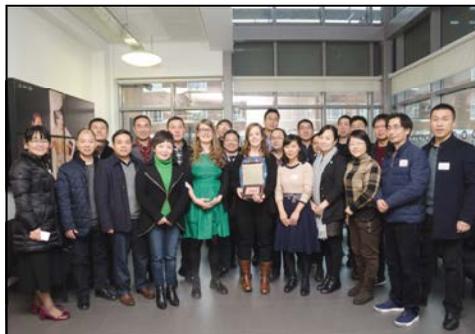


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SCHOOL AIM

“To provide a Christian environment in which young people are safe, secure, cared for and happy, and are able to develop into articulate, confident and well qualified citizens of the world.”



International Links

Last week, nineteen teachers from China, together with their organisers, spent a day in Trinity touring the school, taking part in lessons and generally sampling life in an urban school. Two photographs, above, show our visitors in the company of Ms Katy Walker, our International Links Coordinator and our Head of Modern Languages, Ms Cecile Jones. Elsewhere, last week, students returned to lessons and it was back to work for everyone, as the other photographs, above, show. Good luck to everyone for a successful 2017.

Attending School Regularly

The figures, below, show form by form attendance for the first term, September - Christmas, 2016. Although the overall figure is high, 96.5%, it is slightly below last years total of 96.8%.

YEAR 7	YEAR 8	YEAR 9	YEAR 10	YEAR 11
DHE 98.3%	CJO 97.8%	RDU 97.6%	KWA 97.7%	BLA 98.3%
ESC 98.0%	JPL 97.1%	TCA 97.4%	SBA 97.0%	AHA 97.7%
STR 98.0%	MKI 96.9%	RMO 97.4%	LPI 96.9%	NBA 97.6%
KTH 97.9%	LBA 96.7%	GSC 96.6%	JMU 96.9%	PDA 97.1%
LHA 97.8%	GSH 96.4%	MST 96.4%	CNO 96.8%	GGR 96.8%
SMC 97.5%	AGO 96.3%	RGO 94.6%	CCO 95.5%	NTH 95.8%
FJO 97.5%	LBR 95.9%	RCO 93.3%	DSI 94.9%	REM 95.8%
AUZ 97.1%	SLA 94.4%	SBU 90.5%	TSU 94.7%	SCL 93.9%

Congratulations, in particular, to 7DHE and 11BLA who have the highest attendance with 98.3%. In Year 12 (Sixth Form) the average attendance for the six forms is 95.8%.

A Healthy Start

Although the vast majority of boys and girls buy their midday meal from school and, incidentally, we comply with all healthy food and drink expectations, our Catering Manager, Mr Clegg, offers this healthy packed lunch alternative:

- Starchy foods such as wholemeal bread, wraps, pasta or rice.
- Protein foods such as meat, fish, eggs or beans.
- Dairy items such as cheese or yoghurt.
- Vegetables, salad and a piece of fruit.
- Drinks such as water, no added sugar fruit juice or semi skimmed milk.

Putting all this together, a tasty and healthy packed lunch could be tuna salad sandwich on wholemeal bread, plain popcorn, grapes and apple juice.

During the school year, we always have a number of "themed" menus, the next one being to celebrate the Chinese New Year. If anyone has any special requests, see either Mr Clegg or me and we will endeavour to accommodate your wishes.

Sporting Achievements

Well done to our boys and girls basketball teams, shown below, who have been successful in their recent Manchester schools' fixtures. Three of the teams have now reached their respective "finals".



Engineering Experience

Twenty five Year 11 boys and girls recently spent their afternoon at the University of Manchester's School of Mechanics, Aerospace and Civil Engineering, programming robots and learning from the university students. A great opportunity for our senior students to meet university students and to see, at first hand, a top ranking "Russell Group" university.



Year 11 Mock Examinations Results Day

This took place on Friday, 13th January, and was an opportunity for our Year 11s to receive the results and begin their preparation for the “real” GCSEs, to follow later this year. Many Year 11s are also making decisions for life after Year 11. Please be aware that applications to the Trinity Sixth Form have to be handed in no later than Tuesday, 31st January.



And Finally.....

.....I took up the position as Head of Trinity in September, 2005, and, during the last 11-12 years, I have been very pleased with the progress we have made; the continued popularity and success of the school and the major projects that have now been completed. I have therefore decided that this will be my last year at Trinity and I will be leaving at the end of this school year. Over the next few weeks, the governors will be going through the process of appointing my successor, to take up the position on 1st September, 2017.

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