



# PRINCIPAL'S UPDATE

8TH MARCH 2024

**Word of the week – Knowledge**  
**Worship Theme of the week – World Book Day (7 Mar)**  
**Core value of the week – Take responsibility**  
**Biblical reference of the week – Proverbs 19:8**

I have looked back on this week and wondered where has it gone! There are so many events and experiences happening for our children that just make time fly by. We welcomed senior leaders from another trust in Nottingham this week to learn about the things we do at TASE and for them to see our teachers in action and meet our wonderful children. They were blown away with the high standards shown and have taken lots of ideas to use in their schools. I had the pleasure of listening to the Student Senior Leadership team interviews on Monday. Eight Year 7 students wrote an application and then were invited to be interviewed by five current members of the SSLT. All the Year 7 students spoke very well and gave a very good account of themselves. It fills me with pride to listen about how proud children are of their school, their community and the aspirations they have for themselves. What a bunch of outstanding role models! Yesterday we celebrated World Book Day in true TASE fashion, the staff really drove home the importance of reading and came together as the strong, dedicated team of professionals they are to showcase our gothic theme.

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# CELEBRATION ASSEMBLIES

We really enjoyed immersing ourselves in the brilliance of Y8 and Y9 students for their celebration assemblies. There are so many talented children in all our year groups and our culture of celebration and embracing everyone's achievements is great to see. This week we have awarded so many bronze and silver achievements badges; a reflection of the work being done in lessons. Alongside this, we have awarded subject heroes, character card certificates and SLO awards. Y7 have their assembly next week.



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# PLG

You have all been sent a letter this week from Mr Esberger, our Assistant Principal – Pastoral. He is the colleague who is working with our Parent Leadership Group. I hope this letter is useful to you, it gives details of the work the PLG are doing and the questions, queries and concerns that parents/carers raise. This group is designed to support the work of the school and to give parents/carers a voice and a route to ensure senior leaders in school can act on it. We will continue to update you after each meeting, and you can now find the parent leadership work on our website. For ease, the link is here.  
<https://stedwards.trinitymat.org/key-info/parent-leadership-group/>

Trinity Academy St Edward's



**Parent Leadership Group**

## ROME TRIP

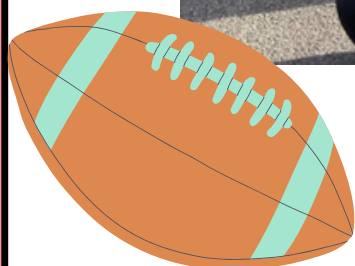
We are taking 19 students on a fantastic trip to Rome next week with Trinity Academy Cathedral and Trinity Academy Leeds. This was made possible by our trust bidding for a grant from The Turing Scheme. There is an action-packed itinerary for the students as they visit all the major attractions such as the Colosseum, the Vatican Museum and the Sistine Chapel. They will also spend at day at St George's International School and spend time with their students. What an amazing experience this will be. Please look out for photos on our twitter feed.

## Y9 OPTIONS EVENING

It was lovely to welcome so many parents/carers and children into the building on Wednesday night. There was lots of excitement (and indecision!) in the air, and we cannot wait to start delivering our Key Stage 4 curriculum. You have all been sent the Microsoft Form to complete choices, remember to give three preferences for Choice A and B and submit the form BEFORE 27th March.


# PE AND SPORTS

This week we have had fixtures at Netherwood, where over 40 students participated in three matches. Y7 won 3-1, Y8 won 5-3 and Y9 lost 6-1. It was brilliant to see so many students taking part. Later in the week, we took part in the latest Trinity MAT games and travelled to Trinity Academy Grammar with Y7 and Y8 girls. They all performed superbly well. Finally, our Y9 rugby boys joined another 60 boys from other schools to compete in another tournament. Well done to all who took part, we have plenty more fixtures upcoming.



# LENT

As I reported last week, we are in the period of lent and our bingo challenge will run throughout, please do try the challenges below at home. We will be supporting Barnsley Foodbank again during this time, if you would like to make any donations, please can you bring them in during the last week of the half term.



The poster features a central yellow banner with the text 'Lent' in a bold, dark blue font. Below this, the words 'Bingo Challenge' are written in a large, elegant, dark blue cursive script. In the top right corner, there is a logo for 'Trinity Academy St Edward's' which includes a stylized red and white emblem. The main body of the poster is a 5x5 grid of 25 colored boxes, each containing a challenge. The colors of the boxes are: Row 1: Green, Purple, Orange, Blue, Green; Row 2: Purple, Orange, Blue, Green, Purple; Row 3: Orange, Blue, Green, Purple, Orange; Row 4: Blue, Green, Purple, Orange, Blue; Row 5: Green, Purple, Orange, Blue, Green. At the bottom of the grid, the words 'PRAY - FAST - GIVE' are written in a large, bold, dark blue sans-serif font. The background of the poster is white with scattered colorful geometric shapes like circles, triangles, and lines.

**Lent**  
*Bingo Challenge*

Trinity Academy St Edward's

Complete your card by Easter

Ask a teacher how their day is going	Help cook dinner at home	Talk to someone who looks lonely in school	Donate an item of clothing to charity	Give someone a compliment
Do the washing up (without being asked!)	Text someone an encouragement -ment	Donate a toy or book to charity	Go the whole day without complaining	Change or quit an unhealthy habit
Tidy your bedroom	Have a device-free day - give people your full attention	FREE SPACE	Sign or share a campaign for something you care about	Thank the cafeteria staff in school
Make someone laugh	Give up a sweet treat today	Travel in an eco-friendly way today	Make a gift for someone	Write a thank-you note for someone
Invite someone to join you at lunch	Speak to someone you haven't spoken to in a while	Find a way to show appreciation to your family	Say sorry to someone you may have hurt	Pray for, or think about, those who are less fortunate than yourself

**PRAY - FAST - GIVE**

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# WORLD BOOK DAY

What a fantastic day yesterday was. Throughout the day a story was read in every lesson by staff and we came together to celebrate everything book related. We place such importance on reading in the school, it is such a vital skill for all children and we incorporate it into every lesson. We have reading in form time every day and each week in a dedicated English lesson. I'm sure you'll agree the staff at St Edward's did a fantastic job getting in the spirit with their outfits for our Gothic theme. My highlights had to be Mrs Fisher as Uncle Fester and Miss Baldock as the Queen of Hearts.



## BARNSELEY COLLEGE - JUNIOR CHEF DAY

Our friends at Barnsley College have asked us to send the below advertisement to parents. If we have any budding chefs out there who would like to sign up please scan the QR code.

### Calling all Junior Chefs!



Are you a gifted and talented chef in the making? This one-day cookery course is for anyone aged 10-16 years old. You will cook a mixture of savoury and sweet dishes, using seasonal produce to take home. Scan the QR code or visit the link to book:  
[www.barnsley.ac.uk/catering](http://www.barnsley.ac.uk/catering)

**Junior Chefs Academy - Main course**  
Tuesday 26 March  
9.00am - 1.00pm

**Junior Chefs Academy - Desserts**  
Wednesday 27 March  
9.00am - 1.00pm

Scan the QR code to book:



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# **DATES FOR YOUR DIARY/UPCOMING EVENTS**

**Monday 11th-Friday 15th March**  
**Rome Trip**

**Tuesday 12th March**  
**STEM drop down day – Space**

**Annual Rotary Technology and Engineering Tournament**

**Wednesday 13th March**

**Y9 Careers interviews**  
**Lego competition trip**

## **PE FIXTURES**

**Tuesday 12th March**  
**Y7 Basketball**

**Wednesday 13th March**  
**Y7-9 football and netball vs Barnsley Academy**

**Thursday 14th March**  
**Y7/8 basketball vs Campsmount**

**SEND Pentathlon finals @ EIS, Sheffield**