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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.”



Year 7 'Teams@Tatton'

Continuing our transition process into secondary school, on Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday and Friday of last week we bussed students into Cheshire and visited one of the grand National Trust country estates – Tatton Park. The students were divided into groups and took part in some team building activities, such as den building and the ‘egg rocket challenge’, some competitive sports games and some mentally challenging activities like escaping from the famous maze. Students also enjoyed visits to the beautiful Japanese gardens and the ‘Tatton Farm’. Mrs Ripley, Senior Tutor for Year 7 said; “A hugely enjoyable trip, I met every student in every form and our Year 7s were able to make new friends, challenge themselves and learn a lot about the great outdoors”.

Year 11 In The Sixth Form

Our Year 11 tours of the Sixth Form concluded earlier this week. Each class was allocated six current sixth formers who took our Year 11s through classrooms to sample the 'studious atmosphere' and be able to ask their questions without the teachers listening! Clearly there are differences between the main school and Sixth Form – two simple ones are that sixth formers are allowed out of college at lunchtime (but must be back for the afternoon session), and sixth formers do not wear school uniform but must abide by our dress code.



Lemn Sissay Performance

Course Director of English, Mr Cornick, tells us about an exciting opportunity that took place for some Y9 students, right on Trinity's doorstep!

“On Friday, 6th October, teachers from the English department and 120 Year 9 students were treated to a performance of poetry by award winning Manchester poet Lemn Sissay at the University of Manchester. From the moment Lemn Sissay walked into the auditorium our Trinity students were captivated and made their presence known with rapturous applause. Although there were five other schools at the event, Lemn Sissay, (also Chancellor of the University of Manchester - see photo on the next page) was clearly impressed by our Year 9's enthusiasm singling out our students and giving a "shout out" to Trinity High.

After performing a few of his inspiring poems, Lemn Sissay passed a microphone round for a Q&A session. As expected, our students who are taught to have confidence, got on the microphone and asked a number of questions pertaining to his poetry and his life in care. Both the Year 9 students and the English staff enjoyed Lemn Sissay's performance and I am sure it has inspired a number of our students to pick up a pen and write their own."



Year 7 Parents' Evening With Form Tutors

We were delighted to see that 90% of Year 7 parents were able to attend the parents' evening with form tutors last week. The photo on the right, below, shows Head of Year 7, Ms Ripley and Head of Key Stage 3, Ms Baxendale, welcoming parents to the evening.



And Finally...

...last Friday afternoon, a whole school evacuation took place, as part of an organised fire drill. As the fire alarm sounded, all students and staff left the school buildings in a calm and orderly manner to line up on the courts and playground in form groups. Registers were taken and students were able to return to lessons once everybody had been accounted for. The below photos show the organised drill as it developed.



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