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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 Season of Advent

Last Friday afternoon, the congregation at St Ann's Church in central Manchester had the pleasure of witnessing our talented students perform in our annual Advent carol service. The school choirs sang marvellous renditions of hymns such as 'O Come O Come Emmanuel' and the orchestra delighted all by playing songs such as 'Winter Wonderland'. There were also standout solo performances from Xabier Wilson on the saxophone and vocal solos from Ini Kuti, Hannah Ogunshile, Sam Bishton and Gift Evbuomwan. Following the service, the Rector of St Ann's, Revd Canon Nigel Ashworth, blessed the crib outside the Church. More photos from the service can be found on the inside pages.



Continuing with the theme of Advent...we were delighted to welcome the Revd Richard Young, from Holy Innocents, Fallowfield, earlier this month to lead our Advent Eucharist.



Spanish Visitors

Head of MFL, Mrs Jones, tells us about a recent visit from a group of Spanish teachers: "Still very proud of our International School Awards status, acquired in 2016, and in our constant strive to develop the International and European dimension of our school, on Friday 7th of December, Trinity hosted 11 Spanish teachers from the region of Extremadura in western Spain. The purpose of their visit was to immerse themselves in a different language and education system like 40 of our staff had done in Santander, Spain in 2017 and Rouen, France, in 2018.

Their day was packed with activities: they experienced an assembly with hymn singing, toured the school with the Head and spent time in their respective subjects, where they were amazed by our students' keenness to learn and the energy our teachers put into lessons. They also had a fantastic Q&A session with our Year 11s, who got to practise their Spanish speaking skills and were impressive interviewers. Finally, their visit had a historical purpose: to find out about the Suffragettes movement. They had a personalised introduction to this from some of our Year 7s from St James in Rusholme, whose Year 6 project was recently recognised at an awards ceremony in London. These students spoke to our visitors about the Suffragettes, before rounding off the day with some banner making, in collaboration with Mrs Wright in the history department, ahead of the Suffragettes march and the unveiling of the Emeline Pankhurst statue on Friday, 14th December."



Christmas Lecture with Professor Brian Cox

From teacher of science, Mr Jones: "Thirty five Year 10, 12 and 13 Scientists had the pleasure of attending an Annual Christmas Lecture at the University of Manchester where they were treated to an exciting lecture from Professor Brian Cox, including extracts from his world tour! Professor Cox took the students on a journey through the history of space, time and gravity before showing them how these topics have led to our current understanding of the history and future of the Universe. The students were delighted to meet Brian Cox and were a credit to themselves and the school."



Christmas Lunches

Next week our staff and students will be able to sample the delicious Christmas lunch served by Mr Clegg and his team. Christmas lunch will be served in the Sixth Form on Monday, 17th December, for Years 11, 12 and 13, and in the Greer canteen for Years 7, 8, 9, 10 and 11 on Tuesday, 18th December. Yes, that's right, it's on the menu twice for Year 11!



The menu card is titled "Trinity High School Christmas Dinner" and lists the following items: "17th & 18th December 2018", "Roast Turkey & Stuffing Or Quorn Roast", "Roast Potatoes, Creamed Potatoes Carrots, Brussel Sprouts", "Gravy", "xxx", "Chocolate Xmas Pudding & Vanilla Sauce Or Ice Cream Tub", "Bottle of Water", and a price of "£2.40". The card is decorated with holly leaves and berries in the top-left and bottom-right corners, and a snowman in the top-right corner. A small image of a Christmas pudding is in the bottom-left corner.

And finally...

...with the Christmas holidays approaching, we would like to remind parents about end of term arrangements next week, with particular reference to the early finish for students on Friday, 21st December, 2018:

Friday, 21st December, 2018:

- Normal start time - 8.30am.
- Period 1.
- Period 2.
- Extended break: 11.00am - 11.30am.
- Period 3.
- Students will be de-registered in Period 3 and will be dismissed at 12.20pm.

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