

A Catholic School for All

Our Mission Statement

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

Parental Bulletin – Friday 25th 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)

Welcome again to our Parent Bulletin.

It is hard to believe that we are nearly at the end of our academic year with only four weeks to go. Year 10 have completed their end of year assessments and have collected progress data for Year 7, 8 and 9 which will be used to inform support for all students at the end of this academic year and the start of the next. We have been impressed by the focussed approach that Year 10 have had with regards to these assessments and hope to see a similar approach from when the students are in Year 11. Senior and Middle Leaders have been in discussion with regards to formulating an exciting and challenging Programme of Learning for next year. Work on site has continued on the lighting and electrical works and works are planned for over the coming weeks on other areas of the school site.

This week I would like to talk to you about the improvements we are seeing here at Trinity Catholic School. On Tuesday I held a meeting with parents to discuss the recent changes that we have made to improving the learning culture in lessons. You as parents have been kept informed as to when this was starting and what it entailed through these newsletters and through the parent meetings. I'm pleased that we are continuing the develop communication on changes within the school as it is vital that you are consulted on these key issues.

In the first two weeks of the behaviour changes the results have been better than expected. We have seen a drop of 56% in terms of behaviour referrals. In Year 9 referrals have dropped by 43%, Year referrals are down by 55% and Year 7 referrals are reduced by 50%. We want to ensure that these improvements continue, but the progress so far is very pleasing.

Doing the right thing is not always easy and the difficult path has been trodden by many. Tuesday 29th June sees the Feast of St Peter and St Paul. Both spread the word of Jesus under a regime that would ultimately put them to death. They knew this but spread the word regardless. We share many examples of heroism during collective worship and while we don't expect our students to put themselves in the way of danger, the value of resilience has been shared far and wide this term.

The right path is more often than not the difficult path. We're so proud that our students continue to make the right decisions rather than the easy ones.

I hope you have a lovely weekend.

Mr Alton

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

Sadly, our chaplaincy trip to Soli House in Staffordshire had to be postponed this week. We had hoped that the social distancing restrictions would be relaxed on 24th June, but it was not to be! Whilst hugely disappointed, the 15 students due to attend showed great resilience. On their request to make the best of the situation, we are planning an alternative retreat day in school next **Friday 2nd July**. Whilst I will oversee the day, the students were very keen to take on a planning role themselves. They are planning a Morning Worship liturgy, a Bible based treasure hunt,

parachute games, team sports and after a picnic lunch together we will be snuggling down with popcorn and snacks to watch an episode of 'The Chosen', the new TV series having a big impact on Christians around the world as it beautifully retells the events of the Bible, really bringing them to life. Students should come to the Chapel and register there at 9am. They may wear their own clothes as long as they are appropriate.

As you know, our red tutor group patron is Blessed Carlos Acutis. I would like to advertise with you a lovely event that has travelled around the world but which will be displayed in **St Joseph's Catholic Church in Newtown Road, Malvern**, which is just down the road from us! The Church will be exhibiting the Eucharistic miracles researched by Blessed Carlo Acutis over the weekend of **25th to 27th June**. All are welcome to attend. To read more about his extraordinary life visit: <https://www.birminghamdiocese.org.uk/news/miracles-come-to-malvern>

Congratulations to our tutor groups for the lovely prayer spaces in classrooms. Such a super effort! Many congratulations go to 7 Yellow who were chosen as our winners and received a pizza party yesterday with cookies too. Runners up 7 Green, 8 Green, 9 Green, 10 Red have received boxes of chocolates from Mr Foley.

Don't forget to bring in your foodbank donations on Monday 28th June, we will be celebrating the Vigil Mass of St Peter and St Paul. Catholic life reps and Chaplaincy team, along with our musicians, readers and altar servers will take the donations with them when they go down to St Peter the Apostle Church, Leamington for Mass. All donations will be gifted to the local branch of the St Vincent De Paul Society (SVP) which will distribute to those in need of support in the local community.

Have a lovely weekend.

Blessings as always
Emma

Assistant Principal – MRS HAYDEN (email: dhayden@tcs.lourdesmac.org.uk)

It's been another busy week for transition. On Thursday morning, in conjunction with The Mathematical Association Year 3 students from our feeder primary schools were invited to take part in the My First Maths Challenge. To add an extra sense of competition there was a Trinity trophy at stake for the highest scoring feeder primary school team. Congratulations to the team from Brookhurst Primary School who are the first winners of the Trinity Mathematical Challenge Trophy.



On Tuesday next week, we are hosting our virtually Trinity Spelling Bee for our feeder primary schools where another trophy will be at stake for the winning team.

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

Living Life to the Full (LLTTF)

LLTTF is an online cognitive behavioural therapy site which provides free resources and courses to help manage mental health and wellbeing.

[Living Life to the Full | helping you help yourself \(lltff.com\)](http://LivingLifeToTheFull.com)

The Kaleidoscope Plus Group has launched a Warwickshire support group for parents and carers supporting young people who self-harm.

The free service aims to:

- Bring together people looking after a young person who self-harms, and support each other in an informal setting.
- Provide a safe space where individuals feel understood and supported.
- Support parents understanding and supporting their child.
- Offer support, self-care and signposting information.

For further details email SPPARK@Kaleidoscopeplus.org.uk or call 07970 040016.

Word of the Week – Week Beginning: 28th June 2021



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The Word of the Week is: Uni- One (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



YouTube ^{GB} @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: 19th April to 21st July 2021 (Summer Term)

- Duke of Edinburgh – Year 9 and Year 10 – Wednesday 30th June 2021
- Revised Date: PSHE&C Day: Thursday 1st July 2021
- Year 11 Prom: Tuesday 20th July 2021 – Chesford Grange Hotel
- **End of Term: Wednesday 21st July 2021**

Friends of Trinity

Dear Parents/Carers

Friends of Trinity would like to offer second-hand uniform for sale via The Friends of Trinity Facebook Page over the summer. If anyone has any unwanted uniform we will be collecting donations outside the front of school on the morning of Friday 9th July, or alternatively please email our Chair, Liz Burley (elizabethjburley@gmail.com) if you have uniform to donate after this date.

Many thanks for your support.

Friends of Trinity

Attendance Reporting - Attendance Manager – MRS LYTWYNIW (email: 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:

[Trinity Catholic School - Current Vacancies \(trinity-school.org.uk\)](http://trinity-school.org.uk)

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/>

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.

Attendance

Our students have made an excellent return school and I am so please that they are back learning with their peers. I do have concerns with how the media are emphasising how behind young people are behind and this will no doubt create anxiety and stress amongst students, parents and teachers. Every tutor group in the school was given this message "you are starting back in exactly the same position as every young person in the country and across the world". Therefore, we are all at the same starting point.

The government is, quite rightly, pushing on attendance and whilst we are continuing to report all our absence to the local authority and Department for Education (DfE) there is going to be more scrutiny around improving attendance in schools. There is often a misconception with attendance especially if a student is attending 90% of the time, then that is okay. The government classes 90% as persistent absence and schools must have a plan to address any student who is below 90% or is in danger of failing into that category. The national average for schools currently is 94.5%, but most schools will expect attendance to be no lower than 96%.

The rationale behind having high attendance is that students have more opportunity to experience high quality teaching in the classroom and to achieve their goals. The DfE report that attendance is intrinsically linked to achievement and wellbeing. If students achieve, from an achievement and social and emotional wellbeing point of view they will ultimately have more opportunities open to them when they leave school. One of the main reasons we become teachers is to see children grow, be happy, achieve and have more opportunities later in life.

Each child is important to us and we want to ensure they are happy and enjoying school. If your child has any concerns or questions the school must be informed, as soon as possible. Your child's form tutor should be the first point of call, then their Head of Year and then the lead for pastoral care. Our attendance team are well equipped to support students and parents whenever help is needed.

Whilst we must drive attendance forward, we do appreciate that exceptional circumstances will play a part at some point through a child's life. If your child is absent, please report any absence to our Attendance Officer each morning.

Attendance Percentage		Days missed over a school year
100%		0 days
95%		10 days
90%		20 days
85%		30 days
80%		40 days

We will be sending reminder messages, twice each week about testing for Coronavirus. To maintain consistency, please can this test be carried out on a Sunday morning and Wednesday evening. The test should be logged via the NHS website, and you only inform Trinity if your child's test is positive. Testing kits will continue to be distributed via reception, however if you need an additional kit, please contact reception directly.

Please see the original message sent out last week:

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.

News from the Music Department – MRS HEWITT JACKSON (email: jhewitt@tcs.lourdesmac.org.uk)



We are pleased to announce that Trinity choir is participating in the schools choir for 'Art in the Park' on 7th August at 9.45am. All schools will sing 'Count on Me' by Bruno Mars and will sign using Makaton. Rehearsals will start in school and letters sent home this week.

We are also re-establishing our school orchestra, so if you used to play it no longer have lessons, dust your instrument and make yourself known to Mrs Hewitt Jackson. If you have any old instruments at home which are no longer use and you would be willing to donate them so another student can learn to play- please get in touch!

Pop Icons is postponed until September 2021.

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

We have had a chance to come together for a liturgy in the Theatre and I was very impressed with the reverence and engagement of the year group. They demonstrated their thoughtful and compassionate nature throughout. Part of the liturgy focussed on Corinthians 13:4-7 which you may recognise as it is so popular at weddings. The liturgy looked at the work of the St Vincent De Paul charity and how it works for the common good.

We then linked this to our school charity and asked the students to donate to a collection of food and/or a charitable donation for the Society in helping the vulnerable and homeless in the Leamington district.

Next Thursday we will have our third PSHE day of the year. The topics covered will include Diversity, Mental Health wellbeing, Identity, and autobiography. The SRE component will be delivered by myself to the whole year group using the **Ten Ten resources** that are designed to be specifically for Year 7. We are looking forward to the day and I believe the students will benefit greatly from covering the topics and issues in school.

Well done to Year 7 students: Moses D, Logan C, Samuel G, Holly N, Matthew K, Tyler P, Skye T who have received the most reward points this week. Keep up the good work!

I wish all of you a peaceful and restful weekend and would like to share with you part the Corinthians scripture: ***Love is patient, love is kind. It does not envy, it does not boast, it is not proud. It does not dishonour others, it is not self-seeking, it is not easily angered, it keeps no record of wrongs.***

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

This week saw the introduction of the Year 8 Form books. It has been wonderful to see the form groups really taking an invested role in demonstrating positive behaviour, attitude, and the school values and it has become very competitive! There has been lots of positive feedback received from teachers which has been lovely for both Mrs Malle and I to hear.

The top two students from each form who have been top in the excellent column this week are:

- 8 Red: Elanor G, Amelia B
- 8 Green: Rylie F, Vikki J
- 8 Blue: Martyna B, Alice B
- 8 Yellow: Elijah L, George J

Well done to all who have appeared in the excellent column, it is great to check the form book at the end of the day and see so many successes with our students.

Drum roll please! The form that is leading this week with the most positive points so far is.....8 Green!!

Well done to Year 8 students: Elsie A, Sheridan B, Alice B, Ethan G, Dhillon G and Jack-Tyler W who have received the most reward points this week. Keep up the good work!

Well done on a fabulous first week and keep up the great work, it is important that all behaviour and expectations set are met. Miss Malle and I look forward to seeing the success of the forms next week, who will be the final winner to win the food party at the end of term!

To ensure that our students are getting the most engaging and productive learning environment, Mrs Malle and I have also been reviewing the behaviour of the Year 8 students. Due to the concerns that have been raised about key individuals, we are looking at moving these students into different forms, to reduce and minimise distraction to the learning of others. Further details of this will be provided. If you have any questions regarding this, please do not hesitate to contact us.

Thursday 1st July 2021 will be PSHE&C Day. Year 8 students will be looking at the following:

Mental Health - Naomi Osaka
Sexual Harassment - Do you know what it is and how to report
Diversity in the Media
Well-being and Yoga

Thank you and we hope you all have a lovely weekend!

Miss Hanson

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

The fourth PSHE&C Day has moved date to Thursday 1st July. 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 'Vaccine Initiative'. The vaccine initiative lesson has been supplied by the Stephen-Hawking-Foundation and the University of London. The presentation discusses how informed students feel about the COVID vaccine. Further details regarding this lesson can be found at the URL listed below: <https://stephenhawkingfoundation.org/vaccines/>

Well done to Year 9 students: Roxy K and Chris G 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)

Our next PSHE&C Day is on Thursday 1st July. The topics covered on this day will be; British Heart Foundation (Call Push Rescue), Staying Positive (Resilience), Exploring Personal Strengths for Employment, Life Skills (Proactivity) and Sexting (NSPCC). The lessons will be delivered by the Year 10 tutor team. The lesson resources have been shared with our Learning Support Department. Should you wish to receive further information on these lessons, or a specific lesson within the day, then please email me to make a request (awillis@tcs.lourdesmac.org.uk).

Our fortnight of formal assessments has now concluded, and I want to thank students and parents/carers for their efforts. I am sure that the process has been a worthwhile one for many reasons. Students now know what the exam process entails. The use of external moderators, the sports hall, and all organisation, managed brilliantly by our Exams Officer Mrs Woldanski has added to the formality of the process and now all students have had an opportunity to experience what it will be like when they sit their GCSEs proper. I hope this process has focussed the minds for the important months ahead.

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

11 Prom

Due to recent announcement, the Prom date has changed to Tuesday 20th July and will still be held at Chesford Grange. Please return permission slips and OSA2 forms to reception and payment must be made via parent pay.

Transition Material and Transition Day

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.

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

The students have been working very hard to prepare themselves for their final set of English and Maths exams this academic year which start on Monday. The timetable is as follows:

Year 12 Exam Timetable

Monday 28th June	Writing Paper 10.30am Reading Paper 1.30pm
Friday 2nd July	Maths Paper A and B 10.30am

Some students may not be doing a reading exam as they are just re-taking the writing element. If this is the case, then students can go home after their writing exam **as long as parents/carers provide consent** via phone (01926 428416), email or Edulink.

Similarly, Friday, the maths exam should be finished by midday. If parents/carers provide consent, students can go home after their exam.

The date of the speaking element of the English exams is still being finalised but will take place during the week beginning 5th July.

Finally, Year 12 careers day with guest speakers from local colleges will be taking place on Wednesday 30th June so that students can get given advice on their future plans and next steps. We anticipate it will be an extremely useful day for them and are very much looking forward to it.

Our School Motto
Equal by means of God's image