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“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.”

Flying High with Peter Pan!



Trinity High School Drama are proud to present the cast for our upcoming school production, 'Wendy and Peter Pan'.

The cast the crew and the musicians have been working incredibly hard this academic year on this production and everyone is excited to share their hard work with you all.

Performance dates are 8th, 9th and 10th March 2023 at 7pm in the Drama Studio. Tickets are available to purchase on the website via ParentPay for £4 each. Be sure to get your tickets before they sell out!

Eucharist



We were blessed to have Revd Kathreen Shabaz celebrate the Candlemas Eucharist in school last Friday. Revd Shabaz is a current Trinity parent and presently Curate at Brunswick Parish Church. The service provided the opportunity to reflect on 'The Light of Jesus' in this Season of Ephiny. Revd Shabaz brought a reflection on the power of God's light shining through our lives, reminding us that 'a candle losing nothing by lighting another candle' and challenging us to share with others the light God gave us.

Languages - Unlocking Your World

Before half term students were assembled in the Interactive Lecture Theatre for a presentation about the benefits of learning languages. In particular learning Spanish or French at GCSE. The talk was presented by Sonja Bernhard from the University of Manchester over two sessions for Spanish and French. In each session, Sonja was accompanied by students from the University of Manchester who were studying varying university courses including Spanish and Portuguese, Marketing and Spanish, French and Chinese and Business and French.



Trinity students were encouraged to think about the benefits and prospects of learning a language in our society today as well as the opportunities it could bring in their lives. One of the main points discussed was that languages open many doors with this famous quote being shared. "*One language sets you in a corridor for life, two languages open every door along the way.*" (Franck Smith, Psycholinguist). At the end of the session pupils asked many questions to our guests including the reasons they chose to study languages.

More information can be accessed about the year 9 Options process on the school website. There are some short introductory videos for Spanish and French which are worth looking at. Thank you to Ms Knight for organising an informative a thought provoking event.

Sparx Maths



Students at Trinity use Sparx Maths to complete their homework each week. As well as the tasks set by their teachers, students are able to complete additional work and gain XP Boost points as well as deepening their understanding of Maths. The students shown in the picture and a number of other students have achieved the top three positions in their year group for XP Boost points during Term 1. Congratulations to all the students and in particular the winners of each Year Group: Neha Y7, Mohammed Y8, Chibuzo Y9, Joy Y10 and Orion Y11.

Sporting news

In the Manchester Schools' Badminton competition our KS4 girls Anna and Mikayla played very well and were narrowly defeated while Kristine and Emily from KS3 finished 2nd and 3rd place in their competition.

Our year 9 and 10 netball teams travelled to Didsbury and showed great teamwork to win both matches. Player of the matches were Ijlal and Irene, well done girls!

In the year 9 Girls' Manchester Football Cup the Trinity girls were up against a very strong St Paul's team and were 1-0 down with 15 minutes to play. However, they showed fantastic skill, strength and determination, winning 3-1 with Joan scoring a hat-trick.

Debate Mate

Thank you to Ms O'kell who took twelve Trinity students to compete in the first round of the DebateMate' Urban Debate League'. We are incredibly proud of their accomplishments, competing in debates against seven other local schools.

A particular big well done to the novice team, which is made up of Year 7 and 8 students who are new to debating. Their professional presentations and brilliant rebuttals won them their very first debate.



Anticipating Roadworks

We have been informed that Higher Cambridge Street from outside of school through to where it meets the Mancunian Way is going to be **re-surfaced during half term and continuing for a few days after.** This will mean that the road will reduce to one lane under



traffic signal control. Be aware, this will cause **severe congestion** in the roads around school and parents **will not** be able to use this area of Higher Cambridge Street to drop off or pick up. Please arrange an alternative location if your child is travelling by car.

The staff carparks are both on barrier controls and should not be used for dropping or picking up - sorry, we simply do not have the space.

And finally...

It has been a very busy half term. Parents' Evenings, options chosen, Big Tests, Mock Exams all squeezed into less than six weeks! I really do think the staff at school need great thanks for their continued efforts to support your children and young adults both academically and pastorally. I noted in my first newsletter just how important it was that everyone in our community felt 'safe and respected' - one of our Trinity Together' values. I am pleased to report to you that our 'noticeable increase in sanctions' have only been used once this half term - it appears that students are recognising their responsibilities to each other and keeping the atmosphere in school very positive.

The next day of strike action by teachers is on Tuesday 28th February 2023. For this strike day we are expecting all Y11's to be in school. In addition to this, we will be open for the groups that attended on the last strike day - our students with specific reasons to be attending (our invited list) and those of 'critical workers'. We will send a form for parents and carers to complete to apply for a place after half term.

I wish all our students and their families a very happy half term break.

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