reception children into the Holy Trinity community. They are settling in so well. We look forward to our nursery children starting next week.

Year 4 kicked off their Ancient Greece topic with their very own Olympic Games. The children showed their competitive natures while still supporting one another. Mrs Niemann and Miss Dorey were very proud of them! Year 6 enjoyed a visit to Hampton Court to start their Tudor topic. They discovered what life was like in the Tudor Kitchen.



### Meet the Teacher Sessions

Date	Time	Session
19 <sup>th</sup> September	8.45 – 9.20am	Year 6 Meet the teacher session in 6T
27 <sup>th</sup> September	6.30pm	Reception Meet the teacher session/Information evening in the Hall

### 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.

### Car Parking

We have been asked to share the following message from Merton's Parking Enforcement Department with you: Merton's Parking Enforcement Department will be enforcing a systematic surveillance of school zig zag lines with both portable and static CCTV cameras at all schools in the Borough. Offending vehicles will be issued with Penalty Notices.

### Lost Property

We are keen to cut down on the amount of lost property that is collected in school. All named lost property will be returned to its owner. Any items that are not named will be collected at the office and put outside in the playground once a week. Items that are not claimed will be disposed of or added to our second hand uniform stock.

### Second Hand Uniform

Thank you so much for all of your donations of second hand uniform – we now have enough uniform.

### **A Challenge from Madam Moran!**

The European Day of Languages is on Wednesday 26th September. Madam Moran is challenging us all to try a new European language on Linguascope. The login details are: <http://www.linguascope.com>  
username: trinitysw/password: l4nguages  
Children could complete the games and activities on one topic in their chosen language and then do the test at the end and print off a certificate to bring into school.

### **Snacks**

The Government provides a piece of fruit or vegetable for all children in Reception, Year 1 and Year 2. Children in Years 3 – 6 are welcome (and encouraged) to bring either a piece of fruit or vegetable in to eat at break time. No other snacks should be brought to school.

**Merton Music Foundation** are having a 'Hands on session' for children to try out different instruments on Saturday 15th September - for more details, follow the link <https://mmf.org.uk/hands-on-session-sat-15-sept/>

### **Attendance and Illness**

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.

If your child has sickness and/or diarrhoea, they must be off school for 48 hours following the last episode – we are keen to avoid the spread of illnesses.

### **Aphids!**

We have found some aphids on our Willow tree. These have been declared harmless by the council, but you may wish to discourage your children from playing with any bugs they find at drop off/ pick up time. Staff are monitoring this at playtimes.

### **Nits!**

We have had a report of there being nits in Year 2. Please remember to check your child's hair on a regular basis. If you need help or advice, please contact the school office.

### **Pick Up after Activity Clubs**

If you are collecting your children from Activity Clubs after school, please wait outside the school on Effra Road and do not come into the foyer. Your children will be brought out by the club leader. This will reduce congestion around the school office, leaving space for visitors and deliveries, and for parents of children in After School Club who do pick up from the inner doors of the office foyer. Thank you.

### **Could you help us please?**

We are looking for more people to help us research potential grant funding opportunities and/ or help with bid writing. If you would be willing to help in this way please contact [sbm@holyltrinity.merton.sch.uk](mailto:sbm@holyltrinity.merton.sch.uk)

### **Trim Trail**

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

### **English as an Additional Language Coffee Morning – Monday 17<sup>th</sup> September @ 9.00am**

If English is not your first language you are warmly invited to a coffee morning in the Small Hall on Monday 17<sup>th</sup> September straight after drop off. Please enter via Effra Road.

### **Welcome from the Faith Team Coffee Morning – Friday 21<sup>st</sup> September @ 9.00am**

If you are a Reception parent/carer or are new to the Holy Trinity community then the Faith Team would love to invite you to a Coffee Morning on Friday 21<sup>st</sup> September, from 9.00am, in the Small Hall. Please enter via Effra Road.

## Key Dates for 2018-2019

Date	Time	Event
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

I hope you have a lovely weekend.

Izzy Rickards – Headteacher