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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.”



KS3 Music and Awards Evening

It may be a shorter than usual week in school, but we have a special extended edition of the newsletter for our readers in this final week of the school year. To start with, Mrs Madden, Director of Music, tells us all about the KS3 Music and Awards Evening:

“On 16th July, we were treated to a musical spectacular by over 100 Year 7 - 9 musicians and singers at our end of year music celebration evening. We enjoyed performances from Y7 - 9 Steel Pans, Y8 - 9 Band Skills, Training Guitars & Ukuleles, Junior Brass Band, Woodwind Group, and the debut of our Saxophone Ensemble. Throughout the evening, we were wowed by the technical skill and confidence of several Year 9 soloists who performed on

piano, voice, guitar, clarinet, violin and drum kit and were absolutely amazing, inspiring our Year 7s and 8s for the future.

Certificates and awards were presented to Year 9s who have made a committed and ongoing contribution to extra-curricular music throughout their time in Key Stage 3, and particular congratulations go to Tilly, Eva, Victoria, Giovanni, Sam and Ninah, who received a special award for being dedicated to 5 or more ensembles during Y7 - 9! All the students who performed showed great confidence and brought happiness and joy to the proud audience! Well done to all."

Year 7 Arts Week



Director of Music, Mrs Madden, tells us more:

"Year 7 enjoyed a fantastic week of creative and artistic activities during Arts Week. We are so proud of them for enthusiastically throwing themselves into such a wide range of experiences, many of which they had never tried before!

The students worked in groups of 20 children who had chosen the same artistic pathway - they loved making new friends and exploring new ideas with like-minded people and professional experts.

Throughout the week, the Year 7s excelled at projects in school such as

Ceramics, DJing, Band Skills, Music Theatre, Circus Skills, Music and Media, Stop Motion Animation and Drama. Every group also enjoyed a trip to Z-Arts in Hulme, where they took part in Drumming, Dancing and Spoken Word workshops, as well as playing on the park and taking turns on the swing.

Several groups also experienced cultural trips to Manchester city centre, visiting HOME theatre, Castlefield Viaduct, Central Library, Manchester Art Gallery and the Bridgewater Hall. They were all superb ambassadors for Trinity.

On the final day, over 120 students performed live on stage as part of our Celebration Showcase event, with acting, dancing, singing, poetry and bands showing off the skills they had learned throughout the week, to rapturous applause! We also enjoyed a slideshow of their incredible sculpture and movie work and awarded Stars of the Week to over 25 students who were nominated for embracing all the opportunities so enthusiastically and demonstrating Trinity Together values all week.

A wonderful time was had by all and we hope the Year 7s have made memories for life and discovered new interests and creative flair. Congratulations to all the children and thank you to the staff and visiting tutors, who helped make it such a fun week.”

Year 8 Peak Week

For half of activities week, all Year 8 students had a two night residential trip to the Peak District. Students were blessed with glorious weather and had the opportunity to participate in a whole variety of outdoor activities.



Year 9 Enterprise Week

During Activities Week for Year 9 students, they participated in an 'enterprise week', which included a trip to Blackpool and hosting a market stall on the Friday in aid of charity.



Year 10 Work Experience Week

From Head of KS4, Mr Cann: "Our Year 10 students recently completed a week of work experience during activities week. Many students secured the placements for themselves in an area of future career interest. As always, our students visited a wide variety of work places including pharmacies, primary schools, banks, IT companies, engineering firms and the Manchester museum, to name a few. The week was a resounding success and has hopefully given our students a small insight into the world of work. If your child is currently in Year 9, they will engage in this in a years time. Further information will be shared with students and families when we return to school in September."





Year 12 Biology Trip



Assistant Director of Sixth Form, Dr Alnuamaani, tells us more: "In activities week Dr Garg, Mr Johnson, Mr Davies and I had the pleasure of accompanying our Year 12 A level Biologist and BTEC Applied Science students on their 5-day Biology Field Trip. Students stayed at the Blencathra Field Studies Centre in the heart of the Lake District National Park. Students learnt a variety of ecological sampling techniques and then applied these to investigate fresh water energetics, the development of a sand dune systems and how Biotic and Abiotic factors affect the distribution of species and biodiversity within an ecosystem. They carried out assessed practical work and we still managed to fit in the team building and adventure activities of rock climbing and Ghyll scrambling. A great week in a beautiful location was had by all and it appeared that the students particularly enjoyed the evening actives of a waterfall walk guided by Mr Johnson and a mass game of hide and seek and duck duck goose! We are pleased to say that all students were found and returned safely home, exhausted but enriched."

Trinity's Got Talent

Earlier this half term, auditions were held for our annual 'Trinity's Got Talent' competition, which was organised by the House team. The final was a spectacular event, with a hugely supportive audience and our winners for 2025 were announced - congratulations to D n' M - Dylan and Micah from Year 9.



Anthology Book Launch

LRB and Media Manager, Mr Richardson, tells us more: "Say hello to Trinity's newly-published writers. Last week, we celebrated the launch of *A Recollection of Little Accidents* - our students' anthology of short stories and poems produced in partnership with writing charity First Story. Between October and March our writers completed a 16-week programme of creative writing workshops with award-winning poet and performer, Ben Mellor, and it's that work that has culminated in this very impressive book. That's not all they've been

up to: they've attended writing festivals at the University of Cambridge and MMU, collaborated with a variety of professional wordsmiths, learned about creative careers and some have performed to hundreds of their peers. Incredibly, Eliana in Year 9 has won a fully-funded place on a week-long writing residential in Yorkshire in the summer – congratulations Eliana! This is our third year of working with First Story and once again there's an enormous amount to celebrate. We're looking forward to going again next year."



Student Theatre Success



From Director of Music, Mrs Madden:

"We are delighted that so many of our students are getting involved in theatre productions outside of school, sharing and developing their talents with the wider community. Congratulations to Jake & Dylan in Y9 and Ben & Kyro in Y10 who were cast

as Sebastian, Grimsby, King Triton and Prince Eric in Centre Stage's production of *The Little Mermaid*. Well done also to Kitty in Y9 who showed off her brilliant singing and dancing in MMY's production of FAME at Z-Arts, and to Evangeline who was fabulous in Stagecoach's performance of *Sister Act Jr.* at Contact Theatre. It is wonderful to see our students getting involved in the arts outside school and bringing such joy to a wider audience. We are so proud of you!"

Culture Day

On Friday, 18th July, we celebrated by having a Culture Day in school, and students were given the opportunity to wear clothing that reflected and represented their culture.



Teacher of History, Ms Corcoran, tells us all about how her Year 7 form group celebrated the day: "The form came dressed in beautiful traditional clothing, including Chunni, Qipao, Gele, football kits from around the world and Shalwar Kameez. Our students looked vibrant and proud as they showcased their heritage.

We enjoyed a delicious spread featuring Beef Suya, Plantain Crisps, and Argentinean Chipas, while learning fascinating cultural facts about Cameroon and Nigeria through an engaging presentation.



The celebrations during form time were topped off by Nora, Praise, Awesome, and Victoria, who treated us to a wonderful Culture Day dance performance. What a fantastic start to Culture Day at Trinity CE High School!"

One Music Education's Showcase Rocks Event

From Teacher of Music, Mr Cater:

“Earlier this month, two groups of Year 9 students performed at Band on the Wall for One Music Education's annual Showcase Rocks event.

Fresh from their performances at Trinity's Got Talent, both Promise (featuring Phoebe, Klara, Grace and Madeeha) and Untogether (Nancy, Niyati, Jing and Hafsa) took to the stage to perform songs by artists such as Nirvana and Radiohead to an enthralled crowd. It was a fantastic event that brought together young musicians from schools from across Greater Manchester.”



Business Talk

Ms Ashraf arranged for Ayesha Nayyar, who is a director of her own company 'Nayyars Solicitors' and appeared on the BBC's 'Rip off Britain' show to come into school on Thursday 17th July. She inspired our Creative Media Production and Business Studies students through her 'rags to riches' story. Ayesha talked about her experience in working on radio and live television. She talked about her experiences working as a solicitor and the cases she won that made her famous. She inspired our young people to pursue their dreams and empowered them to never give up on their goals.



Homework Heroes



From Lead Practitioner, Ms Jones: "To conclude a successful year around homework at Trinity, Friday 18th saw the final celebration of the year: two

pupils per form in Years 7, 8, 9 and 10 (around 70 pupils) had a pizza and film party as a reward for receiving the most homework credits this year - for completing their homework early and/or to great standards, or engaging with bonus tasks. They should be proud of their achievement, and we're looking forward to making homework even better in the next academic year."

41 Years of Outstanding Service

At the end of this academic year, we say farewell to Margaret Foster after an incredible 41 years of working at Trinity CE High School. Ms Foster has had various roles in school, including a Food Technician and Lunchtime Organiser. She is the only person to still be working at the school since it opened in 1984 and we know that all staff and students will miss her dearly.

Ms Foster's outstanding service to education was recently recognised at a special event at the magnificent Gorton Monastery, organised by Manchester City Council. The event recognised long service awards for members of education staff across the city. Ms Foster was presented with a special award from the Lord Mayor of Manchester, Cllr Carmine Grimshaw, for over 40 years worth of service.



We thank Ms Foster for all of her work at the school over the past 41 years, and we wish her a long, happy and healthy retirement, which she truly deserves.

Vaccination Reminders



Manchester City Council have asked us to share this important message about vaccinations:

"Before the summer holiday break, we'd like to remind people to check their family vaccinations.

Infectious diseases like Hepatitis A and Measles are on the increase in this country and overseas

due to a decrease in people getting vaccinated.

If you are planning to visit family in another country or go on holiday this summer, some travel vaccines are available for free from your local GP. You can

also contact your GP to get up to date with your routine vaccines e.g. MMR even if you are not going away.

There is more information on www.nhs.uk/vaccinations. More information on travel vaccines can be found on [The essential travel checklist to keep you and your family healthy on holiday – UK Health Security Agency](#).

And Finally...

...what a privilege to be able to bring you such a celebratory newsletter today, the final day of the 2024/25 academic year. There have been so many events to celebrate this year and the enthusiastic participation of our students has been something to be proud of. None of this could happen without the support of parents and governors and the hard work of our staff, and I wish to thank you all for your valuable contributions.

This year has seen a focus on homework completion, resulting in some big improvements; next year there will be an emphasis on punctuality to lessons. I'm looking forward to the wonderful progress our students make every day continuing in the new year, as demonstrated by the Year 9 Graduation and Year 10 Celebration Assembly this week.

There are two INSET days on Monday 1st September and Tuesday 2nd September and the school will reopen on Wednesday 3rd September at 8:30am for all students.

I wish all of our students, staff, families and friends of the school an enjoyable and restful holiday and I look forward to welcoming you back for the new academic year.

**School re-opens for ALL YEARS GROUP
at 8.30am
on
Wednesday, 3rd September, 2025**

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