TRINITY CHURCH OF ENGLAND HIGH SCHOOL

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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."

The Blair Project

Head of KS4, Mr Cann, tells us more: "On Wednesday 26th and Thursday 27th February, we welcomed 'The Blair Project' into school. During the course of the two days, every Year 8 form group had a one-hour session focused on STEM related activities (Science, Technology, Engineering and Maths). In addition to the activities, students had the opportunity to engage with University of Manchester undergraduate students who are currently studying for a degree in a STEM related subject. Our visitors spoke very highly of the levels of passion and engagement from the students and I am hopeful that this will be an event we can run again in the future."

Important Information re. Illegal Sweets and Drinks

The Chartered Trading Standards Institute has issued a warning regarding certain imported sweets and fizzy drinks that can be associated with serious health concerns.

The Local Authority are taking this very seriously, and the Council's Environmental Health team are seizing illegal products from local shops. We therefore wanted to make parents aware so that you/your children do not buy these products.

More information can be found below and on the council's website: [Illegal imported sweets and drinks warning | Illegal imported sweets and drinks warning | Manchester City Council]

ILLEGAL

Imported sweets and drinks warning

MANCHESTER CITY COUNCIL

What are the risks?

Some imported sweets and drinks contain additives and ingredients that are banned in the UK because they are linked to:

- Hyperactivity
- Behavioural problems
- Cancer
- Kidney and other organ damage
- Heart problems
- Making insulin response less effective
- Nausea, vomiting, diarrhoea, loss of appetite, stomach cramps
- Copper deficiency
- Headaches
- Dizziness
- Nutrient deficiencies and reduced immune function.

What to look out for

Banned ingredients to look out for:

- Brominated vegetable oil (BVO)
- E127, erythrosine (shown on US products as Red 3)
- Mineral oil – this carries the risk of contamination with other compounds that are capable of forming cancers
- Bleached flour.

The following additives can cause hyperactivity and behavioural problems in children. There should be a warning on the packaging to state this.

- Sunset yellow FCF (E110)
- Quinoline yellow (E104)
- Carmoisine (E122)
- Allura red (E129)
- Tartrazine (E102)
- Ponceau 4R (E124).

The following additives are allowed in food but not in drinks:

- Calcium disodium EDTA (E385) – in animal studies it caused adverse reproductive and developmental effects and in mice has been shown to contribute to cancer of the colon
- Erythorbic acid (E315).

Some examples of imported food and drinks that have been found to contain banned additives and ingredients are shown below. Some of these brands have products intended for the UK market and comply with legislation. Check the ingredients to make sure the product you're buying doesn't contain any of the additives listed on the other side of this newsletter.

Jolly Rancher Hard Candy

Twizzlers Rainbow Twists

Fanta Pineapple

Hostess Twinkies

Jolly Rancher Gummies original

Chewy Lemonhead

Mtn Dew

Hostess Golden Cupcakes

Jolly Rancher Lollipops

Lemonhead Original Candy

Mirinda

Pillsbury Funfetti Cake Mix

Swedish Fish

Hot Tamales

Sunny D

Prime Hydration

Swedish Fish mini Tropical

Cheetos Crunchy

Sunny D Orange Strawberry

Van Holten's pickles

Twizzlers Strawberry Twists

Takis Blue Heat

We're working hard to protect consumers by removing these products from local shops and educating shopkeepers about the dangers. If you see a product with one of the banned ingredients, please report it to **contact@manchester.gov.uk**

Details have also been sent out to parents via Class Charts today. Thank you for your cooperation and vigilance.

Parent Governor Appointment

Following the vacancy that was advertised in our newsletter towards the end of last year, we are pleased to report that Thirza Amina Asanga-Rae has been appointed as a new parent governor, following approval by our Full Governing Body at their meeting last week. You can find out more information about our governing body and its structure on the 'governors' section of our website: **www.trinityhigh.com/about-us/governors**

And Finally…

...please save the date! Our Music Department is busy planning our annual anniversary concert at the Royal Northern College of Music, which will take place from 7pm on Wednesday, 23rd April, 2025. The below were taken from our magnificent event in 2024.

Mr Julian Nicholls
Head