



Welcome from the Headteacher



Pope Francis says that education "is a peacemaking movement, a bearer of peace". In this edition of our newsletter, you can see the varied opportunities our school offers pupils and staff.

We recently welcomed our young people back into our safe, happy and welcoming community after a lovely week off spending time with friends and family.



At the same time, the children of Ukraine were being thrown into a time of uncertainty, fear and destruction.

This image struck a chord with me. Even amid darkness and fear, one teacher in that bunker brought a sense of calm, routine and normality to those children.

As we move into Lent, a time of sacrifice and reflection, I ask that our community gives thanks for all we have and dedicates our prayers and support to the children and families in Ukraine, in the hope that peace is restored quickly.

Louise Dwyer
Headteacher

PRIMARY VISITORS CREATE STUNNING TEXTILE ARTWORKS



The Technology department has recently had the pleasure of hosting Textiles workshops with pupils from two of our NPCAT family primary schools.

Back in November, Year 5 pupils from St Augustine's Catholic Primary School in Coulby Newham came into Trinity to learn a range of textiles techniques based on their project theme, "Ancient Egypt".

Each member of the class – including their teacher, Mr Manders – completed a piece of patchwork. Afterwards, they were all sewn together to make a unique collaborative piece.

The project has finally been completed and delivered to the school, who were delighted with the final piece.

"We are absolutely overwhelmed by it," said head of school Mrs Rehbohm. "It really is stunning!"

Shortly before half term, we also welcomed Year 5 pupils from St Clare's Catholic Primary School in Brookfield.

The St Clare's children have been learning the ornamental needlework technique of appliqué, in which pieces or patches of fabric in different shapes

and patterns are sewn or stuck onto a larger piece to form a pattern.

Based upon the theme of "The Tudors", which they are currently focusing on in their classes, the pupils each completed at least one flag – some super stitchers even produced three! The patches will now be sewn together to make bunting.

All the pupils showed great determination and resilience during this task. They never gave up, developing their skills and helping bring the best out of one another. The final product is going to be beautiful – well done, Year 5!

Pupils from both St Augustine's and St Clare's were delightful company and a real credit to their teachers and their schools as they showed us their outstanding manners and enthusiasm.

We thoroughly enjoyed working with you and hope you'll all come again soon!

KARAOKE IS A HIT FOR ART CLUBBERS



Well done to our Key Stage 3 Art Club members for another successful half term.

Pupils attend every week with smiles on their faces and are always willing to give anything a go – even group karaoke!

The club is just one of many enrichment activities that our pupils were able to enjoy last term.

Make sure you join in the fun and if there's something you'd like to see added to the programme, please let us know.

Having a ball at the Riverside

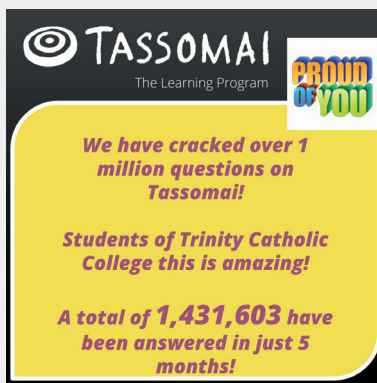
Well done to our Year 8 ball persons, who represented Trinity Catholic College at the Arnold Clark Cup game between Spain and Germany at the Riverside Stadium.

The pupils were excellent all afternoon and had a great time participating in the game using the multi-ball system. Special thanks to the MFC Foundation for giving us this opportunity.

As well as our nominated ball persons, 86 other pupils were invited to watch the to watch the entertaining 1-1 draw as a reward for their great academic performance and continued effort this term.



Tassomai total tops a million!



We are delighted with how well our pupils are engaging with the Tassomai online learning platform.

Since we launched the system last November, a whopping 1,330,598 questions have been answered.

Tassomai uses videos and quizzes to build core knowledge and boost confidence and now forms our homework provision for maths, English and science. We hope to add more subjects from September.

Some pupils deserve a special shoutout for their incredible dedication to improving their knowledge.

Well done to our top three pupils for the number of questions attempted, Evie O (39,912), Imad M (24,775) and Rosie J (26,581).

WELL DONE TO OUR WHISTLEBLOWERS!



Well done to our Year 12 pupils who refereed MFC Foundation's Premier League Primary Stars girls' football tournament.

It was a brilliant experience for the boys who were rewarded with tickets for Boro's Championship game against West Brom.

Our picture shows, from left to right, Ben P, Sam Y, Jack J and Leo M.

CALL-UP CELEBRATIONS FOR SPORTING DUO



Congratulations to two of our pupils who are in line for representative honours in football and cricket.

Rose M, from Year 10, took part in an England girls' half-term training camp.

It's a fantastic achievement for Rose, who also represents Cleveland Schools.

Meanwhile, Year 8 pupil Seb L, who is an excellent all-round sportsman, has been selected for Cleveland Schools' U13 cricket team for the forthcoming season.

Pupils go to the polls for special elections



The whole school community from Year 7 to sixth form have been taking part in two special elections.

Make Your Mark gave young people throughout the UK the chance to have a say on the biggest issues facing them.

Pupils also elected their own Middlesbrough Youth Parliament representative, as well as voting for the issues they would most like to see debated in the forum.

Good luck to Year 12's Phoebe T, who will find out if she has been elected later this month.