



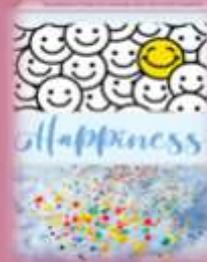
# Newsdesk

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19 November 2025

Virginia Corbyn

Statutory Inspection of Anglican and Methodist Schools (SIAMS) Inspection of Holy Trinity Church of England Primary School, Tulse Hill

Dear Parents and Carers

All Church of England and Methodist schools are inspected approximately every five years by a SIAMS inspector from the Church of England. I will be inspecting your child's school on Wednesday 26 November 2025.

A SIAMS inspection is an opportunity to highlight the impact that the school's Christian vision has on the flourishing of the whole school community. As part of my evidence-gathering I will speak with a range of people, and it is likely that I will speak with some of you as part of those discussions.

Following the inspection, I will write a report. Once the report has been finalised it will be published, and the inspection findings will be shared with you. This will be approximately three weeks after the inspection. The report will celebrate all that is special about the school and will identify next steps that are helpful in the school's ongoing development as a Church school.

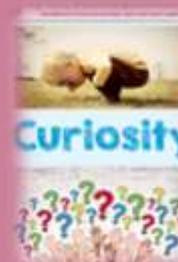
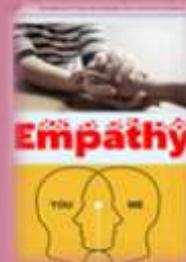
The report will be published on the school's website, as well as on the SIAMS website, and I would encourage you to read it.

I look forward to spending time with the school community.

Kind regards,

Virginia Corbyn

SIAMS Inspector



# Holy Trinity Values Ambassador



Our Pupil Values Ambassadors this week is  
Josephine Osei-Tutu

You show great care, thoughtfulness and empathy  
towards your peers and adults. Well done!



# Holy Trinity Staff Values Ambassador



Our Staff Values Ambassador this week is  
Ms Angeleta Anderson

**You went beyond and above to step into the teacher's**  
shoes this week. We truly appreciate your hard work,  
commitment and dedication. Thank you!



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# JAMAICA APPEAL



**Holy Trinity Church of England Primary School**

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Curiosity Hope **Empathy** RESILIENCE CREATIVITY *happiness*

Upper Tulse Hill, London, SW2 2RL

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Acting Headteacher: Pauline Thomas Acting Deputy Headteacher: Lesley Saddington

18<sup>th</sup> November 2025

Dear Parents, Carers, Staff

I am writing to ask for your support for a cause that is very close to our school community.

As you may be aware, Hurricane Melissa has caused serious damage in parts of Jamaica, and many families are now without basic essentials. Brixton Soup Kitchen, to whom we gave our harvest donation, is coordinating a shipment of barrels to send directly to those affected. I would like us to join Brixton Soup Kitchen in giving to Jamaica.

We will be collecting donations from Thursday 20<sup>th</sup> November 2025 to Friday 28<sup>th</sup> November 2025.

Drop-off Point: School Office

We are asking for donations of the following items:

Food (non-perishable): tinned food, rice, pasta, noodles, oats/porridge, powdered milk, baby formula, sugar, cooking oil, snacks for children

Children's items: toys, games, books, colouring books/pens

Basic household and hygiene items: new towels, new washcloths, soap, toothpaste, toothbrushes, sanitary products, baby wipes, detergent, antiseptic creams

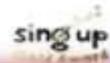
Practical items: work gloves, torches/flashlights (with batteries), power banks, tarpaulins if available

This is a wonderful opportunity for our school to show compassion and global citizenship in a very practical way. A single bag of rice, a bar of soap, or a small toy can make a real difference to a family rebuilding after the hurricane.

Thank you in advance for your kindness and generosity as always.

Kind regards,

Ms Thomas  
Headteacher



As a school, our thoughts and prayers are with everyone in Jamaica who has been affected by Hurricane Melissa. Many have lost close relatives, friends, properties destroyed, livelihoods erased and much more. As a School we are committed to doing our part in helping to rebuild lives in Jamaica, through our partnership with Brixton Soup Kitchen.

Please if you are yet to respond to the above appeal, we appeal to you to once again, if you are able to contribute, please send items by the set date to the school office. Thereafter, all donations will be delivered to The Soup Kitchen for shipment to Jamaica

Every contribution, big or small, helps rebuild lives.  
Thank you and have a wonderful weekend

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# CLASS IN ACTION

Cheetah Class at a glance!



Ms. Maddox delivered an interactive and engaging English lesson

Pupils demonstrated a depth of understanding through their active participation and enthusiasm for learning.



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# REFLECTION



As we prepare for advent which begins on the 30th of November through to Christmas Eve, let us begin to prepare our minds as to what this season might mean for you and I.

Let us ponder and reflect upon these questions:

- \* What is the significance of advent in its entirety?
- \* What does it mean to you as an individual?
- \* How will you prepare for this season?

Lord we thank you for the end of this week.

Thank you for our children and families, for many that have travelled especially during this cold season, and you have kept them safe.

We are grateful for the many favours, provisions and comforts you provide for us

We spare a moment to think of less privileged people, those in the middle of conflicts all around the world, and those whose lives have been blighted by natural disasters.

Father we pray for your divine provision.

As we begin to prepare ourselves to embrace the advent season, we ask that your Holy Spirit will give us the insight as to what the season means and may we respond in ways that allows your light to shine.

Father, as the weekend approaches, we ask that you keep our children and families safe.

In Jesus mighty name we pray. Amen

Have a restful and blessed weekend

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# COMMUNITY NEWS

## Beginners Keyboard Classes - **FREE**

Soundsteps Music School

Mondays 4pm - 6pm and Fridays 6pm - 7pm

Longfield Hall, 50 Knatchbull Road, SE5 9QY

Start your child's keyboard journey at Longfield Hall. The aim is to put the fun back into education ensuring all students learn music in a social fun environment.

In Soundsteps classes your child will:

- learn to read and write music from their very first session
- have an instrument provided for every lesson, at every centre with no sharing
- receive a fully comprehensive music education, including aural and theory
  - get end of term feedback, through our fun, internal exams
  - have opportunities to enter internationally recognised exams
  - get online learning resources, to help continue the fun at home!

## Winter Market - **FREE / Low Cost**

Now until Sunday 4<sup>th</sup> January 2026

Craft traders: 11am - 9pm. Food traders: 11am - 10pm

Closed on 25<sup>th</sup> & 31<sup>st</sup> December and 1<sup>st</sup> January

Stroll along the Thames and sample indulgent drinks and scrumptious street food from their traditional alpine-style chalets. With pop-up bars, street food stalls and independent craft traders beneath twinkling lights,

South Bank Centre, Belvedere Road, SE1 8XX

<https://www.southbankcentre.co.uk/venues/royal-festival-hall/>

## Winter Light - **FREE**

Now until Sunday 18<sup>th</sup> January 2026

Riverside Terrace, Level 2

Over the dark winter nights, their site will be illuminated by outdoor artworks that play with light and colour - explore to discover them all. Each artist uses light and colour in playful ways, at the same time exploring topics at the forefront of society, such as individual and collective identity, the environment and technology.

South Bank Centre, Belvedere Road, SE1 8XX

<https://www.southbankcentre.co.uk/venues/royal-festival-hall/>

## Battersea - **FREE**

Tuesday 2 December - 6:30pm - 8:00pm (lights switch-on at 6:45pm)

Battersea Square

Carols in The Square: singing by local schools and choirs,  
Christmas lights switch-on.

## Southfields - **FREE**

Wednesday 3<sup>rd</sup> December, Christmas market from 3pm - 6:30pm.

Schools singing on stage at 4:30pm. Lights switch-on at 5pm

Southfields

Mini Christmas market stalls, singing by local schools and Christmas lights switch-on.

## Tooting - **FREE**

Thursday 4<sup>th</sup> December - 4pm - 8pm (lights switch-on at 4:30pm)

Church Lane, Tooting

Outdoor Christmas market in church grounds, performances from local schools,  
live music and Christmas tree lights switch-on.

## Bellevue Road - **FREE**

Friday 5<sup>th</sup> December - 4pm - 5pm (lights switch-on at 4:30pm)

Bellevue Road

Finston School and Trinity Road Chapel singing carol,  
Christmas lights switch-on.

## Furzedown - **FREE**

Friday 5<sup>th</sup> December 3pm - 5:30pm (lights switch-on at 4pm)

Furzedown

Local schools singing and Christmas lights switch-on.

## Wandsworth - **FREE**

Saturday 6<sup>th</sup> December - Lights switch on at 5pm

Southside pizza

There is no event just lights switch-on.

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# COMMUNITY NEWS

Winter Breeze 2025 the December school holidays BootCamp  
@CEF lynx is now open for Applications  
Monday 22<sup>nd</sup> to Wednesday 24<sup>th</sup> December 2025  
Monday 29<sup>th</sup> to Wednesday 31<sup>st</sup> December 2025

Aged 7 to 15 years olds.

Offering a safe space filled with sports, creative activities, fun learning, food etc. A space where children/young people can come to take part in a range of sports and recreational activities that keeps their energy intact ready for the new term.

Closing date for applications is Friday 12<sup>th</sup> December 2025 at midnight!  
Green Hut, Brixton Windmill Gardens, Bleaheim Gardens, SW2 5DA  
<https://www.cef.org.uk/register> email [community7@CEF.org.uk](mailto:community7@CEF.org.uk)

Light up your festive season with Christmas light-switch-ons and shopping events taking place across the borough.

Clapham Junction - **FREE**

Friday 21<sup>st</sup> November - lights switch-on at 5pm

Clapham Junction

There is no event just lights switch-on.

Northcote Road - **FREE**

Friday 21<sup>st</sup> November - 3pm - 5pm (lights switch-on at 5pm)

Northcote Road and Abyssinia Close

Carol singing by local schools and Christmas lights switch-on.

Roehampton - **FREE**

Thursday 27<sup>th</sup> November - 3pm - 4:30pm (lights switch-on at 3:45pm)

Danebury Avenue, Roehampton

Carol singing by local schools and Christmas lights switch-on.

Putney - **FREE**

Friday 28<sup>th</sup> November - lights switch-on at 6pm

Putney

There is no event just lights switch-on.

Ice sculptures around the town centre.

Saturday 29<sup>th</sup> November - all day

Putney Town Centre

<https://positiveputney.co.uk/christmas-in-putney-2025/>

Balham - **FREE**

Sunday 30<sup>th</sup> November - 1pm - 5pm (lights switch-on at 5pm)

Bedford Hill

Singing by local schools and choirs and Christmas lights switch-on.

Patricia Henry Christ Church Streatham ([p.henry@ccsprimary.org.uk](mailto:p.henry@ccsprimary.org.uk))  
Rachel Thomas, Windmill Cluster ([rthomas@sulbourne.com](mailto:rthomas@sulbourne.com))



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TRY A CLASS  
FOR FREE



## Now showing, **CONFIDENCE!**

Drama, dance & singing classes  
designed to help 4-12 year olds shine

**“My son has adored his first term at Perform.  
He has blossomed and I've seen his confidence grow every week.”**

Pippa Wotton



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## Mental Elf Festive 5k Fun Run

South East  
London  
 mind



11am Sunday 30 November  
Crystal Palace Park

**Everyone can take part – it's all about the fun!**

- Don't miss the pre-run warm up with PureGym Sydenham
- National Trust family day pass for every entry
- Raffle - prizes include designer handbags and restaurant vouchers

**Sign up today:**

**[selmind.org.uk/mental-elf](http://selmind.org.uk/mental-elf)**

All funds raised directly support local people with mental health problems and dementia.

**Prize  
for best  
dressed elf!  
Medal for  
all runners**



# COMMUNITY NEWS



Heather from Spinnaker delivered collective worship all about goodness, based on the story of Ruth. She used the imagery of an apple to remind us to always look for the goodness in people and asked 'How can you show goodness to those around you today?'

Followed by this short Prayer:  
Thank you for your goodness to us.  
Help us to show goodness to others,  
by putting their needs before ours,  
by being selfless.

Show us opportunities where we can do good and give us the strength and knowledge to do so.

Let us be shinnying apples full of goodness to give! Amen

## SPINNAKER



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# ONLINE SAFETY NEWSFLASH

## Cyberbullying Advice

Children being bullied online, particularly in games and via messaging apps, remains one of the top concerns of many parents and their children. Internet Matters have a range of guides and articles to support parents and carers which I have listed below

- Talking to children and conversation tips for ages 6-10, 11-13, 14-17 and vulnerable children - <https://www.internetmatters.org/issues/cyberbullying/cyberbullying-conversation-starter-guide/>
- What is cyberbullying and what are the signs - <https://www.internetmatters.org/issues/cyberbullying/learn-about-it/>
- Helpful ways to prevent cyberbullying - <https://www.internetmatters.org/issues/cyberbullying/protect-your-child/>
- How to deal with cyberbullying - <https://www.internetmatters.org/issues/cyberbullying/protect-your->

www.internetmatters.org

## Punctuality News

Bear Class	Good	93%
Lynx Class	Excellent	96%
Panther Class	Excellent	99%
Cheetah Class	Good	90%
Lion Class	Good	90%
Tiger Class	Good	94%

Our registers close at 9am every day.



EVERY  
MINUTE  
COUNTS

Better late  
than never,  
but never late  
is better.



# IMPORTANT DATES FOR YOUR DIARIES



## Holy Trinity Church of England Primary School

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### 2025 - 2026 Term Dates

Term	Start Date	Finish Date	Number of Days
<b>Autumn One</b>			
Term One (2025)	Wednesday 3 <sup>rd</sup> September Children return to school <i>Monday 1<sup>st</sup> and Tuesday 2<sup>nd</sup> September – 2 INSET Days</i>	Friday 24 <sup>th</sup> October	38 days
Holiday	Monday 27 <sup>th</sup> October	Friday 31 <sup>st</sup> October 2025	
<b>Autumn Two</b>			
Term Two	Monday 3 <sup>rd</sup> November	Thursday 18 <sup>th</sup> December <i>Friday 19<sup>th</sup> December INSET Day</i>	34 days
Holiday	Monday 22 <sup>nd</sup> December	Friday 2 <sup>nd</sup> January 2026	
<b>Spring One</b>			
Term Three (2026)	Tuesday 6 <sup>th</sup> January Children return to school <i>Monday 5<sup>th</sup> – INSET Day</i>	Friday 13 <sup>th</sup> February	29 days
Holiday	Monday 16 <sup>th</sup> February	Friday 20 <sup>th</sup> February 2026	
<b>Spring Two</b>			
Term Four	Monday 23 <sup>rd</sup> February	Friday 27 <sup>th</sup> March	25 days
Holiday	Monday 30 <sup>th</sup> March	Friday 10 <sup>th</sup> April 2026	
<b>Summer One</b>			
Term Five	Monday 13 <sup>th</sup> April	Friday 22 <sup>nd</sup> May	29 days
Bank Holiday	Monday 25 <sup>th</sup> May 2026		
Holiday	Tuesday 26 <sup>th</sup> May	Friday 29 <sup>th</sup> May 2026	
<b>Summer Two</b>			
Term Six	Monday 1 <sup>st</sup> June	Friday 17 <sup>th</sup> July <i>Monday 20<sup>th</sup> July 2026 INSET</i>	35 days
			Total = 195 days Total Teaching Days = 190 Days

**Thank you for your generosity.**