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 Big Quiz Brings the Buzz!

Head of House, Ms Galbraith, tells us more:

"Our annual Big Quiz was a huge success, with KS3 students competing on Tuesday 14th, and KS4 & KS5 students joining in on Thursday 16th October. The atmosphere was electric as students from all Houses came together to test their knowledge in food, sport, music, famous faces and most importantly, Trinity trivia.

A big congratulations to everyone who took part, your enthusiasm and brainpower earned plenty of House points and made the event truly memorable!"

School Council

Ms Galbraith also tells us all about last week's School Council meeting:

"The School Council kicked off the year with a lively and thoughtful first meeting. Students discussed the pros and cons of using AI in education, sharing their perspectives on how it could support learning. The council also identified key areas for improvement around the school, including improving vegetarian options in the canteen, launching an anti-litter campaign, and improving toilet facilities. It was a fantastic start to what promises to be a productive year of student-led change!"

Reminder: Upcoming Changes to Free School Meal (FSM) Allowance and School Meal Prices

As shared in last week's newsletter, from 1st November 2025, the Free School Meals (FSM) allowance and cost of a school meal will increase from £2.50 to £2.60, to reflect rising costs.

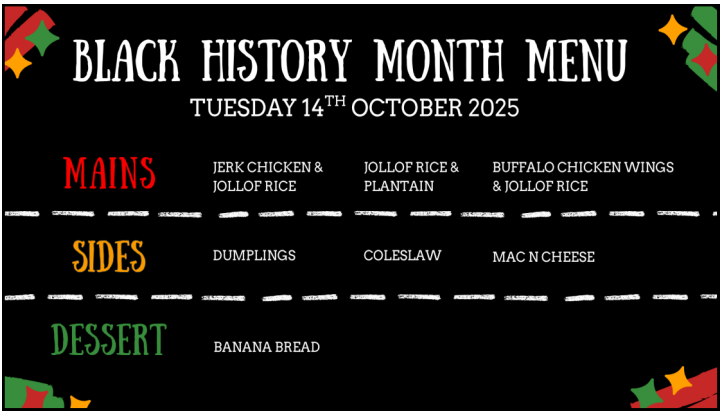
There will also be small price adjustments to meal deals (in line with the FSM allowance), main meals, and some snacks. These changes help us continue providing healthy, good-value meals for all students.

Parent Pay Account Reminder

Please can all parents ensure that their Parent Pay accounts are topped up regularly. The school cannot allow any pupil accounts to go into overdraft. Thank you to all parents who regularly top up. As of today, all student accounts are in credit.

Black History Month

As part of our Black History Month celebrations, on Tuesday, 14th October, 2025, our wonderful catering team put together a special menu to be served in the school canteen, which you can see on the right. It proved to be very popular with our students!



Harvest Collection

Manchester South Central Foodbank
Together with Trussell

We were delighted to receive a certificate of thanks from the Manchester South Central Foodbank for our harvest collection. Thanks to all of the kind and generous donations, we collected 843.89kg of food, which is a total of 2010 meals!

Year 7 Parents' Evening with Form Tutors

Earlier this month, we were delighted to welcome parents of Year 7 students to meet with their Form Tutors in school. It was a great opportunity for parents to meet our staff to hear all about how their child has settled into life at Trinity.

Admission to Year 7 in September, 2026

Our thanks go to all of the parents and students who have attended our Open Day and/or one of our eighteen opening morning tours of the school this half term - we hope you have enjoyed experiencing our outstanding school. To join Year 7 in September 2026 you will need to complete the school's Supplementary Application Form **AND** the Common Application Form from your Local Authority. This still needs to be completed if you have another child

currently attending Trinity.

The deadline for applications is 31st October, 2025. Please see our website for full details:

www.trinityhigh.com/admissions/apply-online/

And Finally…

…thank you to all parents and carers for your continued support in ensuring that Trinity remains one of the best attended schools in England. We have had a busy half term and the students have been a credit to yourselves and the school. It was fantastic to see so many students attending the Big Quizzes and this week Heads of Year celebrated all of the credits and achievements awarded during celebration assemblies. Today, staff and sixth form students have celebrated 'Wear it Pink' day in support of breast cancer awareness charity Breast Cancer Now. Sixth formers organised a cake sale, a big pink quiz and did henna tattoos to raise money for the charity. Well done to all involved.

We hope that those of you who attended our evening meetings for Years 8, 10 and 11 or our Year 7 Parents' Evening found these events useful. We always endeavour to maintain positive and helpful communication with home, to keep you informed of key points and events. In addition to reading our newsletter, please do ensure you check in on Class Charts regularly, not only to keep informed of how your child is doing day to day, but to read any relevant announcements.

We return to school on **Monday 3rd November 2025**, which is a Week A, with a prompt 8:25am start as usual. We have another busy half term ahead of us including Year 11 sixth form entrance exams, Year 12 PSHCE day, Year 11, 12 and 13 Parent's Evenings, our Presentation Evening for our 2025 leavers at the Whitworth Hall, our Advent Carol Service at St Ann's Church and our Cathedral Carol Service. Not forgetting our Christmas lunches of course and **Occasional Day on Friday 28th November**. I hope all readers and their families have a restful and peaceful half term break.

Dr Rachel Chard
Co-Head