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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.”



“Period 6” Initiative

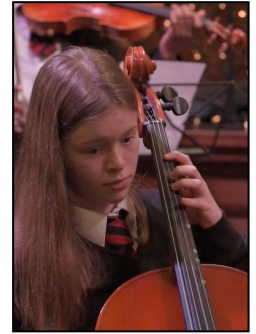
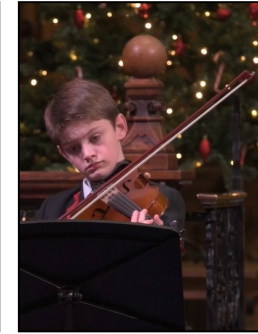
From Deputy Head, Dr Chard: “This term, we've had 186 students from Year 11 invited to period 6 sessions after school, to brush up on key topics and spend time on their coursework. All those with good attendance had their names put into a wheel and three prize winners were chosen at random. Congratulations go to Joseph, Abubakar and Kaili who each won £20 Arndale vouchers. Abubakar said the extra engineering sessions had 'been a good help' and Kaili said attending Health and Social Care had been 'really helpful; we've been doing lots of practice questions'. Joseph has been attending the Enterprise and Marketing sessions and said 'I've done the majority of my coursework now'. Well done to all Year 11 students for their hard work at the Period 6 sessions so far and thank you to the forty members of staff involved.”

Christmas Celebration



On Wednesday afternoon, we were delighted to launch our virtual 'Christmas Celebration' which was recorded in school and at St Ann's Church in central Manchester. The celebration opened with words from our Chaplain, Revd Dr Steve Birkinshaw and the Rector of St Ann's Church, Canon Nigel Ashworth. We were treated to outstanding performances from our choir, woodwind group, brass group, guitar group, orchestra, and steel pan band, including, 'Have Yourself A Merry Little Christmas', 'O Holy Night' and 'Hark The Herald Angels Sing'.

Our thanks go to Chair of Governors, Revd Prof Peter Scott, the Diocesan Director of Education, Mrs Deborah Smith, and the Lord Lieutenant for Greater Manchester, Mr Warren Smith, who provided prayers and readings for the recording. Special thanks must also be made to Mr Richardson who recorded the celebration, our Director of Music, Ms Brown and all of the other students and staff for their marvellous contribution to the celebration.



You can watch our Christmas Celebration on our school YouTube page: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=i0pfPzrL-HU>



Christmas 'Track and Trace'

If your child tests positive for COVID 19 during the Christmas break up to 23rd December, 2020, please call the school on **0161 212 1900** and email **westmoreland_d@trinityhigh.com** and **baxendale_a@trinityhigh.com** to notify the school. You will then be contacted to discuss this further.

Photo recreation!

Last Friday was our annual Christmas Jumper Day, with lots of festive knitwear seen throughout the school. Special mention must be made to two Year 11 students, Myles and Gareth, who recreated their Christmas jumper photo from when they were in Year 8!

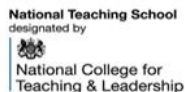


And finally...

...throughout this year, Trinity has met the challenges thrown down by Covid-19 by keeping faith, valuing each other and believing in providing excellence in education. We have had almost 90 cases of Covid-19 and together we've kept the school running in a reassuring 'normal' way, albeit with some obvious precautionary changes. Our teachers and all the support staff have done a fantastic job this year. Never has so much been demanded of them in such a short period of time, but where other schools have closed for year groups, we've remained open – our teachers have been amazing. On your behalf I will thank them all for their work ethic and supreme professionalism.

And finally, enjoy your Christmas break, keep safe, and we look forward to welcoming everybody back in January, 2021. Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year to you all.

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