

Welcome from the Headteacher

Looking back over the last half term, the college continues to develop well on our journey. Our Year 11 pupils have sat their PPE exams and are now awaiting those results so that they can know what areas they need to develop in the run up to their GCSEs in May.

The rest of the college are working hard and our enrichment programme continues to be re-established with the launch of the Duke of Edinburgh Award for Year 9. Rehearsals are also well underway for our Christmas production. I hope to see you all there.

As we move into winter please keep those less fortunate than us in your prayers.

The college will continue helping others through our charitable work over the coming weeks, including the launch of our CAUSE Christmas hamper appeal as well as our Christmas pyjama drive.

God Bless

Andrew Rodgers



Remembrance

Trinity had 3 big contributions to Remembrance Services recently. Firstly a group of 12 pupils, which included 4 army cadets, attended the Cenotaph in Middlesbrough for the remembrance event for schools. Pupils laid poppy crosses at the foot of the Cenotaph. The service was attended by local politicians and local dignitaries, as well as all the schools across Middlesbrough.

The next day our wonderful pupil leaders also represented Trinity at an NPCAT service. Imogen S and Tritonle C led a number of prayers. The whole NPCAT family was represented as we paid tribute to service men and women, who had given their lives in the hope of peace.

Finally we held our whole school Remembrance Service on Monday 13th November. During this service Tony Nolan (Tees Valley Piper) played the bagpipes and we had readings from T6 student Alice B, our Year 11 Student President and Army Cadet Tritonle C, Mrs Sherrington and Mr Tucker, our chaplain.

Pupil representatives from each form contributed to the service by placing wreaths down, before we all observed a period of silence, followed by the last post. The wreaths had been created by each form group and represented every pupil in the school. It was a very reverent service and a fantastic tribute to all those who had fallen.

Mrs Sherrington, Assistant Headteacher for Catholic Life added "It was a service we can all be proud of. To have all the Trinity family represented at the service was lovely to see. Next year we hope to expand on what we have achieved this year. I am extremely grateful to the young army cadets who have represented school in their military uniforms over the 3 recent services".

"They shall grow not old, as we that are left grow old: Age shall not weary them, nor the years condemn. At the going down of the sun and in the morning. We will remember them".



HOLMSIDE PARK REWARDS TRIP

Over 400 pupils and staff attended a fabulous rewards trip to Holmside Park during November. We are extremely proud of you all for your fantastic attitude and conduct. We hope you all had as much fun as the staff did! Pupils enjoyed themselves on a range of activities such as giant inflatables, laser tag, roller skating and archery.

Keep your eyes peeled for the Christmas Trip announcement!



CATHOLIC LIFE

Over half term our new Stations of the Cross were placed on the wall of our Prayer and Wellbeing garden.

Thanks to the Technology department for making the Stations and to our site staff for putting them up on the wall. We look forward to using the garden for prayer and reflection this term.

During November we celebrated Holy Mass with 2 year groups, Years 8 and 9, where we focused on remembering loved ones who have sadly departed. It is reassuring to see school Masses return and we look forward to Year 11 Mass in January.

STAR READERS

We had 3 amazing pupils nominated by Miss O'Brien for a star reader award for their hard work, determination and effort when doing some reading intervention. Keep up the fantastic work!

At Trinity we have a whole school focus on improving

our reading skills, so it is wonderful to see the pupils making so much progress.

Thanks to our T6 students who volunteer to help during enrichment on Wednesdays.





ANTI-BULLYING WEEK

During anti-bullying week we have focused our assemblies and our collective worship on being kind to one another. The theme of anti-bullying week is around the use of harmful banter

Too often pupils say things and pass it off as "banter" so we encourage all pupils to "make a noise about bullying" and to speak up, be supportive and tell a trusted adult.

We learned about the example of St Paul who changed his ways after a message from God. He fell to the ground and heard a voice say to him, "Saul, Saul, why do you persecute me?" "Who are you, Lord?" Saul asked. "I am Jesus, whom you are persecuting," he replied. "Now get up and go into the city and you will be told what you must do."

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T6 Sixth Form continues to go from strength to strength. We recently met prospective applicants for the next academic year in our recent Open Event and Discovery Days.

In early November, we launched our Academic Mentoring Evening, where parents and carers met with tutors to discuss their progress. This event was particularly useful for Year 13, who have rehearsal examinations in the new year.

We continue supporting students to discover their post-19 destination. It has been a privilege to guide our young people as they send off UCAS applications and visit careers

> We also remember those less fortunate. CAUSE hampers are in place and our student council is doing outreach work with local nursing homes.







T6 OPEN EVENING

It was a privilege to welcome applicants to T6 for our Oper Evening. One of the highlights of the evening was the performance of Ms Spencer's dance troupe, who amazed the audience with some thought provoking sketches and solo vocal items. This introduced our plans to launch a Performing Arts Academy from September 2024.

Applicants browsed our brand new facilities - including six brand new classrooms equipped with touch screen technology and an independent study area furnished with PCs.

Pupils interested in attending T6 from September 2024 should contact 6thform@trinity.npcat.org.uk

SPORTS ROUND UP

It has been a very busy first half term for Team PE, with fixtures in football and netball dominating so far.

We have competed in over 30 fixtures during the first half term. Trinity pupils continue to make the college proud. We have 15 Sports Leaders training to be part of the Middlesbrough leaders group. This will see our pupils help deliver sports across the town during this academic year.

A big shout out to Year 11 boys T6 Super Cup winners. Well done to all involved! Thanks to T6 for a great event.

Trinity 2 v 1 St Patrick's Trinity 1 v 1 St Peter's Trinity 3 v 1 Sacred Heart



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