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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.”




Latin Club

Head of History, Mrs Wright, tells us about an exciting extra-curricular activity for our students: “This term has seen a number of our Year 7 students participate in a Latin Club, organised by the ‘Manchester Classics for All’ programme, which arranges for post-graduate students to teach Classical Civilisation and Latin to local schools. Robert Fairbairn, a masters student of Classics and Ancient History at the University of Manchester, has been teaching our students the Cambridge Latin Course and introducing the language and history to our young scholars. Not only have they been learning basic Latin sentence structure, but they have also learned about the Ancient festival of Saturnalia and the wider Roman society. Charlie Quigley, 7BDA, who attends the classes, reported that ‘Latin Club is a very unique experience where you can learn an interesting language and learn about the Roman success and what makes them a big part of our history.’”

Attendance

As a school, we pride ourselves on our high attendance figures, as regular attendance in school is strongly linked to good attainment and achievement. The attendance for Years 7-11 and a form-by-form breakdown since 01.09.2018 is as follows:

Year 7	Year 8	Year 9	Year 10	Year 11
7BDA 98.0%	8NBA 98.3%	9ESC 97.9%	10AGO 97.0%	11AHA 97.5%
7AMC 97.1%	8AHT 97.1%	9DHE 94.9%	10JPL 96.7%	11RCO 91.9%
7AMU 97.8%	8BLA 98.2%	9HLA 96.2%	10LBA 95.8%	11ADT 94.4%
7CHA 98.5%	8PIA 97.2%	9AUZ 97.7%	10SBA 97.0%	11SCL 98.0%
7AJA 98.0%	8BLW 98.1%	9SCA 97.9%	10CJO 97.9%	11RDU 97.9%
7DGA 97.9%	8MTA 97.4%	9STR 97.7%	10MKI 97.3%	11GSC 95.8%
7JSH 95.0%	8FAL 98.6% 	9PBA 97.9%	10DNE 95.9%	11RGO 91.8%
7TSU 98.2%	8REM 98.4%	9SWR 97.6%	10SLA 96.8%	11RMO 92.9%
Year 7 - 11 average = 96.9%				11CFF 97.5%
				11SPA 92.9%
				11JCA 95.9%

Congratulations to all the form groups highlighted in green for being the highest attending forms in their year groups. A special mention must be made to 8FAL for being the highest attending form in the whole school, with an impressive attendance figure of 98.6%.

The current attendance for the whole school currently stands at 96.9%. With a big push from everyone in school, we hope that this figure is able to reach above 97% later this year.

The government states that every student's attendance should be at least 95%. Please be aware that if a student is late for school, this can also lower their attendance. The table on the next page demonstrates the effect attendance can have on education.

Attendance during one school year	Equal days absence...	Which is approximately...	Which means this number of lessons missed...
95%	9 days	2 weeks	50 lessons
90%	19 days	4 weeks	100 lessons
85%	29 days	6 weeks	150 lessons
80%	38 days	8 weeks	200 lessons
75%	48 days	10 weeks	250 lessons
70%	57 days	11.5 weeks	290 lessons
65%	67 days	13.5 weeks	340 lessons

Lego Engineering



From Teacher of Engineering, Mr Duckworth: "Several of our Year 9s have been selected to take part in the annual 'Lego League' competition. Last Friday, the students started preparations for the competition, which this year is based around the theme of 'space'. The competition is split into 3 events and students will be judged on the following:

1. Demonstration of the league's core values:
 - **Discovery:** We explore new skills and ideas.
 - **Innovation:** We use creativity and persistence to solve problems.
 - **Impact:** We apply what we learn to improve our world.
 - **Inclusion:** We respect each other and embrace our differences.
 - **Teamwork:** We are stronger when we work together.
 - **Fun:** We enjoy and celebrate what we do!
2. A five minute presentation on a problem they have identified, how to investigate and solve, i.e. generating oxygen or recycling water in space, protecting humans and spacecraft from radiation or micrometeoroids, recycling waste in space, etc.

3. Finally - the biggest challenge! Students are challenged to design and programme a robot to complete a set number of tasks in 2 and a half minutes.

Students have until the end of the month to get ready before competing with other schools from around the Greater Manchester area. This is Trinity's first attempt at the league and I wish them all the best!"

Epiphany Eucharist

Last Wednesday morning, we welcomed Revd Dr Paul Mathole, from Holy Trinity Platt, Rusholme, to lead our Epiphany Eucharist.



And finally...




...On Friday, 11th January, our Year 11s received their mock exam results in a special assembly with Assistant Head and Head of KS4, Mr Westmoreland. There were some smiling faces on the day, with the hard work clearly paying off for our students, but most students recognise that their efforts must increase if they are to achieve their potential. With the support from staff in school and parents/carers at

home, we are confident that there will be much to celebrate when the GCSE results are announced on 22nd August, 2019. We also hope to see many of our students continuing with their excellent work ethic in our Sixth Form!

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