

**A Catholic School for All**

**Our Mission Statement**

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

**Parental Bulletin – Friday 28<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)**

This week we bid farewell to our Year 11 students. Thankfully, the sun shone allowing their final leaving Mass to be held on the school field. This was followed with a final Leavers Assembly in the Theatre with Mr Marr. All the staff were complimentary about the maturity and manner in which they conducted themselves not only throughout the day but in their approach to their education during such trying times. They deserve a well-earned rest and we look forward to welcoming some of them back into Year 12 in September and wish all those going onto to study at other providers all the best for the future. A reminder that Results Day is on the 12<sup>th</sup> August.

**Our Lady of Lourdes and Holy Family Merger Update**

Please see attached letter from Mr Leverage, CSEL regarding the merge between Our Lady of Lourdes and Holy Family Multi-Academy Companies. This exciting development further strengthens the continuing professional development of Trinity staff within the multi-academy structure. It allows departments to collaborate within curriculum areas and share resources and good practice which ultimately our students will benefit from. Please take the time to read the attached letter and we will update you in the near future regards and further developments.

We wish you all a restful half term break.

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

This week has all been about Pentecost! At this time of the liturgical year, we remember the birthday of the church when the Holy Spirit came upon the apostles and gave them the gifts they needed to share the Gospel with the world. It is a time to remember that we are all part of this continuing mission and that each of us have wonderful gifts to share both within our community and beyond. I am looking forwards to celebrating all the talent Trinity has to offer in the Pop Icon competition coming up after half term! Attached to this week's Parental Bulletin you will also find the pastoral letter for Pentecost from the Bishop's Conference of England and Wales which not only encourages us in this but also seeks to ask us to care for our common home.

Today we had a final Mass for our Year 11 students who have now finished their assessments and will be moving on to their next steps in education. I pray that each of them continue to use their specific gifts and talents in whatever vocation they have been called to.

During half term there will be a virtual pilgrimage to Lourdes in France. Next May, we hope to be able to join with other schools in the Archdiocese of Birmingham and be there in person. For now, though if you would like to find out more about it or indeed join in with the youth evening hosted by the Kenelm Youth Trust (KYT) you can find the details of how to register by following the link below:

[https://www.birminghamdiocese.org.uk/lourdes-pilgrimage?fbclid=IwAR3vHZOZ2bXTNB1fLtfGey4E3HdMts4wn15s2yRDsm9UcDW\\_sgWP7kUWcBQ](https://www.birminghamdiocese.org.uk/lourdes-pilgrimage?fbclid=IwAR3vHZOZ2bXTNB1fLtfGey4E3HdMts4wn15s2yRDsm9UcDW_sgWP7kUWcBQ)

On 25<sup>th</sup> June I have booked for the Chaplaincy team to visit Soli House, our Dioecian retreat centre in Alton. There are 15 places for this trip. Students will need a packed lunch and should wear clothes suitable for outdoor activities. Confirmed details of cost and timings for the day will be in a letter sent to parents in the week after half term. In the

meantime, please contact me at [erayment@tcs.lourdesmac.org.uk](mailto:erayment@tcs.lourdesmac.org.uk) if your young person is interested in attending the retreat.

Have a restful half term!

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

### **PSHE Day - Wednesday 30<sup>th</sup> June**

The PSHE Day originally planned for the first week back after May half term has now been changed to Wednesday 30<sup>th</sup> June. The programme for the PSHE Day which will include Sex and Relationships Education, Careers, Development and Safeguarding lessons will be shared with all parents in the week beginning Monday 21<sup>st</sup> June.

### **Year 11 Final Assessments**

We would like to congratulate all Year 11 students for completing their GCSE study. At present, our staff are marking and reviewing scripts from final assessments and working with our colleagues at schools within the MAC to moderate. Teaching staff will be submitting final grades for each student in each subject after half term. The final deadline for grade submission to the examination boards is Friday 18<sup>th</sup> June.

### **Trinity Sixth Form Subject Taster Day - Monday 24<sup>th</sup> May**

On Monday, all Year 11 students took part in the Sixth Form Subject Taster Day where they got the chance to sample courses that are offered from September 2021 alongside a number of development courses. The feedback that we have received from the event has been very encouraging. We have also reopened the application window for September entry to our Sixth Form. Applications can be made via: <https://forms.office.com/Pages/ResponsePage.aspx?id=MKcd5G15b0SG85FNYTivOB1UjkaHqEREmAHdRL985VUQVQ2RDhKRU9VMjQ5NU5DQUUpBMEpaVzRXNi4u>

### **Sixth Form Consortium Event and Transition Programme**

Students who have applied to study at Trinity Sixth Form in September 2021 have been invited to our Consortium event which is taking place at St Benedict's Catholic High School, Alcester on Monday 21<sup>st</sup> and Tuesday 22<sup>nd</sup> June. More details for the event can be found at <https://www.your-future.life/>

### **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, the Year 10 Summer Assessments Task Sheet is attached which provides details of the assessments and what you can do to support your child to prepare effectively.

### **Tackling Low Level Disruption - Monday 7<sup>th</sup> June**

We're pleased to work in a school where the vast majority of students are engaged and focussed on learning 100% of the time, however as in all schools there is a minority of students who can have an effect on teacher's ability to teach and students ability to learn. Our expectation is that our students are 100% focussed on their learning, 100% of the time. Your child has the right to education and no other student has the right to disrupt your child's lessons.

As a result, from Monday 7<sup>th</sup> June students who are viewed to be disrupting lessons will be removed to continue their learning in the Inclusion Room. Students will remain in the Inclusion Room for the remainder of the school day and during break and lunchtime, if they have been removed by the teacher. Students who have been removed would need to show that that can learn effectively and remain on task in order to return to lessons the next day.

### **PE Lesson Arrangements - June and July**

Students will be no longer required to wear PE kit into school on PE days. Instead, from Monday 7<sup>th</sup> June, all students will be expected to arrive at school in full uniform and bring PE kit with them. Students will then get changed in the changing rooms for PE lessons.

This amendment in our practice will affect the very small number of students who can affect the learning of others and we are very confident that the climate for learning in all lessons will be much improved during June.

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

We are all still adjusting to the lockdown restrictions lifting after a very difficult year. Please take this half term to relax and reconnect. There are a variety of activities taking place across Warwickshire. Please click on the link below for further information.

<https://www.warwickshire.gov.uk/directory/46/may-half-term-holiday-activities>

**Word of the Week – Week Beginning: 7<sup>th</sup> June 2021**



**Week beginning: 7<sup>th</sup> June 2021:**  
Terr/terra- dry land/ earth (Latin word root)

## 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



@CatholicTrinity

## Free School Meals Information

### 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)

- **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

### Trinity Catholic School/Our Lady of Lourdes MAC/Holy Family Catholic MAC



**For job vacancies at Trinity Catholic School, please click on link below:**

<https://www.trinity-school.org.uk/page/?title=Current+Vacancies&pid=128>

**For job vacancies within Our Lady of Lourdes MAC, please click on the link:**

<https://www.lourdesmac.org.uk/vacancies>



**Our Lady of Lourdes**  
Catholic Multi-Academy



**For job vacancies within Holy Family MAC, please click on the link below:**

<http://www.holyfamilycatholicmac.org/>

## Pop Icons.... Coming Soon.... July 2021!



We are very proud to announce that local video game software giants, Codemasters, known for the official Formula 1 video game, Dirt, and the Fast and Furious games, will be supporting future Music and Performance events at Trinity Catholic School.

We are very excited to take this opportunity to make links with the world-renowned gaming industry in Leamington Spa. The first music event, supported by Codemasters, will be revealed in coming weeks.



**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>

If you would like further information or support with uniform or equipment, please contact your child's Form Tutor or Head of Year.

**Art and Design Department News from Mr Hill** (email: [shill@tcs.lourdesmac.org.uk](mailto:shill@tcs.lourdesmac.org.uk))

Well done to our Year 11 students. This week they have all completed their final pieces in Art. A hard day's work with some great results. We are proud of them.



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

Good Afternoon. It is amazing to think our Year 7 are quickly approaching the end of their first year in secondary school. It has been a very unusual year and very challenging one. I have been delighted to see the resilience shown and the aspiration evident in so many students.

This week saw our Year 11 leave and it was very moving to be saying goodbye to a very wonderful group of young adults. It was brilliant to see how well they had adapted and how much they had embodied the virtue and values of the school prayer.

I see those same qualities in our Year 7 and I am certain that when the time comes, they too will be fantastic ambassadors for Trinity Catholic School. This week our Liturgy looked at Pentecost and the gifts of the spirit that allowed the disciples to go out into the world with confidence. I firmly believe we are preparing our students to do the same.

I am looking forward to the half term and I suspect our students will be too. Please take a moment this week to relax and enjoy some peace and rest. I leave you with a quote from Shakespeare about rest.

**In peace there's nothing so becomes a person as modest stillness and humility.**

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

As we draw a close to the half term, I would like to say thank you to students and yourselves for your continued support.

Even though this half term has been a short one, it has been full of changes that has seen the students really have to adapt and manage with. The Year 8 students have dealt with this really well. There are still the odd few students who are taking a little longer in following all instructions and meeting expectations, but myself and Miss Hanson will be working with those individuals in making better decisions and will be asking for your support with this once we return from half term. I ask that you please check for any messages from either myself or Miss Hanson via voicemail or EduLink.

Our focus next term regarding our values will be on resilience and hope. During this past unusual year, many students as well as yourselves will have shown resilience, but we now want the students to focus on the hope value.

As they complete their final weeks as Year 8, what do they hope to achieve and how do they hope to start Year 9; such an important year as they will be starting their journey towards their GCSE by selecting their options.

Even though we will be in the final weeks of the school year upon our return after the holidays, the expectations regarding behaviour and engagement will still be the same.

The Year 8's will be sitting end of year tests in subjects and in order to achieve their best, they must make sure they demonstrate 100% focus in lessons.

If you would like further information on how to support them in preparing for these end of year tests, then please contact your child's teacher or myself and Miss Hanson.

Hope you have a restful half term.

Mrs Malle and Miss Hanson

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

Year 9 met as a year group for the first time on Tuesday morning to take part in collective worship that was delivered by Mr Shires. It was fantastic to see the year group together as a community within the school after such a long time communicating to each other remotely, then later only as classes.

Please ensure that Year 9 students are in the playground by 8:55am at the latest, ready to be led into class by their form tutor each day. Year 9 students no longer need to wait outside school to adhere to COVID-19 guidance. Please support the school by ensuring that your child arrives at school in time to be in the playground by 8:55am.

I wish the Year 9 students a fantastic and relaxing half term.

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

Family life does not always lend itself well to the adage of 'work hard, play hard', but I believe that it's important that we get the opportunity to 'distract' ourselves from work when given the time and opportunity. Our final half term break of the academic year is that opportunity. I have mentioned in previous bulletins about the importance of the final half term of Year 10. With the current Year 11 completing their GCSE studies, the primary academic focus is placed upon our year group. The coming half term is vital in setting expectations of behaviour and attitude towards study. Please keep this in mind when preparing your child for their return after our break.

The tone and momentum of each day is set at 0855hrs when our year group should be on the tennis court area. They should be dressed as expected and lined up in their tutor groups. Once the year group is silent, they will be led into school by their tutor. Your help in ensuring that this tone is set by making sure that your child is dressed appropriately and on time will be very much appreciated. I use the analogy with the year group from my sporting past, where it is much easier to play well when you start well; make sure that you win your first tackle or header and concentrate on your first pass. It is much more difficult to start poorly and play well. Your child's tutor and I will do our best to ensure that all start well upon our return. Your support here is key.

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

Goodbye and good luck to our Year 11 students who are staying next year at Sixth Form and those who are leaving for pastures new. The final week was a credit to the integrity of our young people, and it culminated with a Leavers Mass and Assembly.

Fr Patrick led the Mass on the school field, bathed in the glorious sunshine. The Mass also gave thanks to students and their teachers for their hard work over the last five years and to keep you all in our prayers. A big thank you to the Chaplaincy Team and Mrs Rayment for organising such a wonderful event, and to be able to hold the Mass outside was perfect – if only we could always rely on the weather in May!



#### Leavers Assembly

Students arrived at the assembly, initially to sign and shirts and collect hoodies, but they were also afforded the privilege of being serenaded by Oscar and myself – I think it is quite clear who the talented one out the two is, well done Oscar!

The assembly celebrated the achievements of all students and I really enjoyed delivering it after they had completed all their assessments. Whilst the occasion was emotional, it was also lovely to see them smiling and laughing. We included some old school photographs, pictures of them with friends, and quotes from when they were in Year 7. Tutors and I made a leavers video for them and I shared some photographs and experiences along the way.

Please tell your child how proud we are of them, they have acted with real integrity and shown respect to each other and their teachers - they are an absolute credit to you!

I would also like to thank, Mr Hill, Mrs Compton, Miss Hanson, Mrs Anson-O'Connell, and Miss Malle for their support over the years to ensure your child is safe and happy.

Regarding the Year 11 Prom, letters were handed out on Friday and if your child is attending, please complete the permission slip, payment and medical OSA2 forms before Friday 11<sup>th</sup> June 2021. There is a copy of the letter attached to this bulletin.

Thank you for your support over the years and I will really miss not seeing them all every day. I would like to end with a prayer taken from a Year 11 student when they were in Year 7.

*Dear God*

*May we be different and unique, and not let anyone tell us otherwise.*

*Amen.*

Stay safe and take care.

Mr Marr

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

We have now finalised the exam date for Year 12s second set of examinations. They will begin on the week beginning **Monday 28<sup>th</sup> June**.

With regard to results for the examinations that they sat in April; we are still waiting on the exam board to send back the results. We are hoping that they will arrive shortly after the half term break.

Have a restful and enjoyable week and I look forward to seeing you back on the 7<sup>th</sup> June.

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