

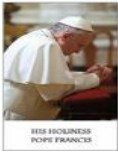
**A Catholic School for All**

**Our Mission Statement**

*Trinity is a Catholic learning community devoted to the common good.*

**Parental Bulletin – Friday 14<sup>th</sup> May 2021**

**Let Us Pray: The Pope's Prayer Intention for May: Universal Intention – The World of Finance**



**Let Us Pray**

Let us pray that those in charge of finance will work with governments to regulate the financial sphere and protect citizens from its dangers.

Amen

**Head of School - MR SHIRES (email: [jshires@tcs.lourdesmac.org.uk](mailto:jshires@tcs.lourdesmac.org.uk))**

**Wider Opening of the School**

Despite a month's rain falling in the last two weeks the students have demonstrated the value of resilience by once again adapting to the new wider opening measure and routines. Throughout this week we have been observing and evaluating the new procedures and adapting to make it easier to follow.

The size of the school site has led to very little congestion in corridors. As a result, next week all KS3 students will be asked to line up in the KS3 area after registration, break and lunch. They will be allowed to go direct to the next lesson between periods 2 and 3, 4 and 5.

**Face Masks**

From next Monday face masks do not have to be worn in school. It will be a welcome change to be able to see what one is doing without one's glasses steaming up.

**New Staff**

We welcomed Mr Foley to Trinity this week. Mr Foley is an experienced secondary Assistant Headteacher within the MAC and a teacher of RE and History. He will be teaching Mr Pettle's RE and History groups until the end of the year. He has already made a significant contribution towards the Catholic Life of school.

**Pigeon Fanciers**

A big thank you to Mr Hill and Mr Marr who rescued the wood pigeon that had flown in through open windows in the Design Technology area. The pigeon gave them both the run around before finally succumbing to a successful pincer movement. Thankfully, the pigeon was released and happily flew off although Mr Marr looked a bit out of sorts after chasing it around the room with a white DT coat.

**Catholic Life - MRS RAYMENT- Lay Chaplain (email: [erayment@tcs.lourdesmac.org.uk](mailto:erayment@tcs.lourdesmac.org.uk))**

This week our focus has been on the Ascension of our Lord and our tutor groups put together a liturgy to share with their year group on the topic. The students are doing a great job of delivering these liturgies and myself and Mr Foley are really thankful for the effort being put in by form tutors to support them with this. Again, our Year 9 students behaved beautifully during our streamed Mass with St Mary Immaculate primary school, showing reverence and maturity as a great example to the little ones.

Our prayer garden is coming on well, with more greenery being planted each week. Any donations of seating would be welcome so that we can enjoy gathering in the garden to pray.

Our Trinity TV broadcast was launched this week with Year 11 students presenting. Thanks go to Joanna, Willow, Honor and Leila for their help with this. Next week, I promise to unmute my computer so we can all hear it - oops! I'm looking forward to developing this initiative with the students so that it can become an integral part of our community.

With things beginning to open up, I'd like to share the details for joining us at Summer Camp this year at Alton Castle on 28<sup>th</sup> July-1<sup>st</sup> August. Every summer, Kenelm and Life Teen UK host a summer camp for young people from across the country. The camp lasts a week and involves a range of exciting activities. The camp is based at Alton Castle, making use of the activities Alton Castle have on site, visiting the nearby theme park Alton Towers, as well as heading off to a variety of different places for fun and games. Students from the Archdiocese of Birmingham have the cost subsidised by the Diocese. There will be several Trinity students attending this year, the more the merrier! Please visit the website below to find out more information and book a space, places do fill up quickly. There is also a great video to watch, showing you the brilliant fun we've had in previous years, you might even spy some of our students in the video: <http://www.kenelmyouthtrust.org.uk/summer-camp.html>

Blessings as always.

**Senior Assistant Principal (Inclusion and Pastoral Care) - MR ALTON** (email: [malton@tcs.lourdesmac.org.uk](mailto:malton@tcs.lourdesmac.org.uk))

### **Year 10 Summer Assessments**

Formal assessments for all Year 10 students in all subjects will take place between Monday 14<sup>th</sup> and Friday 25<sup>th</sup> June. In advance of these assessments, you will be provided with a Year 10 Summer Assessments Task Sheet on Monday which provides details of the assessments and what you can do to support your child to prepare effectively.

### **Year 11 Final Assessments**

We enter our final week of Year 11 assessments and it has been incredibly encouraging to see the resilience shown by all our students following an extremely turbulent period of GCSE study. We're putting together the final preparations for the final week of this half term and we aim to share these with you early next week.

### **Wet/Dry Break and Lunch arrangements - Next Week**

We're very appreciative of the resilience and fortitude shown by our students in the face of significant change this week. Not only have they had to adapt to the wider opening of the school, but they have also become accustomed to different arrangements for break and lunchtimes. These arrangements will be in place for next week. If wet break/lunch arrangements are in place for the day, these will be announced during registration.

### **Start of lessons – Next Week**

Students will not be required to line up for each lesson from next week.

Years 7, 8 and 9 students will however be required to line up in allocated areas at the following times:

- 8.55am (Registration)
- 11.35am (Period 3)
- 1.15pm (Period 4)

At all other times, students can go straight to lessons.

**Inclusion Manager and Deputy Safeguarding Lead - MISS CROSSMAN** (email: [lcrossman@tcs.lourdesmac.org.uk](mailto:lcrossman@tcs.lourdesmac.org.uk))

### **Volunteer for Parenting Project**

Parenting Project is looking for volunteers wishing to be trained as Parent Mentors. Parent Mentors are volunteers who meet with families to provide friendly, informal support, encouragement, and guidance. This is most useful for parents who are overcoming difficult or challenging times.

As a Parent Mentor you only give the time that suits your availability. Potential Parent Mentors must be able to drive and have a satisfactory DBS certificate.

For further information please contact [caroline.jacobs@parentingproject.org.uk](mailto:caroline.jacobs@parentingproject.org.uk) or telephone **07958 487544**.

**Word of the Week – Week Beginning: 17<sup>th</sup> May 2021**



**Week beginning: 17<sup>th</sup> May 2021 - QUIZ 6- WORD OF THE WEEK**

### **Trinity Social Media Channels**

We use our social media channels to promote student achievements, subject information and generic educational information. You can find these by searching:



@trinitycathschool



@CatholicTrinity



tcs\_learmington



YouTube <sup>GB</sup> @CatholicTrinity

## General Information

### Reading Library Stand – Morrison's Supermarket

Morrison's have set up a little reading library stand in various stores (see photo). The unit is shelved where children can take books for free and has a post box attached in case anyone has old reading books they can donate.



### Free School Meals

To check eligibility for Free School Meals:

<https://www.warwickshire.gov.uk/education-learning/apply-free-school-meals>

Please check any emails sent by Mr Marr about Free School Meals and contact reception to update any contact numbers or email addresses.

### Key Dates: 19<sup>th</sup> April to 21<sup>st</sup> July 2021 (Summer Term)

- Year 11 Final Assessments: Tuesday 4<sup>th</sup> May - Friday 21<sup>st</sup> May 2021
- Year 7 Parents Evening (remote): Wednesday 12<sup>th</sup> May 2021; 4.00pm to 6.00pm
- **Teacher Training Day: Friday 28<sup>th</sup> May 2021**
- **Half Term Holiday: Monday 31<sup>st</sup> May to Friday 4<sup>th</sup> June 2021**
- Friends of Trinity: Bag2School Collection – Friday 11<sup>th</sup> June 2021

### Attendance Reporting - Attendance Manager – MRS LYTWYNIW (email: [plytwyniw@tcs.lourdesmac.org.uk](mailto:plytwyniw@tcs.lourdesmac.org.uk))

#### Reporting Student Absence (Illness/Medical and Other)

A reminder to all parents/carers you are required to notify the school of all student absences (Year 7 to Year 12). This should be done by either:

- using your Edulink account or
- leaving a telephone message on the Student Absence Line - **01926 462929** stating:
  - your name
  - child's name
  - form group
  - reason for absence

If your child is absent for several days, it is important to report the absence every day that they are off school. Medical evidence may be requested for absences. In the event that we need to contact you, please check that your Edulink account contact details are correct and up to date.

### Job Vacancies at Our Lady of Lourdes Multi-Academy Company (OLOL)

For job vacancies at Trinity Catholic School and within Our Lady of Lourdes MAC, please click on the following link: [Vacancies – Our Lady of Lourdes Catholic Multi Academy \(lourdesmac.org.uk\)](http://www.lourdesmac.org.uk)

### Uniform and Standards – MR MARR (email: [smarr@tcs.lourdesmac.org.uk](mailto:smarr@tcs.lourdesmac.org.uk))

#### Uniform and Standards

A reminder that all students should be registering at 08:55am each morning in their respective form groups. Tutors will register, conduct a uniform check, and ensure they are fully equipped for the day. Whilst they are in the minority, we do have the odd student who arrives to school without the correct equipment to learn.

I have included the link to the uniform policy, but the main points are listed below:

- No hoodies are to be worn on the school site
- Outside jackets are to be removed before entering the school building
- Uniform to be correct in line with our uniform policy
- Students must have the correct equipment for learning (pencil case with blue/black pen, a multi colour pen for peer/self-assessment, pencil, rubber, glue stick and ruler). Some subjects will require specialist equipment such as a calculator.

<https://www.trinity-school.org.uk/page/?title=School+Uniform&pid=33>

### Head of Year 7 - MR DEMPSEY (email: [pdempsey@tcs.lourdesmac.org.uk](mailto:pdempsey@tcs.lourdesmac.org.uk))

This week has seen Trinity 'open up' the whole school to allow students to experience school in a much more realistic way. We have left our 'bubble' and Year 7 were able to move around school and be taught in bespoke classrooms which were designed to be subject specific. This was a real boost for staff and the vast majority of our year group coped admirably.

Teachers are now based in a single classroom. Our students travel to them and get a feel for being part of a much bigger community. This will prepare them for life in Trinity once they enter Year 8 and have the autonomy to move around freely. This will help them build their resilience and sense of self-reliance. Dry weather will also see them have their own playing area on the school field.

We have also asked Year 7 to ensure that the essential equipment that they carry with them also includes an appropriate reading book. I know as a teacher and parent how valuable reading is in developing both your mind and

your vocabulary. Please help us by checking that your child has their reading book and pencil case before they leave home.

Our focus with regards to our Catholic teaching this term will look at resilience. Something that is very important and a value that has been much in demand for the past year. I hope that you have a blessed and peaceful weekend and that your child enjoyed the past week and the freeing up of the school.

With my focus on reading books as essential equipment I leave you with the following quote:

**To learn to read is to light a fire; every syllable that is spelled out is a spark.** – *Victor Hugo*

**Head of Year 8 - MISS HANSON** (email: [lhanson@tcs.loudesmac.org.uk](mailto:lhanson@tcs.loudesmac.org.uk) & **MISS MALLE** (email: [jmalle@tcs.loudesmac.org.uk](mailto:jmalle@tcs.loudesmac.org.uk))

Firstly, thank you to Year 8 and their tutors in welcoming Miss Hanson and me.

This week we saw the London O2 arena hold the first live event in the form of the Brit Awards in over a year, with 4,000 attendees; half of them being made up of key workers. I know this has been a tough year for so many and for many different reasons; however, reading about the Brits made me think of how close we are to that sense of normality.

Within school this week, we have seen Trinity also head into the direction of normality, allowing students to move around the building to get to lessons and back to normal school timings. It was lovely to hear the corridors filled with students again.

As we do settle back into the flow of school, please may Miss Hanson and I reassert our expectations from Year 8. I ask that you support us in making sure uniform correct, they are fully equipped for lessons and they are fully focussed during lessons.

We have the upmost confidence in students exceeding these expectations and are in talks about how we can reward Year 8 for all their hard work.

You may also be aware, that with the recent changes, we have now been able to set them in Maths. The teachers are Mrs Feeley, Miss Parker (Head of Maths) and me. Please can you check your child's Edulink to see their updated timetable should you need to contact us.

Should you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact myself and/or Miss Hanson.

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**Head of Year 9 - MR MUSSON** (email: [emusson@tcs.lourdesmac.org.uk](mailto:emusson@tcs.lourdesmac.org.uk))

On Friday this week, the Year 9 Mass was held in the Chapel and streamed to several primary schools within the Lourdes MAC. Four **resilient** student volunteers read during the service. The readings included: *Acts 1:15-17,20-26, Psalm 112* and *Prayer of the Faithful*. A 'well done' and 'thank you' from the Trinity Catholic School community to those students who showed the **aspiration** and **integrity** to volunteer and read so well.

Please ensure that student uniform and appearance adheres to the school Uniform Policy. The Year 9 pastoral team have two key points of focus to ensure that all students are treated equally. Please ensure that your child is wearing all black leather footwear, as well as not bringing a hoodie on to the school site. Parental support is greatly appreciated.

Please note the following Immunisation Dates: Meningitis ACWY Diphtheria, Tetnus and polo: 24<sup>th</sup> May, Year 9 Boys and Girls.

**Head of Year 10 - MR WILLIS** (email: [awillis@tcs.lourdesmac.org.uk](mailto:awillis@tcs.lourdesmac.org.uk))

I have been proud of our year group this week as they negotiate another week of change. The positives are (again) the way that the group respond, with patience, kindness and understanding. The changes also gave me opportunity to see them all as a year group, together in their forms, dressed smartly and prepared to learn. It is a point I have made previously, but the way the year group respond to change will serve them well in an ever-changing work environment.

There are clearly some potential leaders in our year group, and I am hopeful that recent opportunities (outlined in this Bulletin) allow those students to excel and progress in those roles. The DofE Award, the Trinity TV initiative, and the opportunity to be Catholic Life rep, together with growing opportunities within subjects are some of the opportunities that I hope your child is making the most of.

As we approach the end of the half term, there will be increasing opportunity to access further support in your child's subject. There are now many intervention and support sessions taking place, with more planned in other subjects



during, and post half term break. Please discuss these opportunities with your child and ensure that they attend as many as possible, especially in subjects where they would benefit from support.

**Head of Year 11 - MR MARR** (email: [smarr@tcs.lourdesmac.org.uk](mailto:smarr@tcs.lourdesmac.org.uk))

During assessments it is always a surreal time of year, as the Year 11 form rooms are empty, and they are all lining up in the Gym ready to sit an assessment. Form tutors and I are always proud of how they conduct themselves and prepare for an assessment. At this time of year, there is also a transition period, and you notice an increase level of maturity as you hear them discussing an assessment after or before an assessment.

The assessment period will continue next week until Thursday 27<sup>th</sup> May 2021. Please see the attached schedule for exact dates and times of these assessments. In what would be their last four days of school, we will still have assessments taking place such as Art and other various catch-up assessments if a student were absent. All Year 11 students must be in school during this time, and we will have a timetable of sessions for them to attend.

We will hold our Leavers Assembly on Thursday 27<sup>th</sup> May, after the last Art assessment at 2.00pm. Will also be in a unique position of having completed all the assessments, so they can really relax and reminisce about their last five years at Trinity.

Key points for assessments:

- JCQ (examinations) insist that writing (logos) is not permitted on clothing, bottles of water and pencil cases. Therefore, all students will be in full uniform for these assessments.
- If they have an assessment at 09:00 they are to go directly to the Gym and line up at 08:50am. If they do not have an assessment, they are to register in form as normal at 08:55.
- If they have a revision session prior to an assessment then attend, if not, they will attend their normal lesson.
- Like the assessments at Christmas, if they have an afternoon assessment, they will have lunch at 12:00-12:30. If not, they will take their lunch at the normal time of 13:30.
- Hoodies will be handed out on Thursday 27<sup>th</sup> May.
- If they would like friends to sign a shirt, bring a clean fresh shirt and not one they are wearing at the time – trying to keep a stinky old shirt for memories is not advisable.
- Their last day is on Thursday 27<sup>th</sup> and they will have a leavers assembly on that Thursday at 2.00pm.

**Year 11 Prom**

Thank you to all parents who have offered support and have made enquires with conference hall and other venues. We will continue to search for an ideal venue at a reasonable cost (everywhere seems to be fully booked or have increased prices significantly due to demand). Students have asked if we can have it at the school and we are exploring every possible avenue which does include the school.

**Year 11 Leavers Hoodies**

All orders have been processed and they will be distributed at the leaver's assembly on 27<sup>th</sup> May. A reminder, if they would like friends to sign a shirt, bring a clean fresh shirt and not one they are wearing at the time – trying to keep a stinky old shirt for memories is not advisable.

**Year 11 IT Information**

If you are having issues with your email, password or Edulink the LourdesIT help desk contact details:  
Help Desk: 01527 359 999 <https://help.lourdesit.org.uk> [help@lourdesit.org.uk](mailto:help@lourdesit.org.uk). 7.30am to 5pm Monday to Friday All resources, assignments, live and pre-recorded lessons will no longer be available via the welearn365 platform that students previously used.

**Foundation Programme Co-ordinator - MR LIGNIER** (email: [jlignier@tcs.lourdesmac.org.uk](mailto:jlignier@tcs.lourdesmac.org.uk))

With the first exam period now over, students have now begun to focus on preparing for the next level up in their Functional Skills English and Maths qualifications.

With the end of the year nearing, it is important that students start to make decisions on their futures very soon. We want to make it clear that students can continue to study at Trinity next year so that they can achieve higher level qualifications that will allow them onto college courses. As most of the pupils are newly arrived to the country, they will not be ready to start courses at college and so we feel that Trinity is the best place for them. Students will get the necessary help for them progress onto qualifications that colleges will deem them ready to begin to study there.

We currently have college speakers booked in for our next PSHE&C day (10<sup>th</sup> June) so that students can talk about, discuss and plan their futures with college lecturers.

If you have any questions or queries, please direct them to [jlignier@tcs.lourdesmac.org.uk](mailto:jlignier@tcs.lourdesmac.org.uk).

**Our School Motto**  
*Equal by means of God's image*