TRINITY ALL THROUGH SCHOOL

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WEEKLY NEWSLETTER

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Parent Governor Required

See page 5 for more information

Dear Trinity families

Hope you have had a pleasant and enjoyable week. This week we have launched the 'For Jimmy' Safe Haven Community project with all our year 7 and 8 pupils. This launch was followed by specific workshops with a group of 30 individuals. The project will continue this half term and will be launched to year 5 after Easter so that our pupils work together to make the surrounding community safer for everyone. It has had an amazing start to the Lent term and we are really looking forward to working with the community surrounding the school. Alongside this the Senior Leadership Team have been planning exciting opportunities for our Trinity Futures fortnight which will start straight after February half term. This is around looking at different career paths, getting key employers in to talk to our pupils and looking at raising aspirations. We are already gearing up to this week as we had an ex pupil of Trinity School who is currently reading English at Cambridge come and talk to different groups of pupils about her experiences and what life is like at a major University. We keep in contact regularly with pupils who have left us and we know already of 3 year 13 pupils who have been offered places at Oxford and Cambridge – which is excellent news.

The internet is amazing. Children can play, learn, create and connect – opening up a whole world of exciting possibilities. But with the digital world changing all the time, how can you make sure your child's staying safe? In a few weeks we have our E Safety (Electronic – Safety) Week for pupils across the whole school. Please do check our website for advice and look up the NSPCC website for specific information that will help you understand safety tips for having technology in the home. This will help you with the types of safety nets you can set up and manage, as well as the types of questions and discussions around safety using the internet you can have with your children. Together we can make sure the amazing worldwide web is supporting the development of our children.

Have a great week.



David Lucas Executive Headteacher – Secondary & Primary Phase Trinity All Through School

CONSULTATION ON THE SCHOOL TIMING OF THE DAY

Please see back page for more information.

Upcoming Parent Evenings

PRIMARY PHASE

Parent Evenings Wednesday 6th February 3:45 – 6pm Thursday 7th February 3:45 – 6pm

SECONDARY PHASE

Y10 Parents Evening Tuesday 5th February 3:45 – 6pm



Visit our website and check out the links in the Secondary section under Key Information E Safety.

Useful links explaining how to keep our children safe when using their mobile phones, tablets, internet, facebook, twitter etc. Advice on cyber crime, bullying, social media and more.

www.trinitylewisham.org



PRIMARY PHASE



Dear Trinity families,

It has been another fabulous week in the primary phase.

In particular, it has been wonderful to see how lucky we are as a school to have such an active community of parents and friends.

To start the week, we had high attendance at our 'Early Years Maths Drop-In', during which parents were afforded the opportunity to join their children in reception classes and participate in some fun maths learning. On Tuesday, parent volunteers kindly supported our Year Two trip across London to Kew Gardens. On Thursday, yet more parent volunteers supported our 'Healthy Eating Cooking Workshop' for all pupils across the primary phase, run by Cook School and set up by Mrs Varghese. Thank you so much for your ongoing contribution to school life – it really does benefit our pupils.

Next Friday, you will receive a letter asking for preferences of time slots for our Parents' Evening dates in February. This will follow the traditional model of Parents' Evenings, where you will have the opportunity to speak to the teacher one to one about your child's progress. We will be holding another Open Classroom style Parents' Evening again in the summer term and in October next academic year.

As ever, I wish you the very best of weekends, full of rest and fun, ready for learning on Monday.

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Head of School, Primary Phase Trinity All Through School

EYFS Maths Drop In Morning

This was an opportunity for our parents and carers to come and see how we make maths learning fun in the Reception classes. Thank you to all the families that came along this morning, the children loved showing off their learning and we hope you left with lots of new ideas!

https://trinityprimarylewisham.blogspot.com/2019/01/eyfs-maths-drop-in-morning.html

Year Two Visit Kew. Plant Scientists!

Year 2 showed off their scientific skills at the Royal Botanical Gardens, Kew. Children identified the parts of plants and learned the basics about pollination through performing a bee waggle dance when they discovered colourful flowers around the gardens.

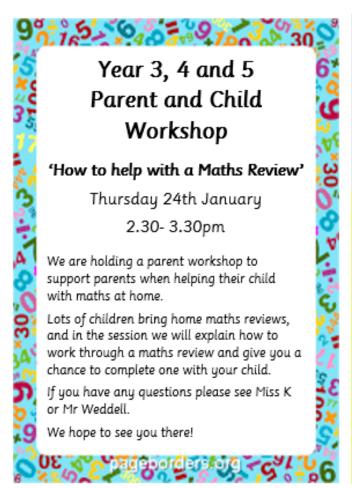
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Trinity's Cook School

The whole school enjoyed learning about healthy eating with Cook School, a specialist cooking school that come into schools to work with children giving them the skills to cook for themselves, to address healthy eating and be aware of diet and the impact on health. Jess from London City Harvest also came to support our cooking day- a charity that provides kitchens, and community centres across London with food that would otherwise go to waste.

https://trinityprimarylewisham.blogspot.com/2019/01/trinitys-cook-school.html?m=1







PAFT ANNOUNCEMENT - Parents & Friends of Trinity

Calling all those parents who like a bit of painting and decorating!!

Primary school are wanting to complete a mural painting on one of the walls at te primary site and need some help! The mural will be a dragons tail and will display quotes from the recent Year 4 Big Writes – How exciting!

If you are interested please see details below – don't worry you do not have to be a Picasso!

DATE: 2nd & 3rd February 2019 – ONLY ADULTS please, just to prevent any paint disasters!

School will provide paint but if parents could come with a brush that would be appreciated.

Please email <u>pafttrinity@gmail.com</u> if you are free and would like to volunteer some of your time, even if it's just an hour!

Tea, Coffee and cakes will be provided

Thank you PAFT TEAM

Uniform News

The school, at the request of the Governors, have recently conducted a review of the current arrangements for the purchase of school uniforms and equipment. A number of alternative suppliers were considered and compared against the current supplier Wearabouts.

After careful consideration it was decided that the best option would be to stay with the existing supplier. The main factors considered in reaching our decision were that they offered the best in terms of cost and quality. We also looked at customer service and found the alternatives no better than Wearabouts.

Wearabouts will therefore continue to be the only provider of uniforms. They currently offer a free delivery service to the primary school and we are looking to extend this to the secondary as well.



CHAPLAIN'S CORNER

By Reverend Juliet Evans

Now when all the people were baptized, and when Jesus also had been baptized and was praying, the heaven was opened, and the Holy Spirit descended upon him in bodily form like a dove. And a voice came from heaven, "You are my Son, the Beloved; with you I am well pleased."

Luke 3: 21-22

In worship this week the pupils have been reflecting on the story of Jesus' baptism. In this story Jesus is shown to be the Son of God and he is told how loved he is and that he is pleasing. Sometimes we tend to think that our value comes from what we achieve – we feel that our worth comes from our success. In this story we are challenged in our Church of England school to see things differently. Jesus knows his value before he begins his work. We also need to remember how loved we are so that we can truly flourish. In our whole school worships we watched a clip from the Lion King to illustrate the story and the point of feeling our worth so we can flourish. Simba looks at his reflection to remember who he is and get on the right track. Our Christian story reminds us to remember who we are – children of God, loved and pleasing; when we remember who we are we can begin to live life in all its fullness.

Heavenly Father
As Jesus your Son, your beloved, was baptized in the river Jordan
May we know ourselves to be beloved

Infinitely precious and valuable
As we recognise our worth
help us to live life in all its fulness
Amen



Our Secondary site reflection corner on the first floor is an easily accessed quiet space for prayer and solitude outside of lesson times.

Many of our students are enjoying this sacred space.

One of our pupils who likes to use the space said, 'I like sitting and thinking and I just let my thoughts happen which helps me stay calm'.

Another said, 'I pray for my behaviour and to do well in my exams'.



REFLECTION CORNER AT TRINITY



PARENT GOVERNOR POSITION AVAILABLE – ALL PARENTS/CARERS SECONDARY & PRIMARY PHASES

Would you like to become a Parent Governor for Trinity School? One of our current Parent Governors has recently become a Foundation Governor for Trinity creating a vacancy on the governing board for a suitable replacement Parent Governor position.

If you would like more information with regards to the commitments required when becoming a Governor please do talk to one of our current governors or email the school at: admin@trinity.lewisham.sch.uk – please put in subject heading Re: Parent Governor. We will then arrange for a Governor to contact you. Should you then be interested in applying for the position we require you to complete an information sheet about yourself which will be used to go out to all governors in an election to select the next Parent Governor.

THE ROLE OF THE GOVERNING BODY

We are a through school - nurturing and guiding our pupils from the age of 4 to 16 - and beyond. Our doors are open to all faiths and none.

Our aim is to be a strong Christian community in which children and adults - all of whom reflect the goodness of God-can flourish. A community where pupils fulfil their potential and achieve the very best educational outcomes, enabling them to make good life choices, to uphold British Values, and to take their place as citizens of the wider world.

The Trinity All Through School Governing Body provides strategic leadership and accountability for the school.

Its main functions are to;

- To provide a strategic overview that ensures the pupils learn most effectively and achieve the highest standards
- Act as a "critical friend" of the school by providing the Executive Headteacher, Head of Primary and staff with support, advice and information to monitor and evaluate the school's effectiveness and promote the interests of the school and pupils
- To ensure accountability. We are accountable to parents, pupils, the community, the Diocese, Local Authority and Ofsted

It is also responsible for many important decisions in the running of the school. These include:

- Appointing the Executive Headteacher and Senior Leaders. Governors are also involved in the appointment of teaching staff as appropriate
- Agreeing the aims of the school curriculum and ensuring the national curriculum is implemented
- Determining how the school's budget is to be used each year
- Dealing with official complaints and exclusions

Our Governors

Our governing body includes:

- The Executive Headteacher
- 1 elected staff governor
- 2 elected parent governors
- 1 governor nominated by the local authority
- 1 co-opted governor; and
- 8 Foundation governors.

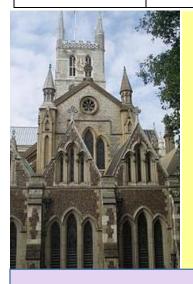
The staff governor is elected by the staff and normally serves for 4 years.

The parent governors are elected to serve the Governing Body by parents of the school and normally serve for 4 years. Parent governors are pleased to hear about views and ideas and can be contacted in writing via the school office. Foundation governors are appointed by the Southwark Diocese Board of Education, East Lewisham Deanery and Good Shepherd PCC.

The co-opted governor is invited onto the Governing Body, by the Governing Body, to add areas of expertise and to represent the local community. We use a robust set of skills audits to ascertain the requirements and expertise required by the governing body.

SECONDARY DATES TO DIARISE FOR FEBRUARY 2019

| Wednesday 30 th January | Flexi-day – a day of enrichment at the secondary site where pupils are immersed in one subject / theme to deepen their understanding and knowledge: | | | |
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| Wednesday 50 bandary | Y10 Financial Education sessions with MyBnk | | | |
| Friday 1 st February | All of Year 10 are at Christ the King 6 th Form College for Further Education Progression event. They will be having taster A Level lessons to help them focus on subjects they wish to apply for next academic year. | | | |
| Tuesday 5 th February | Year 10 Parents evening 3.30 – 6pm | | | |
| Monday 11 th February | Starting today Year 11 have their second Pre Public Exam (PPE) week. These are important mock exams to help evaluate pupils' progress and to practice their skills developed over the year so far. | | | |
| Tuesday 12th February | Anti-Bullying Ambassadors at workshop in Woolwich. | | | |
| Thursday 14 th February | Y7 trip to Southwark Cathedral. Full uniform essential. | | | |
| Friday 15th February | This is the last day before Lent half term – 1 week off. It is a normal school day with full uniform. | | | |
| Monday 25 th February | School reopens both secondary and primary. Start of Trinity Futures fortnight – we have many different activities booked for the week including past pupils currently at University (Cambridge, Bath and Southampton candidates this year) come and talk | | | |
| Tuesday 26 th February | Year 10 have their Careers Information advice and Guidance interviews starting today and going on for the rest of the week. | | | |
| | SCHOOL STARTS MONDAY 25 TH FEBRUARY 2019 | | | |



Year 7 Trip to Southwark Cathedral

February 14th 2019 (Valentine's Day)

All replies and money needed ASAP

Trinity Drama News

Key Stage Three:

All the students on Years Seven and Eight have had a chance to get used to the thrills and occasionally spills of Drama and there is a now a growing sense of the rewards of taking risks and trusting each other, nowhere more evident than in the physical connections these creative young students are making with each other and often crossing gender boundaries. The standout work of the term so far was from Britney Dike 7JCR and Caleb Forgie 7NBO who created a beautiful sequence (in ten minutes) about a couple beginning their day based around a sequence of drops and catches.

Drama Club:

Our Drama club is up and going and peopled by a faithful cohort of extremely talented Year Sevens with the occasional equally impressive Year Eight student dropping in. EVERYBODY is welcome and if you are interested in performing later on in the year, now is the time to show your face because we are playing around with a few performance options and scripts which should see life in the last term. Every Tuesday from 3pm-3.45pm.

Key Stage Four:

A very busy time for all the increasingly impressive Year Nines and Tens-last term saw Scenes from a Wardrobe, a trip to the Southwark Playhouse and a series of workshops. This term the Year Tens will be creating their own pieces of Drama with the aid of the Donmar Warehouse and taking them to an invited public and the Year Nines will be visiting the Donmar to see a production and beginning preparations for their own performance piece later in the year





Trinity recently donated sets of school books to Sierre Leone via a charity. The books were distributed to a small rural village where eager young pupils at the village school were hungry for new books to read and learn from. Books are such a precious commodity to these rural schools in Africa and it is refreshing to see how eager these young minds were.

Form time Reading

Every Wednesday form time, all students take part in whole class reading where they read a set text out loud as a group, each child having a copy of the text and taking it in turns to read sections. This shared reading provides valuable fluency practice and allows form tutors to correct pronunciation or accuracy errors as and when they arise. Because all students have a copy of the text, everyone is practicing reading at the same time, either by reading out loud or by following along when others read. Form tutors insist upon projection, correct intonation and accuracy and model good reading themselves so that students regularly hear skilled readers. Having a regular, shared reading session is slowly helping to create an ethos and culture where reading is normalized.

Year 7 are reading a selection of abridged classics, including *The Illiad, Dracula, Oliver Twist and Sherlock Holmes*, the intention being to introduce them to canonical works of literature and build their cultural capital. Year 8 are reading *Things Fall Apart* by Chinua Achebe, a seminal work of Nigerian Literature. Year 9 are reading *The Magic of Reality* by Richard Dawkins, a non-fiction book that explains natural phenomena and some of the biggest scientific questions. This text was chosen to develop students' background knowledge and help support their science learning. Year 10 are reading *A Little History of the World* by E. H Gombrich, a sweeping historical overview that begins in Neolithic times and sketches a fantastic narrative of world history up until the First World War. This non-fiction text was chosen to develop student's general knowledge, specifically helping them with their humanities subjects.

Reading Homework

Beginning this term, students in all year groups (except for year 11 who are focusing on exam preparation) have been given a booklet of additional reading extracts that complement their English lessons. These texts will not only provide important reading fluency practice, but will also help them to broaden their knowledge of the themes and ideas within the text that they are studying in their English classes. After reading each text, students need to answer a series of questions in order to demonstrate their understanding.

Once a student has learnt how to decode (accurately change the letters onto the page into sounds) then reading ability is almost entirely based upon background knowledge and vocabulary. Students who read regularly and widely will be slowly developing their vocabulary and increasing their general knowledge. If students are serious about getting good grades at English Language GCSE, they need a wide general knowledge so that they are able to cope with unseen extracts. As a parent, you can help by checking that they complete their reading homework each week as well as encouraging them to read a book for pleasure. Modelling reading is also an important approach: if students see you reading then they are more likely to perceive reading as something pleasurable.

PE DEPARTMENT SPORTING FIXTURES

| Sport | Year Group | Date | Staff |
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| Rugby | Y8 Boys | Tuesday – 22 nd January | Mr Cruz |
| Football | Y9 Girls | Wednesday – 23 rd January | Mrs Wright |
| Rugby | Y8 Girls | Thursday – 24 th January | Mrs Wright |
| Football | Y7 Boys | Monday – 28 th January | Mr Cruz & Terry |
| Netball | Y7 Girls | Monday – 28 th January | Mrs Wright |
| Rugby | Y9 Boys | Monday – 4 th February | Mr Sedlak |
| Rugby | Y10 Boys | Wednesday – 27 th February | Mr Sedlak |
| Rugby | Y10 Boys | Thursday – 28 th February | Mr Sedlak |

REMINDER YEAR 9s

YEAR 9 MenACY Immunisation day

Wednesday 23rd January

(Meningococcal, Tetanus, Diptheria, Polio)

PLEASE RETURN CONSENT FORMS A.S.A.P.

This immunisation is a pre-requisite for University.

Private cost: £200.00

PRIMARY PHASE - NEWS

HUSTLE AND BUSTLE

Trinity Gallery

When: 4th-8th February 2019

Where: Main Foyer/ Front Office Area

A collection of contemporary art, inspired by and based upon the work of British Artist, Laurence Stephen Lowry.

Lowry's work was greatly influenced by the **hustle and bustle** of city life and depicted many urban and industrial working environments. He developed his own style of painting and is famous for his human figures often referred to as "matchstick men".

All children at Trinity Primary are creating their own masterpieces based on the hustle and bustle of our school and life in Lewisham.

We will be displaying these masterpieces in our own immersive Trinity Gallery at the main entrance on the week of the

4th of February 2019.

Please come along and take your time to enjoy the hard work from all children across the school.





WE NEED YOUR HELP!



As part of our collection, we will be making models and structures that require lots of materials.

If you have any of the following that you are able to **donate** to the school this week, (by the 25th of January) we would be very grateful.

- Cardboard boxes (cereal or shoe boxes etc)
- black, red, gray material (old pillowcases/ offcuts etc)
- Black/grey/dark wool



Goina To Work

Thank you so much for your continued support with the school, we really appreciate it. We hope you enjoy the outcomes!

Miss Kiley

Year One Teacher and Art Lead

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| 24/01/2019 | AM | Years 3-5 parent workshop - How to do a maths review | | |
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| 04/02/2019 - 08/02/2019 | | E Safety week & Art exhibition in hall (after school) | | |
| 06/02/2019 | 3:45pm - 6pm | Parents' Evening | | |
| 07/02/2019 | 3:45pm - 7pm | Parents' Evening | | |
| 14/02/2019 | 3:30pm - 4:00pm | Year 3 Cake sale | | |
| 15/02/2019 | AM | Year 1 Parent workshop - Phonics drop in session | | |
| 15/02/2019 | 1:45pm pick up | Half term (Half day) | | |
| 25/02/2019 | | First day back | | |
| 07/03/2019 | | World Book Day | | |
| 11/03/2019 - 15/03/2019 | | Science Week | | |
| 15/03/2019 | 3:30pm - 5pm | Science Fair | | |
| 22/03/2019 | | Red Nose Day - theme to be decided | | |
| 04/04/2019 | 3:30pm - 4:00pm | Year 2 Cake sale | | |
| 06/04/2019 | 1:45pm pick up | Easter Break | | |
| 24/04/2019 | | First Day Back | | |
| 01/05/2019 | 3:45-5pm & 6:00pm- 7:00pm | Parent open classroom evening | | |
| 03/05/2019 | | Be Courageous Day | | |
| 06/05/2019 | | Bank Holiday | | |
| 14/05/2019 | 3pm | EYFS- Year 2- 'How to Have Fun Reading' parent Session - Playground afterschool | | |
| 08/05/2019 - 10/05/2019 | | Year 4 Residential trip | | |
| 21/05/2019 | | Share a story with Steph parent session - Playground aferschool | | |
| 24/05/2019 | 1:45pm pick up | Half Day / Half term | | |
| 03/06/2019 | | First day back | | |
| 07/06/2019 | | Fun Friday: TBC | | |
| 15/06/2019 | | Summer fair at Trinity Primary | | |
| 14/06/2019 | | Fun Friday: Immersive History Day | | |
| 28/06/2019 | | Fun Friday : Sports Day | | |
| 03/07/2019 | Evening | Through School Summer Showcase Concert - at Trinity Secondary | | |



Dear Parent/Carer,

The school has been given the opportunity to take part in a project that will run jointly between schools and the Metropolitan Police.

Operation Encompass is the reporting to schools, prior to the start of the next school day, when a child or young person has been exposed to, or involved in, any domestic incident. We know that children can be significantly physically or emotionally harmed when this is the case and the information received will be used to make sure the right support is available for children and their families.

Operation Encompass will ensure that a member of the school staff known as a Dedicated Safeguarding Lead, is trained to allow them to liaise with the police and to use the information that has been shared, in confidence, while ensuring that the school is able to make provision for possible difficulties experienced by children, or their families, who have been involved in, or exposed to, a domestic abuse incident.

We are keen to offer the best support possible to all our pupils and we believe this will be extremely beneficial for all those involved.

If you have any concerns or questions then please contact one of our school's Designated Safeguarding Leads and we will be happy to discuss this further. Further information about the project can be found on our school's website and is available at the school office on request.

Yours sincerely,

David Lucas

Executive Headteacher

Moira Cuthbert Chair of Governors

ALL SECONDARY & PRIMARY PARENTS/CARERS

Trinity Through School Consultation: timing of the school day

Trinity is a through school but we currently have different timings in operation at each of our sites; 08:30 - 15:00 for the secondary phase, 09:00 - 15:30 for the primary phase. As a single school we are proposing to align the start and finish times across our sites from September 2019. We would like to take on board your views to help inform our decision. Alongside this consultation with parents and carers we will also be seeking the views of staff, the local authority and other key stakeholders. Any change to the timing of the school day requires approval from the full governing body who will consider the opinions of all stakeholders.

Reasons to change the timing of the school day

- As a through school we need to make sure we are consistent and able to function effectively as a split site school having matched timings will support this.
- The primary and secondary phase teachers work very closely together and aligning the school day will make this easier. At the moment the different finish times and split site mean meeting times are limited.
- Aligning the start and finish times will minimise confusion

If we change the school day

If we do decide to change the start and end times of the day we will give you as much notice as possible as we appreciate it could affect your current arrangements. We aim to give you a full terms' notice with any change coming into effect in September 2019. We are committed to providing a range of extra-curricular activities and support families through the provision of a breakfast and after school club. The schools provision will match the changes and the external providers of our breakfast and afterschool club will form part of this consultation.

Options

| | elect your preferred option from the list below and return this form to reception at either site. Alternatively email consultation@trinity.lewisham.sch.uk with this form or just your preference in the contents of an email. |
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| | Start at 08:30 and finish at 15:00 at both sites |
| | Start at 08:45 and finish at 15:15 at both sites |
| | Start at 09:00 and finish at 15:30 at both sites |
| | No change – keep the times of the school the same as they are currently for all |
| Please ad | ld any additional comments / suggestions in the space below: |
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