

**A Catholic School for All**

**Our Mission Statement**

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

**Parental Bulletin – Friday 11<sup>th</sup> June 2021**

**Let Us Pray: The Pope's Prayer Intention for June: The Beauty of Marriage**



Let Us Pray

Let us pray for young people who are preparing for marriage with the support of a Christian community: may they grow in love, with generosity, faithfulness, and patience.

Amen

**Senior Assistant Principal (Standards and Sixth Form) - MR ALTON (email: malton@tcs.lourdesmac.org.uk)**

I am delighted and honoured to be overseeing the day to day running of Trinity Catholic School in preparation for the arrival of Bridget Morris who will become our new Headteacher in the 2021/22 academic year.

From my experience of being a Senior Assistant Principal for 6 years, I know that a successful and happy school depends on all of us working together. Trinity Catholic School is continually improving and our collaboration with the schools within the Our Lady of Lourdes MAC have led to significant improvements in all areas of the school and its provision for our students. I will benefit from the continued guidance and support from our Executive Principal, Gerald O'Connor and I'll continue to be in close contact with Jon Shires who has taken up the Head of School role at St Benedict's Catholic School, Alcester.

Parents make an important contribution to children's achievements at school, and I want to develop the relationship between the school and parents for everyone's benefit. I will be holding a number of drop-in sessions over the half next term, which will provide an opportunity to meet with you and discuss the continuation of a successful partnership. These meetings will take place at different times, which I hope will enable most families to attend. If you prefer, you are also welcome to contact me by email or telephone.

You will be aware that we are focussing on our value of Resilience during this term, and I have welcomed the opportunity to deliver year group liturgies on this theme. It is of vital importance that our students are equipped to deal with the challenges that they face on their journeys and I'm hopeful that our examples of fortitude and guidance will continue to support them beyond this academic year.

Our foundation as a Catholic school is love: this helps us show resilience and therefore be courageous and hopeful. The words of St Paul summarise this beautifully.

*'Love is patient, love is kind. It does not envy, it does not boast, it is not proud. It does not dishonor others, it is not self-seeking, it is not easily angered, it keeps no record of wrongs. Love does not delight in evil<sup>(E)</sup> but rejoices with the truth. It always protects, always trusts, always hopes, always perseveres.'* (Corinthians 1)

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

Today, Fr Patrick kindly blessed some of our classrooms. He said a beautiful prayer and sprinkled Holy water on the four walls as well as the students and teachers present. I took a short video and some photographs which will hopefully be uploaded onto social media over the weekend. I also took some photographs of our lovely prayer spaces in classrooms which have clearly had a lot of effort put into them. From beanbags and lights to 3D displays, the creative ideas have been marvellous to see. In some cases, the prayer spaces cover an entire wall of the classroom! It has been lovely to see that the students (and some teachers) have a very competitive attitude towards their spaces!

Members of the Chaplaincy team should have received a letter this week inviting them to attend a day retreat to Soli House on Friday 25th June. You can view a video of the sort of thing to expect here: <https://youtu.be/c0ZhLaNYuwQ> The cost for the day trip is £25, which includes transport and our activities. Students will need a packed lunch and suitable clothing for outdoor activities. There is a limit of 15 places for the

trip which can be booked and paid for on ParentPay. Any students eligible for support with the cost of school trips should email myself at [erayment@tcs.lourdesmac.org.uk](mailto:erayment@tcs.lourdesmac.org.uk) and I will arrange for that to be sorted. Anyone who hasn't received a letter via Edulink can collect a paper copy from the Chapel.

Since today is the Solemnity of the Sacred Heart of Jesus, I leave you with the following:



'Sacred Heart devotion is not magic or some automatic ticket to heaven; it is a sacred way for us to encounter the fullness of the Gospel, the good news of God's saving love poured out for us in Jesus Christ. As we steadily progress in our knowledge and communion with the Lord, we will fall ever more deeply in love with Jesus and live out that transforming and redemptive relationship in every detail of our lives. This devotion unites our minds, hearts and wills in one great act of oblation — a total gift of the self to the One who has first offered himself completely to and for us.'

Bishop Donald J. Hying

If you ever wondered what Devotion to the Sacred Heart of Jesus looks like, watch this explanation by Fr Mark-Mary: <https://youtu.be/qAsGWVvK51Jk>

**Director of Catholic Life and Personal Development - MR FOLEY** (email: [pfoley@tcs.lourdesmac.org.uk](mailto:pfoley@tcs.lourdesmac.org.uk))

### **Section 48**

All teaching staff took part in a CPD session this week focusing on leading Collective Worship, engaging students in prayer and building opportunities for students to lead. This was led by Beccy Roseman from the Kenelm Youth Trust who shared some excellent strategies. This will feed directly into the pastoral programme delivered by tutors, Heads of Year and SLT.

### **Pastoral**

This week students focused on the example of Derek Redmond as an example of resilience when he pulled his hamstring in the Olympics and was supported by his father in his mission to finish the race. This is so relevant to all our lives but particularly our children at Trinity who will face all kinds of challenges.

This week was also the launch of the On Call system and Inclusion Room. Each lesson a member of staff will check that lessons are running smoothly and is there to remove any barriers to learning, to ensure standards are high and to celebrate the fantastic work students are doing. Watch this space on our social media for photographs of excellent work.

The Inclusion Room was opened this week and it was pleasing to see that this was a very quiet space with a small number of pupils being referred. The purpose of this room is to refocus, reflect and then be guided through a reconciliation process in order to return students back to lesson. Students who are referred to the Inclusion Room reflect on the incident, have an opportunity to record their views. They also reflect on St Teresa of Calcutta's anyway poem and St Paul's letter to the Corinthians about love. Finally, students complete a restorative justice reflection which forms the basis for their reintegration meeting.

### **Personal Development**

Students are focusing on resilience, fortitude and hope in each lesson and how to develop these in their day to day lives. A key opportunity to develop resilience is the Duke of Edinburgh Award which I know a large number of students are signed up for. Please see Mr Jones if you would like to find out more.

The Thursday enrichment programme is up and running and we encourage all students to take advantage of the opportunities on offer. The programme is attachment to this bulletin.

Finally, this week was the deadline for the Catholic Life reps to apply to take part in the joint climate change project between Trinity Catholic School, St Augustine's and St Benedict's which takes place on 24<sup>th</sup> June at St Augustine's. Applications have been wonderful to read with students articulating so beautifully how they want to put Catholic Social Teaching into action. Letters for this event will go out next week.

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

There are a range of free online workshops available for parents and carers in Warwickshire to access, including:

- Understanding your child's behaviour
- Routines and boundaries
- Safe home, happy home
- Sleep

For more information and to book a place please follow the link -

<https://www.eventbrite.co.uk/o/warwickshire-children-and-families-17595309993>

**Word of the Week – Week Beginning: 14<sup>th</sup> June 2021**




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**The Word of the Week is: Therm – heat (Greek 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:

 @trinitycathscool

 @CatholicTrinity

 tcs\_learmington

 <sup>GB</sup>@CatholicTrinity

**Free School Meals Information**

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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 10 Formal Assessments: 14<sup>th</sup> to 25<sup>th</sup> June 2021
- Year 11 Prom: Wednesday 23<sup>rd</sup> June – 6pm-10pm at Chesford Grange
- PSHE&C Day: Wednesday 30<sup>th</sup> June 2021
- **End of Term: Wednesday 21<sup>st</sup> July 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 - MR MARR (email: 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>

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

**COVID-19 Lateral Flow Testing - MR MARR (email: smarr@tcs.lourdesmac.org.uk)**

Thank you for continuing to record your child's lateral flow test via the NHS website. If you have not registered, please can you do so to help monitor the spread of Coronavirus and to ensure we have enough new testing packs delivered to the school. Testing should take place twice each week with a space of 3-5 days between each test. When reporting the result Trinity's post code must be linked to the record. Please note that you cannot report a result after more than 24 hours and you can only report one result at a time.

Before reporting the result, you will need:

- The barcode on the test strip or the ID number printed under it (the test strip is the part of the kit that shows your result).
- A mobile phone number so we can text you to confirm we've got your result.
- An email address to register.

How to report a COVID-19 rapid lateral flow test result, please follow the link below:

<https://www.gov.uk/report-covid19-result>

Once on the website, click 'start now' and register (this will take a couple of minutes and save time later). When recording your child's result, you will need to click on 'they took the test for school' and then type in the Trinity's post code CV32 6NB.

You can also report by phone:

You can also report your test result by calling the phone number in your test kit's instructions.

If you have a problem with your test kit, call 119 or report the problem online.

For any further advice, please refer to the documents we sent out at the start of the testing process, or follow the link below:

<https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/instructions-for-covid-19-self-test>

## Who are you reporting a result for?

- Myself
- Someone else

Continue

## Would you like to sign in or create an account to save your details?

- Sign in or create an account**  
We'll save your details each time you report a test result. Creating an account only takes 2 minutes and you'll save 5 minutes when reporting each test result.
- Continue without an account**  
Your details won't be saved for future tests and all information will have to be re-entered.

You will need your email address and mobile easily accessible to confirm registration.

During the registration and reporting process, you will need to click on the educational setting (school) and follow the next few steps. When recording the result, you will need the test kit barcode to record the results.

### **Learning Support - MRS PRICE** (email: [jprice@tcs.lourdesmac.org.uk](mailto:jprice@tcs.lourdesmac.org.uk))

Year 10 students who have been identified for exam access arrangements (with a view to GCSEs in Year 11) have been contacted by Mrs Woldanski our Exams Officer via Edulink, to let them know that they will take their Year 10 exams in a small room to access necessary support.

We are also planning a Parent Consultation Day for Wednesday 30<sup>th</sup> June. We will be contacting parents with information and how to book an appointment with one of the SEN Team in the next week. If you do then experience any difficulties in booking, please contact Mrs Bell via email [cbell@tcs.lourdesmac.org.uk](mailto:cbell@tcs.lourdesmac.org.uk) to request an appointment so that she can let you know our availability.

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

This week has seen our Year 7 students begin the final half term of the school year. They returned on Monday and carried on where they left off...engaged and ready to work. They are a bright, polite, and lively group and I am very pleased with the way in which they conduct themselves around the school.

I have had the opportunity to see my year group in class and to witness their many qualities. The year group have also been preparing form rooms for the Prayer Wall competition...the judges are going to have their work cut out! The students and their tutors have been really enthused and quite a few individuals have gone above and beyond in terms of helping their tutors...I will celebrate their names next week!

Year 7 also attended an inspirational liturgy as part of their collective worship based on the values of Resilience and Fortitude. As always, they conducted themselves maturely and were praised for their conduct and reverence.

Well done to Year 7 students: Natalie B and Holly N who have received the most reward points this week. Keep up the good work!

Thank you as always for your support and I wish you all a restful weekend. I suspect my anxiety levels will rise on Sunday whilst watching England!

### **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))

Miss Malle and I hope that you all had a wonderful half term, and it is wonderful to see the students back in school this week, with a motivated and enthusiastic approach to their learning. This week's Liturgy focus was on Resilience, Fortitude and Hope and this is something that both Head of Year's and the form tutors are very proud of how well the Year 8 students have shown this through these unprecedented times.

It was during half term, that whilst reading *The Boy, the Mole, the Fox and the Horse* by Charlie Mackesy, that I stumbled on a page that made me stop and reflect "What is the best thing that you have learnt about storms said that the boy? That they end, said the horse". "Those are dark clouds said the boy, yes, but they will move on said the horse, blue skies never leave us". At that point, I took some time, felt the sun on my face, listened to the noise around me, birds singing, babble of conversations and felt a moment of calmness and reflected on the messages I had read. This moment of calmness was of course ruined by the cat chasing a fly and destroying everything in his path, and at that minute all I could hope was that he was not going to knock the plates off the side again.

Hope looks for the good in a person instead of harping on the worst, open doors where despair closes them. Discovers what can be done instead of grumbling what cannot. Lights a candle instead of cursing the darkness. Regards a problem, small or large as an opportunity not a problem. Cherishes no illusion nor does it yield cynicism. Sets big goals and is not frustrated by repeated difficulties and setbacks. Puts up with oldest gains, realising that the longest journey starts with one step. Accept misunderstanding as the price for serving the greater good of others. Is a good loser because it has the divine assurance of victory.

Well done to Year 8 students: Sheridon B, Dhillon G, Alice B and Stephanie M who have received the most reward points this week. Keep up the good work!

A reminder that all Year 8 students should be coming to school in full school uniform, with their PE kit in their bags. Students are no longer to come to school in PE kit.

Miss Hanson

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

The PSHE&C Day is Wednesday, 30<sup>th</sup> June. The theme of the PSHE&C Day will be preparing for Work Experience. Topics include the following: 'Work Experience Preparation', 'Writing a CV', 'Writing a Letter of Application', 'Kudos (looking at professions)' and 'Mental Health'. Feedback via student voice was very positive following a previous PSHE&C Day. The Mental Health lesson has been added to each PSHE&C Day curriculum following student voice feedback.

Please ensure that students do not wear their PE kits to school. Students are to wear uniform to school and bring a PE kit with them. Please ensure that students wear their blazers every day; jumpers and cardigans are optional and must be worn under a blazer. Please support the school by ensuring that your child arrives at school in time to be in the playground by 8:55am. Thank you to all the Year 9 students who engage with the basic school expectations with maturity, respect and integrity.

Well done to Year 9 students: Natalie S and Raine W who have received the most reward points this week. Keep up the good work!

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

I am hopeful that our year group is as prepared as possible for the upcoming opportunity of their formal assessments. Having gone through the exam process a couple of times with my own older children, the role of the parent/carer at this time is essential. The need for self-discipline for students is never more prevalent and good sleep hygiene, eating well and punctuality is as important during times of assessment as the work and revision that has gone into this point. Support at home with any or all these aspects is needed at what can be a stressful time for anyone, let alone young people who may not have been through this process properly yet. The coming weeks should be framed as an opportunity not a threat.

Assessment arrangements have been shared with students, and they should know times and venues of assessments. Please ask your child to familiarise themselves with where they need to be and at what time.

Well done to Year 10 students: Jacob J, Nathan G and Etianne A who have received the most reward points this week. Keep up the good work!

Finally, I want to thank you for your dedicated and continued support of your child's studies. The high standards and expectations that you support do make a difference and the work that you do in supporting your child will positively influence their future.

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

##### **Year 11 Prom**

The Prom will be held at Chesford Grange on Wednesday 23<sup>rd</sup> June from 6pm-10pm. Letters were handed out on Friday 28<sup>th</sup> May and were attached in the previous bulletin. I have also sent out the OSA2 form and Prom letter via Edulink on Wednesday 9<sup>th</sup> June. If your child is attending, please complete:

- The Permission Slip
- OSA2 Form
- Payment

Initially, I said the deadline would be Friday, but we will accept forms returned on Monday 14<sup>th</sup> June. Please do not send electronic copies via email and hand these into Reception.

### **Transition Material and Transition Days**

I have sent information about transition materials and work to complete before returning in September. This is a perfect opportunity for our students to arrive back to school equipped and ready for their next challenge.

We have also sent out information attached in the bulletin about our transition days on Monday 21<sup>st</sup> and Tuesday 22<sup>nd</sup> June. We are extremely fortunate to be able to offer this opportunity and I would like our students to take up this offer.

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

This week, we received the exam results for the Functional Skills assessments in English and Maths. It must be said that they were very pleasing and showed what tremendous progress the students have made this year. We have now entered the students for the next set of exams that will begin week beginning 28<sup>th</sup> June.

PSHE&C Day will be a careers day for our Year 12s with speakers coming in from local colleges to give advice on students' next steps. This day has now been moved to the 30<sup>th</sup> June (students will not have an exam on this date).

### **Careers Education, Information, Advice and Guidance (CEIAG) – MRS LA SPISA & MRS KITE (email: [mlaspisa@tcs.lourdesmac.org.uk](mailto:mlaspisa@tcs.lourdesmac.org.uk))**

### **National Exam Results Helpline - An Update from DfE**

The Exam Results Helpline delivered by the National Careers Service, is available to young people, parents and carers, following receipt of their exam results. The helpline will open on the 9<sup>th</sup> August for vocational and related exams with A Level results being released on the 10<sup>th</sup> August and GCSEs on the 12<sup>th</sup> August. The helpline will be open weekdays from 8am to 8pm, and 10am–5pm each Saturday. Alongside the helpline customers can get in touch through webchat or social media using this link. The National Careers Service can still be contacted after the Exam Results Helpline is closed by phoning 0800 100 900.

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