

Dear Parents and Carers

I'm so grateful to our Governors, who work tirelessly supporting me, and the school. Please do read their Annual Report, attached to this Bulletin.

Thank you so much for your amazing generosity. We raised a whopping £711.50 for the DONS Local Action Network last week.

We have also received this thank you from The Lunchbowl Network.



Dear parents, children and staff at Holy Trinity Primary School,

Thank you so much for supporting the Lunchbowl Network Charity during your wellbeing week by buying our Happy Hippos!

You have raised £915!!!

This money will go a long way to help improve the wellbeing of the children in the Kibera slum by providing healthy food, school uniforms and school supplies for them.

Thanks again,

The Lunchbowl Team and the children at Angel School Kibera.



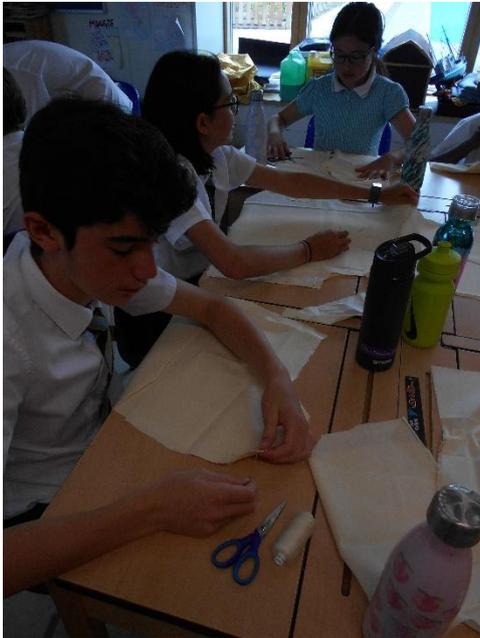
Our Nursery children had a wonderful time at Bocketts Farm this week.



Year 2 had a SUPER SCIENCE DAY! We learned about forces and, after testing this out with balloons, we shot rockets across the playground. Then we learned about chemical reactions and how every action has an equal reaction. We used this new knowledge to solve the mystery of the missing slime recipe by eliminating suspects through fingerprints. Lastly, we made our own SLIME!



Art Week fun in Year 5.



Year 6 had a great time honing their sewing skills making these waistcoats, as part of their DT curriculum.

COVID Update

We have had one confirmed positive case of COVID amongst our Reception cohort, so we have had to close Reception until the end of term. No other children are affected. This is a reminder to us all to remain vigilant. As you are aware, from Monday 19th July, we will enter Step 4, with the removal of the COVID restrictions. Please may I urge you, however, to continue to wear masks and maintain social distancing whenever you are on the school premises. We are keeping all of our measures in place until the end of term.

Whilst the guidance is still to get your child tested if they have a temperature of 37.8°C or above, a persistent cough, or a lack of taste or smell, the Delta variant seems to come with other symptoms too. Merton Public Health have advised us to inform you that if you or your child has a headache, sore throat, fatigue, or even vomiting/diarrhoea, then these may also now be COVID symptoms, and should be tested via a PCR test.

If anyone in your household is awaiting test results, then all members of the household should self-isolate until the results are through. If the PCR test result is negative, then of course children may return to school.

COVID Vaccinations

If you have not yet had your COVID vaccination, do look at the attached flyer for venues that you can attend to get your 1st or 2nd dose.

End of term pick-up arrangements

School ends on Thursday 22nd July for all children from Year 1-6. Each year group will finish **one hour earlier** than usual, and pick up will be from the usual pick-up location.

Year Group	Pick-up time on Thursday 22 nd July
1	2.05pm
2	2.10pm
3	2.10pm
4	2.15pm
5	2.20pm
6	2.25pm

Timings for School from September 2021

Nursery

Morning Class – 8.30-11.30

Afternoon Class – 12.30-3.30

Full time Class – 8.30 – 3.30

Lunch will continue to be from 11.30-12.30 for those who have lunch in school

Reception - 8.45-3.15

KS1 (Years 1/2) - 8.45-3.20

KS2 (Years 3 – 6) - 8.45 – 3.25

The gate will open at 8.30 each morning, and a member of staff will be on duty from this time.

Further arrangements for September will be issued next week.

Writing Success - Claudia the Cloud (feat. Jon Bass)

Cecilia, from Year 3, has written a story Claudia the Cloud, which has been featured on the podcast below. Well done Cecilia.

The crew discovers an underwater city and king (Jon Bass) that miiiiight not be the exact one they're looking for. Featuring two new stories: "The Snowball Safe," a story about a girl who discovers an ingenious method to thwart yetis, by Brynn, an 11 year old from Michigan, and "Claudia the Cloud," a story about a shape-shifting cloud that discovers its true purpose, written by an 8-year-old from the UK named Cecilia. For more from the Story Pirates, visit storypirates.com/news Learn more about your ad choices. Visit podcastchoices.com/adchoices

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Young Writer's Competition Success

Many congratulations to everyone who entered the Young Writer's Competition and especially to Halili, Henry, Jemima, Myra, Yusuf and Sara who were commended for their writing. Helene's writing was highly commended and will feature in the anthology.

Return of library books

All library books should now have been returned to school. If you have any library books at home, please can you ensure that these are returned as soon as possible so that we can do a stock check of the library next week.

Librarian Vacancy at Holy Trinity

We are recruiting for a new librarian to work in our school library for 8 hours each week during term time. If you would like more information about this position, please email me at headteacher@holyltrinity.merton.sch.uk

Rediscover Summer and Summer White Rose Maths Resources

The Government have produced an excellent resource with ideas for families to do over the summer and Mrs Witting has added extra ideas. Do see the attached document for further information.

White Rose Maths have also produced some excellent resources too. <https://whiterosemaths.com/morrison/>

Royal Opera House Workshops

This week Year 3 and Year 5 took part in a webinar from the Royal Opera House. All 4 classes thoroughly enjoyed the singing and acting and threw themselves into the storylines, learning song clips from various operas on the way. This autumn their Youth Opera Company are running Welcome Workshops at the Royal Opera House. These will be informal sessions, exploring some opera repertoire in a fun and friendly environment. If your child shows potential in their workshop, they may be invited to join the Youth Opera Company. The YOC are looking for a limited number of children aged 8-11 to join them, but recruitment aside, they aim for these workshops to give all participants a chance to learn new skills and have fun. The Youth Opera Company was established ten years ago and comprises 50 children from Greater London. It's free to take part and children don't need any particular experience to join, just lots of potential, commitment and a passion for singing and acting.

If you are interested in your child taking part, you can sign them up by filling in this form

<https://forms.office.com/r/cjdLHWsYal> by Friday 10th September 2021.

Summer Reading Challenge

The Summer Reading Challenge run by the Merton libraries has started. Click on this link for more information www.wildworldheroes.org.uk

Summer Camps Reminder

Please find attached the flyers for the NEAT and Fitness4Schools sports camps which will be held in school during the summer break. If you have any questions or would like to make a booking, please contact the providers directly.

Worry Ninja Workshops – repeat session for parents

Year 6 pupils over this Summer Term have been taking part in a series of three ‘Becoming a Worry Ninja’ workshops run by the NHS in schools Early Intervention Scheme. The topics included ideas from Cognitive Behavioural Therapy (CBT) for helping understand and manage worries, with exams, assessments and with upcoming transitions to secondary school.

Wednesday the 28th of July 12.00pm – 1.00pm

This workshop is your opportunity to hear about the workshops, go through some of the content, and learn strategies for understanding and supporting your child’s anxiety and worries with the run up to secondary school. To sign up to another opportunity to join this free 1 hour workshop at the beginning of the summer holidays, use the following link (your child can join too if they would like): <https://www.eventbrite.co.uk/e/worry-ninja-parent-workshop-transitioning-year-6-parents-carers-tickets-162252711227>

Parent Training

This is an online course, developed by Public Health England (PHE) that offers training on how to provide practical and emotional support to children and young people affected by emergencies or crisis situations. This is a free 3-hour training for parents, carers and people working with children.

<https://www.futurelearn.com/courses/psychological-first-aid-for-children-and-young-people>

Attached/Linked items:

- Rediscover Summer
- Governor Annual Report
- COVID Vaccination Information

Term dates for 2021-2022

Autumn Term 2021

- First day: Wednesday 1 September 2021
(INSETs Wednesday 1st and Thursday 2nd so children back Friday 3rd)
- Last day: Friday 17 December 2021
- Half term: Monday 25 October to Friday 29 October 2021

Spring Term 2022

- First day: Tuesday 4 January 2022
(INSET Tuesday 4th so children back Wednesday 5th)
- Last day: Friday 1 April 2022
- Half term: Monday 14 February to Friday 18 February 2022

Summer Term 2022

- First day: Tuesday 19 April 2022
- Last day: Friday 22 July 2022
- Half term: Monday 30 May to Friday 3 June 2022
(INSETs Monday 6th June and Friday 22nd July, so children end Thursday 21st July)

As further dates are added, these will be highlighted.

Date	Time	Event
19 th July		Transition afternoon – children will meet their next class teacher Reception transition will take place virtually
20 th /21 st July	Evening	Year 6 Production NB Change of date
22 nd July		Leaver’s Service and Term ends
23 rd July		INSET day

I hope you have an enjoyable weekend.

Izzy Rickards