

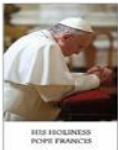
A Catholic School for All

## Our Mission Statement

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

### Parental Bulletin – Friday 9<sup>th</sup> July 2021

#### Let Us Pray: The Pope's Prayer Intention for July: Social Friendship



Let Us Pray

We pray that, in social, economic and political situations of conflict, we may be courageous and passionate architects of dialogue and friendship.

Amen

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

Welcome to our latest Parent Bulletin, I hope that you are all well and are looking forward to a thoroughly well-deserved summer break.

This week's gospel describes how Jesus sent the disciples to minister in his name and the disciples return to Jesus afterward. He sends our 12 disciples in total who were called the apostles 'one who is sent'. The number 12 is also a symbolic number as it represents the 12 tribes of Israel. Jesus' instructions to the apostles are very specific. He repeats the mission that they are sent to preach and that they share his authority to heal and to drive out demons.

Today, Jesus continues to send us into the world as his disciples, but like the first disciples, we are not sent alone. Jesus has given us the community of the Church which strengthens our lives and that of others. For all our students, and our community the mission that we share is built upon our core values of respect, resilience, aspiration and or virtue of integrity. I'm always impressed by the way our students have engaged in this mission through the difficult times that we have faced this year and I believe that we will be stronger for the experience.

Year 10 students have received booking information last week for our Sixth Form Subject Taster Day which will take place on Tuesday 13<sup>th</sup> July. The Year 10 timetable will be collapsed, and every Year 10 student will have the opportunity to sample the range of A-level and BTEC courses that we will be running in September 2022. Further details of the schedule and support sessions are attached to this bulletin. You may have seen the article in the Leamington Courier which focuses on the relaunch of our Sixth Form (if you haven't you can find it here: <https://www.leamingtoncourier.co.uk/news/people/leamington-secondary-school-is-set-to-re-open-and-relaunch-its-sixth-form-after-closure-3283601>). We're so proud to be able to offer the Sixth Form to our students again and we are really looking forward to delivering further education to our current Year 11's this September.

As we start to close the end of this academic year, we look forward to the next. End of year reports will be distributed in the final week of term to all students in Years 8, 9, 10 and 12 and I hope that scores in these reports reflect the effort that all students have put in this year. You will also be receiving details on COVID-19 testing on the school site on Monday 6<sup>th</sup> and Thursday 9<sup>th</sup> September with a consent return for all parents to sign. We'll also send confirmed details of the return of all students back to school on Monday 6<sup>th</sup> September and the timings for different year groups.

Year 11 parents and students will receive booking slots to collect GCSE results on Thursday 12<sup>th</sup> August next week.

#### **Consent for photo/video and trips to St Peter's Catholic Church**

Please can you complete this Microsoft Form to indicate your consent for the school to use your child's name, photo, video for our website, social media, internal displays and promotional materials. Please also indicate your consent for your child to attend trips to St Peter's Catholic Church on particular occasions during the school year for Masses, Services and charity projects. This link has also been sent out via Edulink. If you have more than one child please complete a separate form for each child. Thank you in advance.

<https://forms.office.com/Pages/ResponsePage.aspx?id=MKcd5G15b0SG85FNYTlvOAXbXGW2-1dIp5fWiSW36FhUNepCVkJITjEwTVdHMkZLWjZBUTNEVtK9RUIQICN0PWcu>

I hope that you all have a wonderful weekend.

Take care

Mr Alton

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



One of the most rewarding parts of my role as Lay Chaplain is to get to know students; to listen and to simply be a presence during the ups and downs of their time at Trinity. This week, I had the privilege to see the fruits of this as I sponsored one of our students at their Confirmation service. As Catholics, we are often baptised into God's family as babies, with our parents and Godparents making declarations of faith on our behalf. After a period of formation, we receive the sacrament of Confirmation and make these declarations by our own lips. It is as fully fledged members of the congregation of Christ in which we are conferred the gifts of the Holy Spirit to enable us to become missionary disciples.

Pope Francis is a staunch believer in the young people of the church. He echoes the words of St Paul to Timothy, also a young teenager, "Do not let anyone look down on you because you are young, but set an example for the believers in speech, in conduct, in love, in faith and in purity." (1 Timothy 4:12) As St Paul accompanied and encouraged Timothy, so it is our role to support the young people here at Trinity.

My prayers and blessings to Isabella G. who is now confirmed in her faith and I'm sure will continue to grow into an awesome woman of God!

If there are any students interested in finding out more about the Christian faith, I will be running exploratory courses in September such as the Youth Alpha, as well as a formation group for those wishing to receive the Sacrament of Confirmation. To register your interest in either of these, please email [erayment@tcs.lourdesmac.org.uk](mailto:erayment@tcs.lourdesmac.org.uk)

*Heavenly Father,  
We give thanks for the gifts of the Holy Spirit bestowed amongst us.  
Help each of us to use them for the benefit of Your kingdom.  
Guide us in your ways Lord and let us never depart from them.  
Amen.*

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

Poor mental health continues to be something many of our young people are suffering from. For parents/carers who feel they need more support on how to manage their children's mental health difficulties at home, please visit the websites below. There you will find both self-help guides and parental guides.

[A-Z mental health | Mind, the mental health charity - help for mental health problems](#)

[Conditions \(youngminds.org.uk\)](http://youngminds.org.uk)

**Word of the Week – Week Beginning: 12<sup>th</sup> July 2021**



**Week beginning: 12<sup>th</sup> July 2021 - The Word of the Week is: QUIZ 7**

**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\_leamington



@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)

- Year 11 Prom: Tuesday 20<sup>th</sup> July 2021 – Chesford Grange Hotel
- **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:**

[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 - Standards - Attendance - 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>

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.

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

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

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:

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.

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

I hope this bulletin finds you well. We are now approaching the end of the term at a considerable pace. I know that we are all looking forward to a summer break and a long-awaited return to greater normality. This first academic year has shown our Year 7 to be, for the most part, very resilient, and very keen to learn. They are fine ambassadors for our school.

I am sure that you have also been very aware of the events of Wednesday evening and England's first appearance in a major football final since 1966...it's been a long wait! Many of our Year 7 were very keen to talk about the game and it was lovely to see them filled with hope. The England team is a wonderful mixture of youth and experience and is full of people who have shown aspiration and resilience to achieve what they have achieved.

I am very proud of the young people we have in Year 7. The chaplaincy team and the form groups show real reverence and commitment to their school community. Last week saw the year group take part in a very successful PSHE day and will build upon the day in Year 8 onwards. Thank you to the tutors for making the day such a success.

Well done to Year 7 students: Riley M, Virginia P and Alice K who have received the most reward points this week. Keep up the good work!

Congratulations to Daisy C on her success in the Cheerleading Nationals event last weekend with 2nd and 3rd places gained! Well done, Daisy.

With Sunday in mind and English football's long wait for a final I want to leave you with a quote from Saint John Henry Newman:

*God has created me to do Him some definite service; He has committed some work to me which He has not committed to another. I have my mission.*

**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))

What an interesting time it has been for the England football team in the Euro competition! It has been lovely to see the excitement around school, and the constant singing of the one line "It's coming home" from many of the students, has very much got stuck in my head!

We are now coming into the home stretch before the summer holidays. A reminder for all Year 8's to keep working to their full potential. I know that it has been a difficult year, but the resilience and courage you have shown has been exemplary. Both Miss Malle and I expect all students to follow the uniform and behaviour expectations correctly and finish the year on a positive note.

Now to our own Year 8 Form book competition! Drum roll please..... and the winner this week is 8 Blue!! Well done, a fantastic week, and the first form group to get 5, 5's in one day!

Individual form success in the Form Book!

8 Blue: Annabelle W and Mateo V  
8 Red: Olivia E and Elanor G  
8 Yellow: Akira-Mae S and Jack-Tyler W  
8 Green: Dominika B and Tobi S

There is only one week left in the Form Book competition! Last big effort by all forms, remember you are working as a team 😊

Well done to Year 8 students: Elijah L and Alice M who have received the most reward points this week. Keep up the good work!

I hope you have a lovely weekend and enjoy the final on Sunday if you are watching it! The big questions for you all..... Is it coming home???

Miss Hanson and Miss Malle

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

We have just completed week thirty-seven of the thirty-nine school weeks in Year 9 before beginning GCSE studies. Engagement during these final weeks of Key Stage 3 is vital for students to continue to improve their subject knowledge across their wide and varied curriculum. I would like to congratulate the Year 9 students who have exhibited their personal **integrity** and **aspiration** by meeting and often exceeding their teacher's basic expectations in lesson.

Please ensure that student uniform and appearance adheres to the school uniform policy. Key points to ensure compliance: hair colour should be all one natural colour, piercings should be an ear stud only, jumpers must be a plain black or plain grey V-neck, footwear must be all-black shoes in leather or leather style, no hooded tops with or without zips, false nails are not acceptable. Parental support is greatly appreciated.

Well done to Year 9 students: Tom F and Izsabel 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))

As we go into our last full week of Year 10, I have emphasised to the year group the importance of always showing Integrity and making sure that we end the year well. It has been such a strange, disrupted, and tumultuous year and there is the inevitable (and understandable) tendency to 'phase down' as we approach the end of the academic year. It is precisely for this reason that we need to maintain our high standards and ensure that we show consistent focus and concentration. Students have missed enough 'face to face' lessons with teachers, and I am sure that your child will feel better about their approaching Year 11 studies if they maintain this academic drive and determination to learn until our last day of Year 10.

Can I also remind parents that standards of dress are critical in reinforcing expectations and attitudes towards learning. Having been in a privileged position to visit a school this week in a deprived area of the country, where every student was dressed as expected, and where I did not witness one child in a pair of trainers, this was clearly

reflected in their purposeful approach to their learning and their respectful and polite interaction with staff and peers. Please ensure that your child is adhering to these expectations of dress, behaviour, and attitude.

Five students that have consistently shown this approach (and are always dressed impeccably) are Hollie G, Amy A, Reese, Ellis and Eliza. These students are our top 5 Dove merit scorers to date this academic year. There is still time for some to challenge these students!

Well done to Year 10 students: Amy A and Libby B who have received the most reward points this week. Keep up the good work!

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

### **11 Prom**

Due to recent announcement, the Prom date has changed to Tuesday 20<sup>th</sup> 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.

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

It is unfortunate that we have had to isolate Year 12 due to a few positive cases being detected this week within the year group. Students will return to school on **Friday 16<sup>th</sup> July 2021**.

Speaking exams that were due to take place this week have been postponed, we are hoping that we can squeeze them in between Monday 19<sup>th</sup>-Tuesday 20<sup>th</sup> July. It is dependent if the examiner can make it on these dates which we are currently trying to sort out.

With Year 12 having finished their maths and English exams, the last few weeks was due to have a PSHE/life-skills focus. I know all students have access to Edulink, so I have posted some of the content that we were going to go through on 'homework' on Edulink. Please be sure to have a look at it as it has some valuable information and activities to have a go at.

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