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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.”



Year 7 Parents' Evening

Last Thursday, we were delighted to welcome Year 7 parents into school for the first time to meet with their child's form tutor. It was extremely pleasing that 80% of parents were able to attend - the same percentage we had at last year's evening. Year 7 Senior Tutor, Mr Pringle, and Year 7 Pastoral Tutor, Mr Ojapah, welcomed parents to the school in a safe and socially distanced manner. The evening was an excellent opportunity for parents to engage with the school by having a face-to-face meeting to see how their child has settled into their first half term at Trinity. Parents were also presented with a copy of their child's first official secondary school photo, courtesy of the Trinity trust fund.

Year 11 Science Lockdown Champions

From Head of Science, Ms Dunn:

“Sending our congratulations to Year 11 students who have worked hard in the September Science mock exams. Our students have made excellent progress considering the topics they were tested on where taught during the lockdown period – well done to you all and keep up the hard work for the December mocks!”



Black History Month

Thanks to Head of KS4, Mr Cann, and three members of our Student Council, Anael, Dara and Vanessa for announcing a new Student Council project in last week's assembly - Black Influential Person of the Week.



Make sure you continue to look at our main school Twitter page, as we continue to highlight some 'movers' and shakers from Black British History, including:

- Ken Olisa OBE - first black Lord-Lieutenant of Greater London.
- Bishop John Sentamu: first black Archbishop in the Church of England.
- Baroness Patricia Scotland - first black woman to be appointed a QC.
- Simon Woolley - A political and equalities activist

Sport England Activity

Last Friday, we welcomed the Diane Model Foundation into school to do some activity sessions, as part of a Sport England project with our students during their PE lessons. The activities included:

- A rugby session with a RFU coach.
- An athletics session by an Olympic athlete - Bex Wilson.
- Dance session by James Keegan, 'Lord of the Dance'. James was Michael Flatley's understudy and has now taken over from Michael, 'leading the troops'. Make sure you take a look at our PE Twitter page to see some of the videos from the session.



And finally...

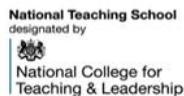
...what a start to the new school year. None of us could have anticipated the 'second wave' of Covid-19 and just how we would cope, but I have to extend my thanks to all staff, parents, students and the support of Public Health England and the Local Authority who have guided us through the first two months. We have had 38 positive cases in total which has led around a third of our 1500 students being asked to 'self-isolate' for two weeks at any particular time. However, this means that an average of 90%+ of students have remained on site in full time education. I know parents have been thankful that we've not been sending students home unnecessarily.

We need to expect a similar pattern to schooling up to Christmas. It may become even more challenging in which case we have some timetable changes that can be implemented to keep as many students 'on site' as possible. On a very positive note, we have ordered over 100 laptops with the aim of 'loaning a laptop' to all students (if they require it) that are forced into self isolation for more than 10 days from this point onwards. This should mean that our remote learning offer is accessible to every student.

I wish you all a very safe and healthy half term. If your child tests Covid positive over this weekend or through half term, please call school on 0161 212 1900 or email laming_a@trinityhigh.com and we will be in contact.



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