

# TRINITY HIGH SCHOOL & SIXTH FORM CENTRE



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## VEHICLE & PEDESTRIAN GATES

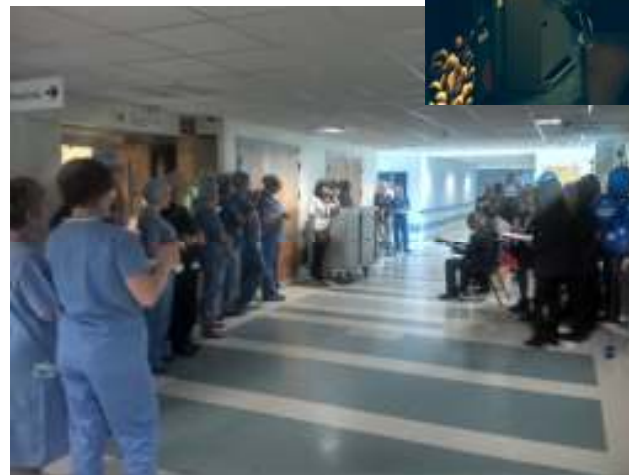


In order to improve the safety and security of all school users, electronic gates have been installed at the Grove Street entrance. The vehicle gates will be open in the mornings until 8.45am, after which time visitors to the school will need to use the intercom facility and speak to the Receptionist to be allowed into the car park. All visitors are asked to park on the Visitors' Car Park (down the ramp) and not block the area around the gates. The gates will open automatically

to let vehicles out. The pedestrian gate will be open from 8.00am – 9.00am, after which time the intercom will need to be used to gain access. We would ask all drivers to observe the speed limit (10mph) and drive carefully when on the school site for the safety of our students. Thank you for your co-operation.

## TRINITY SINGERS

A huge thank you to Alexandra Hospital for inviting us to sing on their staff appreciation day. Trinity Singers feel very lucky to have been part of such a lovely day and well done to all of the students who took part. The students sang their hearts out all day wandering around the



different departments of the hospital to say a big thank you for all the hard work the NHS staff do.

A special mention should go to the theatre staff who came out in full scrubs to have a dance to our music.



# SCHOOL INFORMATION

## **ATTENDANCE**

Attendance is very important to ensure students reach their full potential, and at Trinity we monitor attendance very closely. Parents and students are reminded that school starts promptly at 8.45am each morning. All students arriving after this time without a valid reason will be subject to a lunchtime detention. The Easemore Road gates are locked at 9.00am each morning and students will only be able to access school through the Grove Street entrance.

**Please note:** From 1st September 2013, the Pupil Registration (2006) Regulations were amended in regards to family holidays. The change makes it clear that schools are NOT to authorise any leave of absence during term time and that applications must still be completed for safeguarding purposes.

**Attendance figures w/e 26.09.14:** Overall: 95.3%

**Year 9:** 97.41%, **Year 10:** 94.5% **Year 11:** 93.99%

**Best Tutor Group:** 9CHC 100%; 9DEV 100%; 9ACA 100%

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.

## **LOST PROPERTY**

If you have lost/mislaid anything from a pair of glasses - (many are expensive looking designer styles) keys/uniform/PE Kit - please go along to Student Services to take a look through lost property. All unclaimed items will be sent to the charity shop at the end of term.

## **MACMILLAN COFFEE MORNING**

On Monday 22nd September the Sixth Form hosted a coffee morning in aid of Macmillan Cancer Support. The coffee morning was held in the Sixth Form Centre and was well attended by both staff and students.

The Sixth Form raised further funds for Macmillan by attending school in either non business dress or fancy dress with a Where's Wally theme. The effort made by many students was great!



The event was very successful raising over £230 for Macmillan.

Special thanks to: Amelia Vincent, Zarkah Shazad, Nathanael Craig, Aishah Mushtaq and Mustkema Nazir for their help in setting up and serving during the coffee morning.

Thank you to all those who donated.

## **DUKE OF EDINBURGH**

Congratulations to Nathan Fidler, Lauren Leck, Jordan Dowling, Amie Conlon, Catrin Charmley for completing their Bronze Duke of Edinburgh Award. A fantastic achievement!! The deadline for students to upload evidence onto EDofE is Friday 3rd October. (Get your books signed, take a photo and upload onto your account.) This year's DofE launch week starts Monday 6th October, this is open to ALL students in Years 10, 11 and 12, no previous awards required.

# FACULTY NEWS

## HUMANITIES & COMMUNICATION NEWS

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### Happy Eid ul-Adha!



On the 4th and 5th October, the second most important festival in the Muslim calendar, Eid ul-Adha, otherwise known as the 'Festival of Sacrifice' or the Greater Eid, was celebrated. The festival marks the end of Hajj and remembers the occasion when Allah appeared to Ibrahim in a dream and asked him to sacrifice his son Isma'il as an act of obedience to God. The devil tempted Ibrahim by saying he should disobey Allah and spare his son. As Ibrahim was about to kill his son, Allah stopped him and gave him a lamb to sacrifice instead. Today, many Muslims all over the world sacrifice a sheep as a reminder of Ibrahim's obedience to Allah. In Britain, the animal has

to be killed at a slaughterhouse. They share out the meat among family, friends and the poor, who each get a third share.

Eid usually starts with Muslims going to the Mosque for prayers, dressed in their best clothes, and thanking Allah for all the blessings they have received. It is also a time when they visit family and friends as well as offering presents. At Eid, it is obligatory to give a set amount of money to charity to be used to help poor people buy new clothes and food so they too can celebrate.

### **MFL SLANG OF THE WEEK**

**Mec** – *guy, boyfriend (slang)*

**Example:**

**Il est beau, ce mec.**

*That guy is good-looking.*

**Tu viens avec ton mec?**

*Are you bringing your boyfriend?*



### **MFL NEWS - EUROPEAN DAY OF LANGUAGES**

#### **Quiz Winners**

***Congratulations*** to ***10LJO*** for winning the European Day of Languages Quiz. They answered some very tricky questions from the colour of post boxes in France to the most widely spoken European languages. The members of ***10LJO*** will be treated to their prize of a French breakfast!

***Congratulations*** to ***Suzy Johnson*** from ***Birchensale Middle School*** for winning the MFL open evening quiz! We had a fantastic effort from lots of Year 8 students from a variety of middle schools and we look forward to welcoming you all in Year 9!

### **French, Spanish and German magazines!**

Teachers in the MFL department are always looking at ways to improve students' skills, knowledge and grades in the foreign language they are studying. With this in mind, we are able to offer a subscription to a magazine in either French, German or Spanish at a greatly reduced rate.

For just **£6.00** per student per language, subscriptions would include 5 magazines, 25 MP3 audio tracks, 5 authentic videos and 40 online activities. The magazines are designed to compliment and extend textbook teaching and contain up-to-date topics aimed at teenagers.

If you are interested in this offer, please get a letter from either Miss Johal (Room 36) or Mrs Weatherley (Room 37).

# FACULTY NEWS

## PSYCHOLOGY IN THE NEWS

### Psychology Trip Opportunity for Year 12 and 13 Psychology students

Year 12 and 13 Psychology students have the opportunity to attend a Psychology Open Day at Worcester University on Friday 24th October.

The open day will involve demonstrations of psychology technology including the eye tracker and EMDR (eye movement desensitisation and reprocessing) equipment, which is used in counselling. There will also be interactive sessions on health psychology, counselling psychology, occupational psychology and the psychology of myths. Throughout the day there will be opportunities for a campus tour by student ambassadors and Q&A sessions with the psychology team.

This trip will be a valuable opportunity to visit a locally based University and gain an insight into Psychology at degree level. It was also help widen knowledge and interest in other areas of Psychology outside of the remit of the A level course.

Students who are interested should ensure they collect a consent form from Mrs Anderson. Spaces are limited and will be assigned on a first come first serve basis.

## HISTORY IN THE HEADLINES

### Three things you may not know about Ancient Egypt

As many year 10 and 11 students will know, Ancient Egypt stood as one of the world's most advanced civilizations for nearly 3,000 years. There were many medical developments, such as the invention of papyrus whilst Egyptian art, architecture and burial methods have become fascinating topics of study.

But here are three things you may not know!

1. Ancient Egyptians loved board games.

After a long day's work along the Nile River, Egyptians often relaxed by playing board games



2. Egyptian pharaohs were often overweight.



Egyptian art often shows pharaohs as being slim, but this was most likely not the case. The Egyptian diet of beer, wine, bread and honey was high in sugar.

3. King Tut may have been killed by a hippopotamus

Egyptologists (people who study Egypt) have said Scans of the young king's body show that he was embalmed without his heart. A likely cause of this would have been a bite from a hippopotamus



# FACULTY NEWS

## GEOGRAPHY IN THE NEWS



Last week, the bodies of 31 hikers were found near the top of Japan's Mount Ontake a day after a sudden volcanic eruption.

The volcano, about 200km (125 miles) west of Tokyo, erupted without warning last Saturday, spewing ash and rocks. About 250 people were trapped on the slopes of the popular beauty spot, but most got down safely.

Japan is one of the world's most seismically active nations - but there have been no fatalities from volcanic eruptions since 1991, when 43 people died

at Mount Unzen in the south-west.

The question many people have been asking is - why were there hundreds of people on top of an active volcano? And, why was there no warning it was about to erupt? The answer to the first question is that there are lots of active volcanos in Japan, and people hike on them all the time. The question of no warning is harder to answer. Volcanologists point out this was a relatively small eruption, and that it was driven by super-heated steam and ash, not by lava being ejected from the magma chamber. That made it much more difficult to predict. But it also meant that many of those caught up in the eruption survived. Had it been a large-scale eruption (like the one in 1979) with large pyroclastic flows, many more would have been killed.

Google 'Mount Ontake eruption' to watch videos of the eruption online.

## APP OF THE WEEK

### MICROSOFT OFFICE

There is no longer the need for third party apps which turn your Word documents into the appropriate format for tablets or phones. There is now the Office app which will allow users to read and edit their Word, Excel and PowerPoint documents. This helpful app is free and is available on iPhone and Android.



## ICT TOP TIP OF THE WEEK

### Windows Split-Screen



By holding down the windows key and pressing one of the arrow keys on the keyboard, you can quickly split you screen and place the program's window that you are currently using on one side of the screen as well as making it full screen and minimizing it.



## SCIENCE FACT OF THE WEEK

Lead in pencils is not really lead it's actually graphite which is a form of carbon. Your body contains enough carbon to fill 9000 pencils.

# FACULTY NEWS

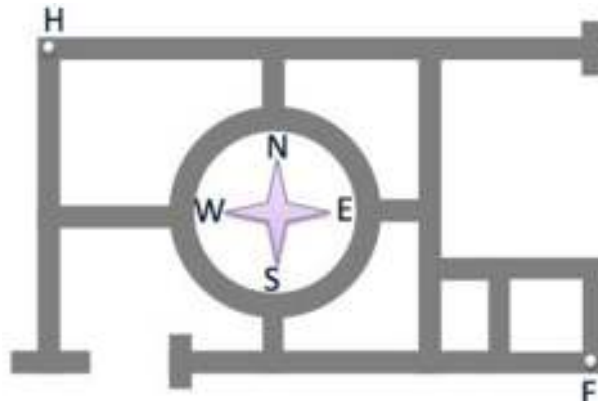
## **MATHS PROBLEM OF THE WEEK**

How many ways can one travel from point H to point F if moving north and west are not permitted?

Get your answers in to Mr Innes by 7th October. The winning answer, drawn at random, will receive **20 e-praise points**.

Good Luck!

Well done to Heena Shehzadi (11CGI) who answered 6 in last week's problem.



## **YEAR 12 FOOD STUDENTS IMPROVING THEIR SKILLS**

Year 12 Food students have had a great start to their A level studies, they have been refreshing on some of the high level practical skills that they will be able to show case when they start their coursework. They trialled different flours to see which made the best pasta and then made fruit jalousies with their very own puff pastry, a very tricky skill to conker. They then used fresh yeast and made enriched bread dough, which some chose to make into Chelsea buns whilst others made iced lemon buns, some of which tasted so good you would have thought they were shop bought. Finally the students mastered the skill of choux pastry, some students really went out to impress by making some very elegant choux pastry swans. All year 12 food students have had a really focused start and we hope this continues for the rest of the course to achieve the success they will deserve.

Mrs Cadman and Miss Coleclough



## Wembley Arch turns pink to support Breast Cancer Care this October!



October is cancer awareness month



To launch Breast Cancer Awareness Month, Wembley Stadium has turned its landmark Arch a spectacular pink to support The Football Association and Breast Cancer Care's new 'Pass it on' campaign.

There will be many events taking place in our community to raise awareness of cancer charities- get involved!

### #HeForShe Campaign

Last week, Emma Watson of Harry Potter fame, gave a powerful speech about women's rights to the United Nations, where she called upon men everywhere to support the #HeForShe campaign and help end gender inequality. The movement was originally conceived as a struggle only led by women for women. However, in recent years, men have begun to stand up in addressing inequalities and discrimination faced by women and girls.

And now, some famous guys are doing just that – very publicly.

Harry Styles, Emile Hirsch and Simon Pegg are just a few of the male celebs who've posted #HeForShe selfies online in support of the cause. If you too believe that gender equality is not only a women's issue, that it is a human rights issue, then take action and check out the website <http://www.heforshe.org/> to read all about it.



# SCHOOL CLUBS AUTUMN TERM 1—2014

CLUB	FACULTY/ DEPARTMENT	YEAR GROUP	DAY/TIMES	ROOM/S	STAFF MEMBER	ANY COST INVOLVED
Manga	LRC	All	Wednesday after school till 4.00pm	Library	BEH	No
Board Games	LRC	All	Thursday after school till 4.00pm	Library	BEH	No
Trinity Readers	English/LRC	All (by invite)	Alternate Mondays after school till 4.00pm, BY ARRANGEMENT	Library	MEA BEH	No
Drama	PEPA	Years 9-13	Thursday 3.15-4.15pm	Drama Studio	EK	NO
Bands Night	Music	All	Monday 3.05pm	28	CJL	No
Trinity Singers	Music	All	Tuesday 3.05pm	28	CJL	No
Music Theory Club	Music	All	Wednesday 3.05pm	28	CJL	No
DofE Training	DofE	Years 10- 13	Friday 2.30pm	1 & 2	TAB AJM BRR CJL	See letters
Jewellery Making and Metal Smithing	ADT	Year 9	Tuesday	61	GEA	No
Art / Photo / 3D	ADT	All	Mon – Thurs 3.05pm	67 & 66	TMC AP	No
Art	ADT	All	Mon & Thurs 3.05 – 4.00pm	66 & 67	AP TMC	No
Careers Drop-in	LL	All	Mon – Fri Break and Lunch times	2A	LL	No
Basketball	PEPA	Year 9	Wednesday 3.15 - 4.30pm	Small Gym	EK	No
Girls Badminton	PEPA	All	Thursday after school	Sports Hall	RLT	No
Girls Fitness Club	PEPA	All	Monday after school	Fitness Suite	PE	No
First XI Football (Week 2)	PEPA	First XI	Monday after school	Sports Hall	PE	No
Girls Netball	PEPA	All	Monday after school	Sports Hall	PE	No
Girls Netball Matches	PEPA	All	Tuesday after school	Sports Hall	PE	No
Year 9 Boys Rugby (Week 1) Year 10 Boys Rugby (Week 2)	PEPA	Year 9  Year 10	Tuesday after school	Sports Hall	PE	No
Year 9 Boys Football (Week 2)	PEPA	Year 9	Tuesday after school	Sports Hall	PE	No
Girls Indoor Cricket	PEPA	All	Wednesday after school	Sports Hall	PE	No
Year 9 Boys Basketball	PEPA	Year 9	Wednesday after school	Small gym	PE	No
Badminton / Table Tennis	PEPA	All	Thursday after school	Sports Hall	PE	No
Girls Football	PEPA	All	Thursday after school	Sports Hall	PE	No



## EXTRA CURRICULAR ACTIVITIES

### 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/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.

## DATES FOR THE DIARY

- 16th October - Year 13 Parents Evening 4.30pm—7pm
- 23rd October - Year 9 Tutor/Parents Evening 4.30pm—7pm
- 27th—31st October - Half Term



# STUDENT WELLBEING



From Public Health England

What's Stoptober?

It's like October but without cigarettes!

Be part of the challenge. Starts 1st October.  
Search Stoptober.

Get involved [/stoptober](#) [#stoptober](#)

**Stoptober**

SMOKEFREE

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The poster features a teal background with a large orange speech bubble at the top containing the text 'What's Stoptober?'. Below it, a white speech bubble says 'It's like October but without cigarettes!'. The central illustration includes a green stick figure with hands on hips, a blue stick figure, an orange stick figure, and a green stick figure with arms raised. There are also icons of houses, a tree, and a cigarette. At the bottom, the 'Stoptober' logo is a red circle with the word 'Stoptober' in white, and the 'SMOKEFREE' logo is a white cigarette with a red flame.

## Excellence for All

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