



Mark Allen | Principal

I hope that everyone is safe and well. I am delighted to send out my fourth blog with yet further good news around recruitment. Please read below to meet two more members of our team and get an important update from me about our school site.

Over the next few weeks we have our latest round of recruitment of staff and will be filling positions for Curriculum Leaders, subject co-ordinators and teachers. I will introduce colleagues once we have appointed them all.

In the meantime, we continue to move towards opening in September and are currently working on lots of exciting systems for both staff and pupils while starting to develop our curriculum offer. We have also finalised the uniform and I will share photos, prices and details of what is needed and where you can buy it from in a future blog.



Subject Co-ordinator for Arts and Technology | Chris Dyer

We have recently appointed a Subject Co-ordinator for Arts and Technology, Mr Chris Dyer. Chris brings a wealth of experience and an outstanding track record from one of our Trust schools and he will make an excellent addition to the team.

I am enormously excited to be starting my new role as Subject Co-ordinator for Arts and Technology, within our new academy at Barnsley. I have over 20 years of experience working within Art, Design and Technology and I love my subject and the creative nature of it.

STEM is at the heart of everything we will be doing at Trinity Academy Barnsley and I am a passionate advocate of art and technology, both within and outside the classroom. I strongly believe that all pupils should be given the opportunity to explore and grow within an action-packed technology curriculum, and that the visual arts are a powerful force to inspire and raise achievement amongst all students. Your child can look forward to a forward thinking and extra-curricular program of activities in their time with us!

## TAB Site!

As some of you may have seen there was an article in the Barnsley Chronicle regarding the site and our academy. Below is the response that I have placed on our website about this and I hope that this and the latest appointments help to reassure you we are moving forward as planned.

### Update on progress from the Principal:

As the chosen provider to deliver the new school, Trinity Multi-Academy Trust is committed to setting up and operating Trinity Academy Barnsley from 1st September 2021, and our partners the Department of Education and Barnsley Metropolitan Council, are working with us to ensure this is delivered.

I want to reassure parents that we are on target to open the school in September 2021, this is of course subject to planning and building control permissions, which are in the process of being obtained and we are confident of a successful outcome to meet the needs of the local population. Information will continue to be added to my blogs and the website as it becomes available. Please email us with any questions via [contactus@barnsley.trinitymat.org](mailto:contactus@barnsley.trinitymat.org) giving a contact telephone number, and will be get in touch with you directly.

## NEW! Governor

I am delighted to announce that we have appointed our second Governor, Jenny Davis. Jenny brings senior leadership experience from a special school setting alongside years of work facilitating school-to-school support. Another excellent addition to our Governing Body.

My name is Jenny Davis and I am honoured to be appointed as a Governor and to be part of this exciting development of a new secondary school in Barnsley. Barnsley is my home town, I am a miner's daughter and proud of that. I have worked in education for 27 years in various Barnsley schools and Local Authority services.

... read more on our website!

Governor | Jenny Davis



Tilly Batty's design!



WINNER!

A HUGE congratulations to our Christmas card competition winner, Tilly Batty! The image above will become the official TAB 2021 Christmas card! We can't wait to get it professionally printed and sent out to you all next Christmas.



Executive Principal | Rob Marsh

As we approach the opening of Trinity Academy in Barnsley, things are getting really exciting. My involvement with the Trinity MAT stretches back to its beginning in 2010. As Vice Principal at Trinity Academy Halifax, I worked as part of a team that gained the Ofsted Outstanding grade in 2013 and then became Principal at Trinity Academy Cathedral in 2016. That project has been amazing. I have worked alongside a team of talented staff who have been able to transform an underperforming school into one of the best in the country. At Cathedral we were awarded the TES Secondary School of the Year in 2019 and have been in the top 10% in to the country for academic progress for four years now... [read more on our website news section!](#)

