

PRINCIPAL'S WEEKLY UPDATE



Word of the week – Epitaph

Worship Theme of the week – Remembrance

Core value of the week – Respect

Biblical reference of the week – John 15:13

I hope everyone had a lovely half term and some great family time. It has been wonderful to see all the children return this week refreshed and ready to go. This has been a rewarding first week back. Firstly, we have been celebrating all year groups' performance in their Masters of Recall Big Quiz. The average score for each year group was in the high 80% range – an incredible achievement and it shows how committed and hard working our students are. Celebrating everyone's performance and special mentions this week, brought out another value in our children: pride. The pride they show on their faces for being successful is brilliant to see and something we celebrate and encourage daily. We are immensely proud of all our students; it is great to see the pride they have in themselves and their achievements. We have held our Remembrance event today, please see below for details; this was the second part of our rewarding week. Reflecting and thinking about the sacrifices that members of our local community made to ensure we have the world we have today is a rewarding time. Rewarding because of how thankful we are for what they did, and for the chances they gave us to live our lives. I hope all of us can reflect further this weekend on the sacrifices our Armed Forces made, and I hope you can all reflect on how rewarding your lives are due to this. I am really looking forward to next week and all the excellence it will bring.

Masters of Recall

Below are the groups that we celebrated for their Masters of Recall performance. As well as rewarding our Top 20 and Fabulous 50, we also celebrate every single 100% in every subject. There may be some students that achieve lots of these, there may be some that achieve one or two, we celebrate them all.

There are lots of students who get fantastic results in every subject but not quite getting 100%, we celebrate these too and over the year will recognise the progress they make in their results. For each year to score an average in the high 80% range just shows the fantastic performances of all children.



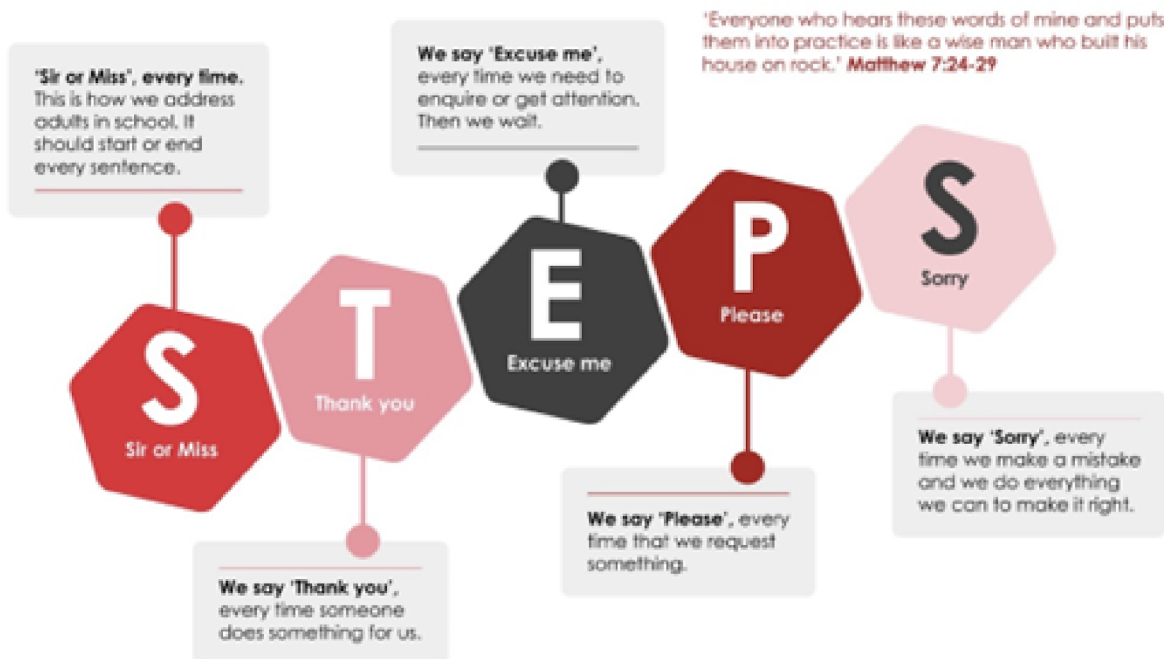
Masters of Recall - 100%

We were delighted to recognise the outstanding achievements of five Year 7 boys who scored 100% in their Masters of Recall Big Quiz. To get 160 questions correct is incredible and we have never had a Year 7 student do this in the first quiz of the year. Simply outstanding boys, well done!



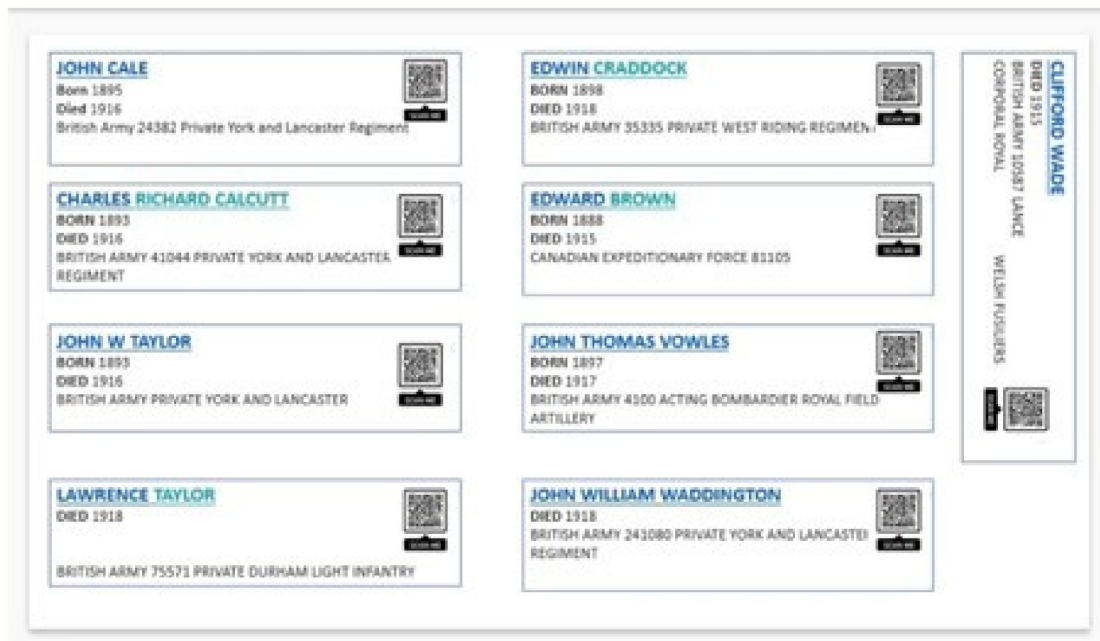
STEPS

Part of the work we do around teaching great behaviour and manners is to focus on our STEPS. We pride ourselves on using good manners and I constantly hear from members of the public and visitors to the school about how polite and respectful our children are, and what beautiful manners they have. Every week in form time we focus on one of the letters and think about how we can display our manners. This week we have been focusing on the first 'S' – it has been lovely to hear all the times our children have been addressing staff in the right way. Next week, we will be focusing on the 'T' and saying thank you when people do things for us.



Remembrance

We attended the Remembrance Service held at Barnsley Town Hall this morning. We purchased a wreath on behalf of all our families and laid it alongside other wreaths from other agencies in the area. I am so proud of our attendance at the event every year. In school, we all observed a two-minute silence and listened to the last post. Mrs Vallance sourced a resource for every student to use. This resource gave a QR code that gave details of a Barnsley soldier that died during WWI. It is always important we remember those who gave so much for us.



Music Award

I am delighted to inform you all that we have received another external award for the work we do. This time our superb music department has been accredited. As you know, Miss Miller does a tremendous job with our music curriculum and our INVOLVE clubs and her work alongside Barnsley Music Service has contributed to this award. It was Barnsley Music Service who nominated us for this award due to 'our commitment to providing high quality music education for all students and the value we place on music as part of our academy community.' I know how important music and musical performance is to Barnsley, to our children and our families, and we look forward to continuing to deliver our outstanding provision.

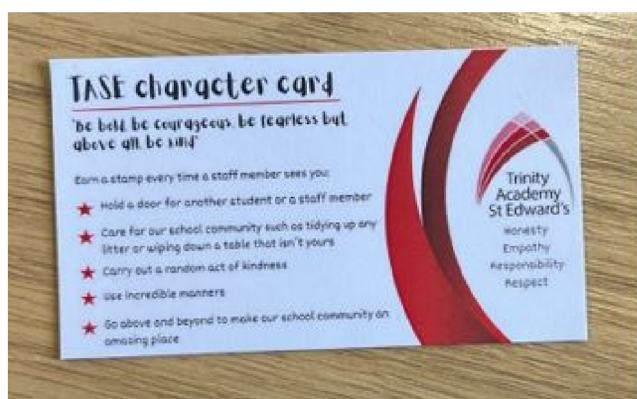


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Character Cards

Next week we will be launching our new 'Character Cards'. These cards will be given to every student. Staff will be able to add a sticker to each star when a student does something that demonstrates our core values. We strongly believe in living out our core values and our Christian Vision each day; this gives us the chance to reward this. Every time a student fills their card, they can post it in one of boxes and every half term we will draw out numerous cards to win a variety of awards. The more cards the fill, the more chance they have of winning a prize. One thing I am incredibly proud of is the conduct of our children and this is a way we can continue to recognise these skills, as well as students' academic excellence.



Parent Leadership Group – Year 7 parents

Last year I established a Parent Leadership Group. This is a group of parents who meet with me and other staff once every term to discuss how we can improve our offer for our community, how we can support parents, and how we can support local charities. We have our first meeting coming soon (at the end of November) where we will be looking at this year's plan and working towards a Parent Partnership Award. If there are any Year 7 parents who would like to join this group and take an active role in supporting our school, please can you email Mrs Francis via her email efrancis@stedwards.trinitymat.org before Friday 24th November.

TASE PSHE Parental Meeting

At Trinity St Edward's we value PSHE and the impact this has on our students' lives. We are hosting a parental meeting where parents from Y7,8 and 9 are invited to see how the PSHE curriculum is taught here at TASE.

The meeting will take place on the 29th November 5:30pm until 6:30pm and will give parents the chance to hear from the Curriculum Leader for PSHE Miss Hammill, see the external providers that come into school and ask questions about the PSHE curriculum. The meeting will also include support services that parents can access independently for support on issues such as mental health.

Dates for your diary/upcoming events

Thursday 16th November – MFL Careers Assembly with Y9

Friday 17th November – STEM Drop Down Day 1 – Sustainability

Wednesday 29th November - PSHE Parental Meeting