

TRINITY HIGH SCHOOL & SIXTH FORM CENTRE



www.trinity.worcs.sch.uk

Newsletter No 9

7th November 2014

CONTENTS

TRINITY PINK DAY

*SCHOOL
INFORMATION*

SCHOOL NEWS

FACULTY NEWS

HOUSE NEWS

SCHOOL TRIPS

EXTRA CURRICULAR

*REVISION/
COURSEWORK
SESSIONS*

DATES FOR THE DIARY

TRINITY PINK DAY

Staff, pupils and parents at Trinity High School were in the pink as they took to the running track to raise money for charity.

We held our annual Pink Friday event on Friday 24 October which saw women tackle a 5km or 1.5k course around the site in aid of Breast Cancer Care.

Medals were provided by Bromsgrove and Redditch Trophies while all students and staff supported the fund-raising effort by wearing sports gear with a pink theme in return for a £1 donation to the charity. Cakes were also on sale throughout the day.

The men are now considering holding a similar event to mark Movember.

Please visit <https://www.justgiving.com/Trinity-High-School>



OVER £650 RAISED SO FAR IN SCHOOL



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 24.10.14: Year 9 - 95.82% Year 10 - 93.47%, Year 11 - 93.57%

YTD: 94.28%

Best Tutor Group: 11CJL 97.92%

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.

OUR HEROES OF WORLD WAR 1

Trinity High School will be creating an exhibition in school of 'Our Heroes of WW1'. We would like as many students and staff to take part in creating a visual remembrance exhibition of our ancestors who took part in The Great War. If any students, parents and staff would like to contribute please send in your photos, diary entries, memories etc. to Mrs Hannan at school.



CHILDREN IN NEED

Due to a large number of students attending organised educational trips on the 14th November, Trinity will be raising money for Children in Need later in the academic year.



SCHOOL NEWS

YEAR 11 ASDAN EMPLOYABILITY



The Enterprise Company 'Pink Sapphire' wishes to announce the winner of the 'Name the Teddy' Competition. Miss Taylor is the prize winner. The name of the Teddy is 'Jazzy'.

Izabela Zatoreska and Adiba Mahmood

Congratulations to Darian Maoudis Peever who has secured a part-time Saturday job at a local hairdressing salon as a direct result of a successful two week work experience placement.



The Enterprise company "Smarteez" would like to announce that the winner of the "Guess the number of sweets in the jar" was Darian Maoudis-Peever. Thank you to all staff, students and parents who supported this enterprise activity.

DANCE CHAMPIONSHIP WINNERS

During the 31st of October to 2nd November one of the biggest dance festivals of the year was held in Southport. Nearly 2000 people attended the Unique Dance Championships, from England, Ireland, Scotland, Wales and Norway. Two of our students from Trinity competed with their dance troop, Gemini Dance School. Emily Vokes, Year 10 student, came first place in 'Freestyle', and was also awarded a third place trophy, and Kieton Hicks, Year 9, came second place in 'Street'. We would like to congratulate them both of their amazing achievements. Well done.



LEST WE FORGET

On Thursday 23rd October, the school hosted a 'Lest We Forget' concert and tea party to commemorate the fallen and mark the centenary of WW1. Members of the local community, parents, grandparents and relatives of students attended and joined with us in this act of remembering. The refreshments were made by catering students and the entertainment was provided by Year 11 and 13 drama students and Year 11 music students. A most enjoyable and poignant afternoon.



FACULTY NEWS

ART, DESIGN AND TECHNOLOGY—Art Piece of the Week

Year 9 students were tasked with designing a brooch from recycled materials as part of their homework during the first half-term. The Art, Design and Technology faculty have been so impressed by some of the entries, but it is Chloe Price's which has really made us all take stock this week. Chloe showed great ingenuity, as well as superb awareness and sensitivity with her design – her interpretation of the Remembrance Day Poppy is a beautiful tribute to the loved ones lost to War since 1918.



SCIENCE FACT OF THE WEEK

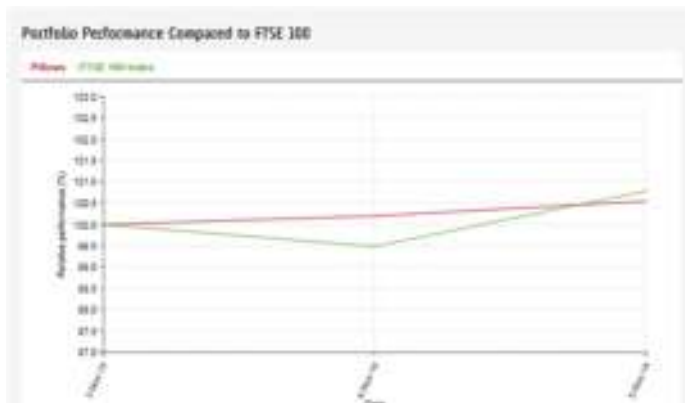
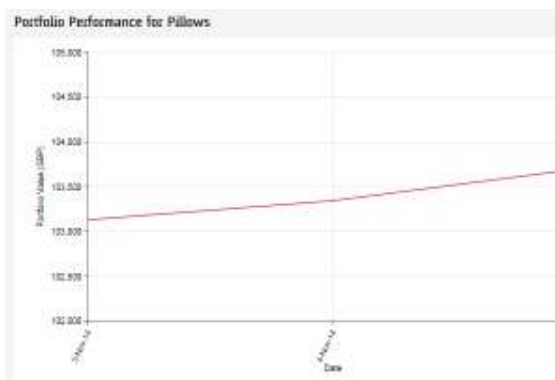
The weather on Earth can get really hot sometimes and pretty stormy. But the weather is far worse elsewhere in the solar system. If you lived on the side of Mercury that faces the sun, for example, you'd be coping with temperatures of 426° Celsius. It's even hotter on Venus (475°C), which unlike Mercury has a heat-trapping atmosphere. On Neptune, the winds blow at 1,600 miles an hour, the temperature can drop to -201° Celsius. The seasons on Neptune last more than 40 years.

BUSINESS STUDIES—IFS Student Investor Challenge—Year 12

All Year 12 Business Studies students have invested their £100,000 and have started trading. Team Pillows is at the top of the league table with a portfolio worth £103,595.55. Congratulations to Harry Keyte, William Stangwood and Oskar Perek.

APP OF THE WEEK—Code School

Code school is an iOS app which allows users to learn about different methods of coding such as HTML/CSS, JavaScript and many others. It does this by offering tutorials and lessons about each individual method.



This app is free to download, however to get access to everything available you will need to pay a subscription fee of around £20 each month.



IT TIP OF THE WEEK - Browser Shortcut

Drag the icon on the web page browser. After you have dragged the icon from the web browser, you can move it anywhere you wish to have the shortcut so it's easy for you to access. For example I have dragged the icon from the web browser and moved it to my desktop on the main screen so that I can access it straight from the desktop instead of going through the whole process of the internet.

The google icon should appear on the desktop and when you double click the icon it will take you to the direct link.



HOUSE NEWS

The first half term was very successful for all three houses, with record house totals being collected. Students are able to support their house through the collection of epraise reward points. 6 epraise points are the equivalent of 1 house point so all house totals are divided by 6.

6 epraise points = 1 house point

| | |
|-----|---------------|
| 1st | Kinver 11547 |
| 2nd | Bredon 11047 |
| 3rd | Malvern 10929 |

Student with the most epraise points for each house (first half term)

| | |
|---------|-------------------------|
| Bredon | Mason Weaver Year 9 |
| Kinver | Natalie Willetts Year 9 |
| Malvern | Megan King Year 9 |

Most House points contributed from a Sixth Form Student (first half term)

| | |
|---------|-------------------------|
| Year 12 | Ellen Jones, Bredon |
| Year 13 | Brandon Murray, Malvern |

Best performing tutor group (first half term)

| | |
|---------|------|
| Bredon | 9CKS |
| Kinver | 9YFK |
| Malvern | 9TMC |

Well done to everyone for your hard work.

These totals are constantly be updated so remember to keep checking the newsfeed on epraise!

You can also collect extra points for your house through taking part in Thursday lunchtime activities.

[HOUSE LUNCHTIME ACTIVITIES](#) [THURSDAY LUNCHTIME BEGINNING 13/11/14](#)

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

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!



SCHOOL TRIPS

PERFORMING ARTS

During the last week of half term, Performing Arts students from a range of Year groups enjoyed a trip up to the Birmingham Hippodrome to watch a performance of *Blood Brothers* by Willy Russell.

As always the show was a huge success and our students seemed to thoroughly enjoy joining in with the 5 minute standing ovation the cast received for their powerful and exhilarating performance which moved some of our students to tears.



PSYCHOLOGY TRIP TO WORCESTER UNIVERSITY FOR A 'PSYCHOLOGY DISCOVERY DAY'

A group of Psychology students went on a trip to the University of Worcester. We got to see the lovely grounds of the university and have a sneak peek into what university life is really like. We had a lecture named "Please Don't Sit Next to Me" by Dr Tim Jones, Head of Psychology, where we learnt why our society segregates themselves from those around them, not purposely but almost instinctively. We then had a question and answers session with the Psychology team and current students of the university. Here we got to view the possible paths we can take and have an insight as to what the university offers. The staff and students were very friendly and helpful in answering any questions we had. After this session we were taken on a tour of the campus. We were shown the accommodation where students stay, the facilities that allow the students to relax and socialise, that being the bar which holds karaoke nights for those brave enough to take the stage! Whilst this was available for all students there was also the option of maintaining a healthy lifestyle by using the universities' gym, where all students get free access. After a spot of lunch we then moved on to the final event of the day, Psychology in action. One of the lecturers talked to us about the myths in Psychology and also how we interpret the emotions of others. This included taking part in an experiment where we had to guess the emotion the person was feeling simply by looking at photos of their eyes.

Nadine says "I really enjoyed the Psychology trip as it allowed me key knowledge that I will be able to use throughout my A level Psychology course. My favourite part was looking around the university as I am interested in studying at Worcester University so it gave me an insight into what the university is like".

Natalie said "I liked the lectures as we were not just sat there they got us on our feet and we got involved, it made it more fun and interesting!"

On behalf of all the students that attended the trip, I would like to say a big thank you to Mrs Anderson for arranging this wonderful day out.

Tayyeba Haider, Year 12

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.

EXTRA CURRICULAR

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.

TRAMPOLINE CLUB

Trampoline Club will start be on a Thursday Evening after school in the Sports Hall. The first session will be on 13th November 2014.



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! 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/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.

DATES FOR THE DIARY

- | | | |
|---------------------------------|---|--|
| • 14th November | - | Year 9 Skills Show Trip |
| • 27th November | - | Year 12 Parents' Evening , 16.30pm—19.00pm |
| • 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 |



Excellence for All

Trinity High School & Sixth Form Centre
Headteacher: Mr A Ward
Easemore Road, Redditch, Worcestershire, B98 8HB
Tel: 01527 585859 / Fax: 01527 65587 / office@trinityhigh.net

