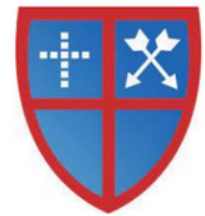


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## HEADTEACHER'S MESSAGE

Dear Parents, Carers, and Pupils,

As we approach the half-term break, I want to thank everyone for their hard work and dedication this term. I hope you all enjoy a well-earned rest, and we look forward to welcoming pupils back on **Monday, 4th November**.

I'm excited to share that, thanks to last year's fundraising efforts – including the incredible £5k raised at the Summer Fair – the PTA has met its target for phase 1 of the lower playground refurbishment project. During the break, work will begin on the **auditorium** and **maze areas**, and we are also installing new canopies in the Reception area to enhance outdoor learning for our youngest pupils. These projects will create vibrant spaces for our students, and we'll keep you updated on future developments and how the community can get involved. Please see our website for the playground plans.

We are celebrating Black History Month, with various activities that explore the contributions of Black individuals throughout history. After half term children will share the work done on their chosen Black History changemaker.

I'm also thrilled to introduce our newly elected School Council members, listed on page 2. These pupils will represent their peers and help shape decisions that affect school life. Their leadership and ideas will have a big impact, and I look forward to seeing what they achieve.

A quick note for our netball team, coached by Chris from Clapham Netball. Their first match after half-term will be on 16th November at Harris Academy. Good luck, Macaulay netballers!

Lastly I'm also excited to remind you that we will be holding our International Afternoon on **Friday, 8th November**. This is a fantastic opportunity for our community to celebrate and share the rich cultural diversity within our school. We invite everyone to come together for an afternoon of fun, food, and cultural exchange!

Wishing everyone a relaxing half-term break, and we look forward to seeing you back in November!

Warm regards,  
Susan Eade

## SCHOOL VALUES

Our School Value this term is;

# Compassion

As God's chosen people, holy and dearly loved, clothe yourselves with compassion, kindness, humility, gentleness and patience.  
- Colossians 3:12 -

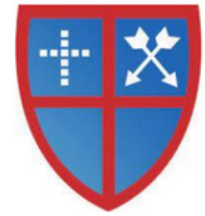


## GOODBYE FROM MS LARKING

Dear Parents and Carers,  
As I retire and move to Australia, I am grateful to have ended my career at Macaulay. Macaulay is truly a special school with wonderful children, dedicated staff and supportive parents. The Christian values which underpins the ethos of the school are evident daily. The high standards of teaching and learning is a credit to the staff and the children achieve well. My experience at Macaulay has made the last year of my career truly memorable. I will miss everyone.

Date for diaries  
Meet the new SENCO Wednesday 13th November  
@ 8.45am

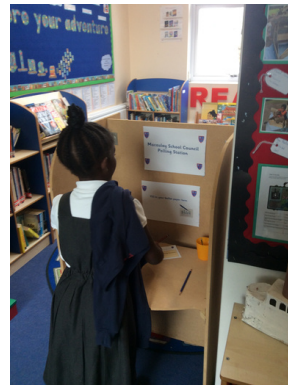
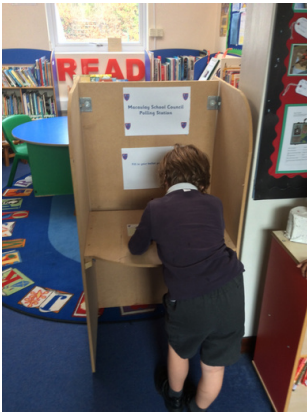
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## PUPIL VOICE

Pupil voice gives our learners the opportunity to play an active role in decisions that affect them. Pupils are encouraged to plan and review the actions they have taken as well as being responsible for how this will happen.

## SCHOOL COUNCIL VOTING



The children buzzed with excitement as they prepared for the school council election. The students shared a thrill in participating in democracy, eager to make their voices heard and shape their school's future.

## INTRODUCING THE NEW SCHOOL COUNCIL!



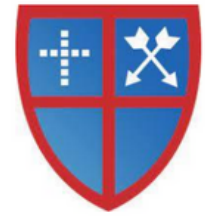
The School Council is made up of members from each class. This group of children will meet regularly and at these meetings they will have the opportunity to discuss and implement ideas that could help improve the school.



**24-25  
Elected**

- Yr 1 - Felix & Olive**
- Yr 2 - Zadi & Chace**
- Yr 3 - Evelyn & Tobias**
- Yr 4 - Sade & Abraham**
- Yr 5 - Sophie & Jacob**
- Yr 6 - Leonie & Ismail**

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## PUPIL VOICE

### Y5 PLAY LEADERS 24/25



Our new Year 5 and 6 play leaders are here to help everyone enjoy playtime to the fullest, making sure every pupil feels included and has a friend to play with.

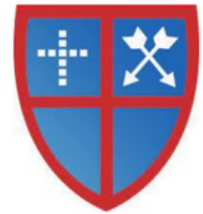
They help to organise games and lending a hand whenever needed.

We are extremely grateful that we have pupils so keen to work with the younger children

### Y6 PLAY LEADERS 24/25



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## BLACK HISTORY MONTH

As part of our ongoing commitment to a curriculum that reflects the rich diversity of our society, we have been learning about influential Black figures during Black History Month. We explored the incredible talents of Stephen Wiltshire, a renowned artist with an extraordinary gift for drawing; the groundbreaking achievements of Cath Johnson, a pioneering figure in science; the inspiring stories of civil rights icons like Rosa Parks and Floella Benjamin, and the enduring legacy of Nelson Mandela, whose fight for justice and equality changed the world.



We are also thrilled to share that next term, we will be welcoming MP Bell Ribeiro-Addy for a special visit, offering us the chance to hear firsthand about her experiences and contributions.



It's important to note that while we dedicated October to celebrating Black History Month, our school consistently recognizes and honors the contributions of Black people throughout the year. Our curriculum is designed to reflect the importance of Black history, ensuring that these significant stories and voices are studied and valued in every term.



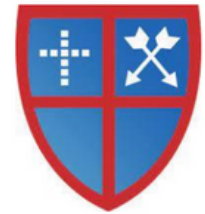
# BLACK HISTORY MONTH



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## BLACK HISTORY MONTH

### PTA International Afternoon

We are thrilled to invite you to our International Afternoon, celebrating cultural diversity through food, on **Friday, November 8th at 3:15 pm.**

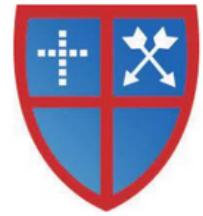
We warmly encourage families to bring traditional dishes to share with our community.

If you'd like to contribute a dish, please reach out to your class representative or contact Sue Rowland, parent of Harry (Year 5) and Freddy (Year 2).

We look forward to sharing this wonderful afternoon with you!



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## BLACK HISTORY MONTH YEAR 1

Laurie Cunningham  
 one of the first black players to play for England  
 From Jamaica Good at dancing kept on trying  
 West Bromwich Albion  
 Inspiration Lived in London  
 1956-1987

FOOTBALL

George Yr 1

Our Year 1 students have been learning about changemakers from Black history! They chose inspiring individuals, created posters filled with interesting facts, and learned about the powerful impact these figures have had on the world. Here's a look at some of their fantastic work!

Floella Benjamin

She is an actress, singer, TV presenter and writer of childrens books.  
 Floella was born in Trinidad a Caribbean island.  
 She came to the UK in 1960 and when she was 10, - Floella became a tv presenter on a childrens tv show called 'Play School'  
 - Floella has been to Buckingham Palace

Jermaine Yr 1

Maryseacore

Maryseacore : was a British nurse she came from Jamaica to help the sick soldiers in the war.

Rhys Yr 1

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## WHAT'S ON!

**Light Party**

Thursday 31<sup>st</sup> October  
4:15pm to 6pm

Join us at Holy Trinity Clapham for our Light Party - a fun evening for families and children, full of free activities and entertainment!

Fancy dress: come as something you want to be when you're older!

Holy Trinity Clapham Church  
SW4 0QZ



### Kids

Fun drop-off spaces for children to meet with God through prayer and Bible stories! With, singing, crafts, snacks and games.

Trinity House Clapham

#### KS1 After-School Club

Reception to Year 2  
Thursday 3.45-4.45pm

#### KS2 Connect Group

Years 3 to 5  
Thursday 5-6pm

### Youth

Fun, food and Bible teaching.

Trinity House Clapham

#### Youth Connect

Years 6 to 9  
Monday 6-7.15pm  
Years 10 to 13  
Monday 7.30-9pm

### Families

Parents and carers of young ones connecting over coffee and cake, whilst their kids play and have a sing-song.

Trinity House Clapham

#### Trinity Babies

0 to 18 months  
Wednesday 10.45-11.45am

#### Trinity Toddlers

18 months to 4s  
Thursday 9.30-10.30am  
Thursday 10.30-11.30am

### Sundays

#### Morning Services

9.30am\* & 11.15am  
Lively, contemporary services at with activities for 0-14s, and a café in between.

\*This service is also live-streamed

Holy Trinity Clapham



Trinity House Clapham  
31-33 Bromell's Rd  
SW4 0BN

Holy Trinity Clapham  
Clapham Common North Side  
SW4 0QZ