

TRINITY HIGH SCHOOL & SIXTH FORM CENTRE



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YEAR 11 CAREERS EVENT AND SCHOOL CAREERS FAIR

Trinity High School hosted their first ever Careers Advance Learning Day and Careers Fair last Thursday which proved to be a resounding success. The day focussed on preparing students for their progression at 16+ as well as broadening their horizons.

The day started off with an inspirational speaker, Jamie Dunn from Malvern, who addressed the whole year and got them focussed on their potential. Then it was the time for the workshop carousels, from what to do in an interview and what not to do, from the RAF, to starting to build a CV and access work placements, a session on Apprenticeship opportunities, and where to find them, to 'Meet the Employer' careers speed dating. This last session involved different employers talking to our students about their jobs and career routes with a Q&A session before they all moved round. We were lucky enough to have one of our Governors involved, Philip Roberts, as well as a parent, Tracy Coward representing Barclays Bank. The last workshop was a physical one about decision making and team building skills.

In the afternoon the Main Hall was an exciting buzz and became the Careers Fair with Universities, Colleges, Training Providers and Employers represented. The feedback from the students and staff was fantastic and the school received a lot of very complimentary reports back from our visitors for the day. We are looking to repeat the event next year if possible.

A huge thank you to all the Year 11 students who, as ever, were a great credit to the school along with our 6th Form who helped with the hospitality and supported the Fair. With many thanks to all involved.

Mrs L Laxton, Careers Advice and Guidance Counsellor



SCHOOL INFORMATION

ATTENDANCE

Attendance figures w/e 7.11.14: Year 9 - 94.59% Year 10 - 93.40%, Year 11 - 93.32%

YTD: 94.22%

Best Tutor Group: 9ACA 98%

If your child is going to be absent from School please call 01527 585859 and press 1 to leave a message for the Attendance Office.

GCSE & GCE EXAMINATION CERTIFICATES

Certificates from the summer examinations are now available for collection from the Grove Street Reception. If any student has relations, friends or neighbours that have left school please let them know that they should come to school to collect their certificates. These certificates are kept by the school for a period of twelve months, they are then shredded on the instruction of the examination awarding bodies and if a student then needs their certificate, employers and universities will want to see them, they cost £40 each to replace.



SCHOOL JUMPER SALE

With the winter season approaching we now have, for a limited period, a number of school jumpers and cardigans for sale at discounted prices. These are available as follows:

Size	Jumpers	Cardigans
30-32	£14.00	£16.00
32-34	£14.00	£16.00
34-36	£18.00	£18.00
36-38	n/a	£18.00
38-40	£18.00	£18.00
42-44	£18.00	£18.00



Our amended uniform policy this year made it compulsory for all Year 9 students to have a jumper and we would encourage all Year 10 and 11 students to have a jumper or cardigan to comply with our uniform policy as hoodies or other jumpers, etc are not allowed.

If you would like to purchase any of these, they are available from the Finance Office at lunchtime and afterschool only. Please send your child with the correct money or a cheque made payable to Trinity High School & Sixth Form Centre.

SCHOOL NEWS

TRINITY HIGH SCHOOL'S WORLD WAR ONE BATTLEFIELDS TOUR



Over 1 million Commonwealth Service men and women were killed during the First World War. The losses were felt in almost every town and village in the UK and throughout what was then the British Empire.

Thirty eight students and 4 members of staff made the trip to Ypres in Belgium to remember the fallen and commemorate the beginning of the First World War. Our students visited the sites of battles, for example Geluvelt where the bravery of men from the Worcestershire Regiment had a huge impact on the early stages of the Great War. Members of our Sixth Form laid a wreath from the school at the memorial commemorating the fallen from the Worcestershire during the first battle of Ypres.



We visited Essex Farm Cemetery where there is a memorial to John McRae the author of *'In Flanders Fields'*. Alex Harrison read the poem aloud and a serving Canadian soldier commented how beautifully Alex read and presented him with a pin from the Canadian regiments. A wonderful moment connecting the past, present and future.



Our students were a part of History when they took part in the Last Post Service at the Menin Gate on the 11th November - the 100 year anniversary. Representatives of our group wore their 'Young Explorers' uniforms and standing shoulder to shoulder with local dignitaries, the German ambassador, servicemen and women, members of the Royal British Legion, the Scots Guards, the Lancashire Police Band and the Mayor of Ypres, laid a wreath from the school commemorating the fallen of our school. One of our students writes:

"Being at the Menin Gate on the 100th anniversary was a once in a lifetime opportunity and I'm very grateful for being there".

Megan Wright

Our third day was spent researching the second battle of Ypres, visiting the Paschendaele Museum and Tyne Cot. Our final act of remembrance was laying a wreath in front of the Wall of Remembrance for the fallen of Worcestershire at Tyne Cot and students laid remembrance posts during a time of private reflection.

On 11th November 1918 the Armistice was signed and the Great War - 'the war to end all wars' - was over. It is with a huge amount of pride that I write this - our students were delightful: well mannered and a credit to the school, their parents and carers. 'Thank you' to all those who took part in this very special, often sad and poignant trip. "We will remember..."

Mrs Hannan



FACULTY NEWS

ART, DESIGN AND TECHNOLOGY—Art Piece of the Week

This edition's selected piece comes from Eleanor Watson, a Year 10 Fine Art student. Eleanor's composition is jammed full of colour and pattern, depicting a huge variety of items from both popular culture and her own imagination. Eleanor's work is currently on display in Room 66 and can be viewed by students, in class or in art club which runs Monday to Thursday after school and is open to all year groups.



Remember to follow @adt_ths for all things creative at Trinity.

BUSINESS STUDIES—IFS Student Investor Challenge

Top tip of the week to improve your investment portfolios:

Go to news websites such as www.thisismoney.co.uk and www.moneyweek.com or get paper newspapers and read their investment pages for the latest information on companies, which share prices are rising and analysis of shares to buy and sell.

APP OF THE WEEK

McAfee Mobile Security

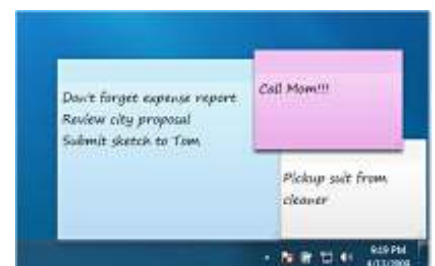
McAfee mobile security is available across all mobile platforms and offers high levels of protection for your mobile device against malicious software. It comes with a handy tracking function which allows the user to track their mobile device through Wi-Fi or SMS messaging in the case that it is lost or stolen, and also includes a "Theftie" function which takes a picture from any cameras on the device when the thief tries accessing the phone repeatedly, allowing you to see the surroundings of the device and who it is that has it.



IT TIP OF THE WEEK

Windows Sticky Notes

Windows comes with a built in sticky note option to display notes on your desktop. To do this you need to launch the sticky note application, named StikyNot.exe. This should open up and you can now type notes at the keyboard; right-click a note to change its colour; click the + sign on the note title bar to add another note; and click a note and press Alt + 4 to close the note windows (your notes are automatically saved).



SCHOOL TRIPS

BASKETBALL TRIP

On Friday 7th November Year 9 Basketball players enjoyed a trip to the University of Worcester Arena to watch a top of the table clash between two of the leading teams from the British Basketball League. With Worcester Wolves and London Lions on equal points going into the game it was always going to be a close match with potential for plenty of tension and excitement. The contest was very close from start to finish with the Wolves trailing for most of the game before drawing level in the third quarter at 55 points and then going on to win 83-78.



Many thanks to Mr Rogers for driving the mini bus and also to Miss Kadodia who had used her connections and influence inside the top flight club to surprise our students with specially reserved, VIP courtside seats.

Congratulations to Reuben Reeves, Levi Veness-Brown and Elrico Thompson who were brave enough to go on court at half-time to enter the free throw competition. We were absolutely delighted to see all three successfully putting the ball in the hoop earning huge cheers from the crowd, a prize from the club and high fives from their fellow players and teachers.



Levi Veness-Brown shooting from the free throw line

TRINITY SIXTH FORMERS VISIT WORCESTER CATHEDRAL ON ARMISTICE DAY 2014

On Tuesday 11th November a number of sixth form students attended a special conference held at Worcester Cathedral designed to both mark the occasion of the Armistice Day and to allow students to hear from several special guest speakers about issues facing the waging of war in the modern age. Amongst the speakers on the panel were Major General Tim Cross who had served in the Iraq and Bosnian conflicts and the Reverend Canon Dr Michael Brierley of Worcester Cathedral. Trinity students posed some interesting questions to the panel regarding the nature of war remembrance and the justification for war in the present day. The students were also able to take part in the Act of Remembrance at the War Memorial at Worcester Cathedral, a truly moving experience.





GERMAN CHRISTMAS MARKET TRIP—AACHEN

Please can any remaining documentation for Aachen be brought to Mrs Weatherley as soon as possible. A Letter with final arrangements will be out next week.

HOUSE ACTIVITIES/EXTRA CURRICULAR

HOUSE LUNCHTIME ACTIVITIES

Year 9	Year 10	Year 11	Sixth Form
<p>GIANT Jenga Dining Hall</p> 	<p>Handball Gym</p> 	<p>Five-a-side Football Sports Hall</p> 	<p>Table Tennis Common Room</p> 

The activities will rotate throughout the year! You do not need PE kit, just bring trainers.

Sign up to take part - Participation means House Points!



MFL CLUB FOR YEAR 9

We have launched a new club for Year 9. The MFL Club will give students the opportunity to learn lots of different languages, from Italian to Japanese. We will meet in the Library on Monday Lunchtime and use online resources to learn and speak lots of different languages. We are very lucky as a school to have access to Rosetta Stone, a prestigious language learning software and we really want Year 9 to be able to use it. Come along, have fun and learn something new.

DUKE OF EDINBURGH

DofE Training Sessions every Friday at 2.30pm in the Dining Hall. ALL students are required to attend these sessions. Please make sure you are keeping on top of your other sections and if you are having difficulties finding a volunteering placement please see Miss Lyons. Date for your Diary - Saturday 29th November DofE Training Walk.

TRINITY NEWS TEAM

The Trinity News Team will be running every Wednesday lunchtime in the Music Room. We will be producing a news bulletin which will run every half term. You will be involved interviewing people, filming short news sections, editing news sections, performing as news anchor and deciding what makes the broadcast! You don't need to be in front of camera, you can be backstage doing editing, filming, directing and more. If you have an interest in Media, Film or Journalism then come along every Wednesday lunchtime and get involved. There will even be an opportunity to work with the BBC and be shown on their website. See Mrs Tomlinson for more details.

STUDENT VOICE AT TRINITY

Student Voice is a very important decision making vehicle within the school and we value the thoughts of our students. Form Reps and students who are interested in developing and maintaining high standards at Trinity attend meetings on a regular basis. We have a number of 6th Form students who are in charge of various projects from Teaching & Learning to the Canteen; these students listen to the views of Years 9, 10 and 11 and work together to help find solutions. Check our notice board (situated bottom of English corridor) for updates on projects and important information such as next meeting date.

Follow us: @THS_Voice



REVISION

SUCCEEDING IN SIXTH FORM REVISION WORKSHOP

On Wednesday 12th November all Year 12 Students were taken off timetable to attend a revision skills workshop organised by Mrs Young. Students were given advice on how to prepare themselves for the mock exams which will be taking place in December. Mrs Young asked students to consider both the mental and environmental factors that prevent students from revising. Students then completed a number of activities looking at strategies to prepare for exams and revise effectively. The session was very well attended and all students were engaged and took away some valuable information.

Mock examinations begin Monday 1st December for Year 11, 12 and 13 students.



SCIENCE REVISION SESSIONS - YEAR 11

Date of revision session	Subject	Revision session focus
10th November	Biology	Enzymes (Triple)
	Chemistry	Acids, bases and salts (Triple)
13th November	Physics	Radioactivity & Fission (Triple)
	Chemistry	Electrolysis (Triple)
17th November	Biology	Respiration and fermentation (Triple)
	Physics	Electrical safety (Triple)
20th November	Biology	Genetic (Triple)
	Chemistry	Properties and uses (Triple)
24th November	Physics	Energy & work done (Triple)
	Chemistry	Rates of reaction (Triple)
27th November	Biology	Photosynthesis (Additional & Triple)
	Physics	Forces (Additional & Triple)
1st December	Biology	Genetics (Additional & Triple)
	Chemistry	Quantitative and Analysis (Additional & Triple)
4th December	Physics	Electricity (Additional & Triple)
	Chemistry	Structure & bonding (Additional & Triple)

REVISION/COURSEWORK SESSIONS

ART, DESIGN & TECHNOLOGY

After school catch-up for Art, Photography and 3D is on Monday -Thursday from 3.10pm - 4pm.

Various other revision and coursework sessions will be running throughout the year and in particular in the run-up to exams. Please refer to this section of the newsletter in the future for full details.

BUSINESS STUDIES REVISION GUIDES

Year 11 & 10 Business Studies students require a Business Studies revision guide. Please place an order for one with Mrs Fisher in Room 5 either at break or lunchtime. Cost £2.75.

MFL REVISION

French and German revision sessions to practise listening skills begin this Thursday at 3.05pm in Room 37. Week 2 French, Week 1 German.

DATES FOR THE DIARY

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| • 27th November | - | Year 12 Parents' Evening , 16.30pm—19.00pm |
| • 29th November | - | DofE Training Walk |
| • 1st December - 5th December | - | Year 11, Year 12 and Year 13 Mock Exams |
| • 18th December | - | Awards Evening 7.30pm |
| • 15th December - 19th December | - | Year 9 and Year 10 Assessment Week |
| • 19th December | - | End of Term |
| • Monday 5th January 2015 | - | TED (school closed to students) |
| • Tuesday 6th January 2015 | - | School Re-opens 8.45am |



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