



PRINCIPAL'S UPDATE

29TH APRIL 2024

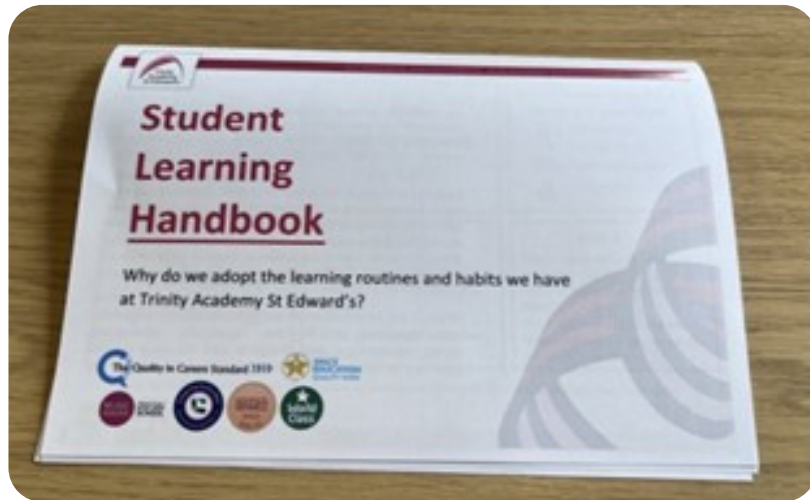
WORD OF THE WEEK – STEWARDSHIP
WORSHIP THEME OF THE WEEK – EARTH DAY (22ND APRIL)
CORE VALUE OF THE WEEK – TAKE RESPONSIBILITY
BIBLICAL REFERENCE OF THE WEEK – PSALM 104

Another action-packed week passed us by. It has been superb to see the level of focus and hard work that our Year 9 students have put into their assessments. Staff will now be enjoying marking their answers and preparing to give them back their scores. I love walking around the school on our INVOLVE nights and seeing the variety of clubs on offer and the engagement, knowledge and fun the children get out of them. My favourite is most definitely Mr Betts' music review session, although last week several staff were treated to a lovely performance from the children in the Vocal session Miss Miller runs. We are very fortunate to have such dedicated and skilled staff and I am sure you will agree the children benefit so much from lessons and clubs run by them. I am incredibly proud to lead this school and of all the #TeamTrinity family within it.

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STUDENT WORK BOOKLET

Shortly, we will be sending home with children a 'student learning handbook'. This is designed to give you all an insight into why we use some of our practices and policies and the benefit it creates. We hope this will enable you to support your child more at home when discussing work, learning and what happens in lessons. As we head into the new build and our founding cohort take their GCSEs there will be plenty more opportunities for parents to come to the build and be supported with revision techniques, exam preparation and so forth.



SURVEYS

Thank you to the 195 parents who completed the trust parents' survey. It is the feedback you give us in these surveys that enables us to make changes and inform you even more of the things we do. The booklet above was born out of feedback from parents in a previous survey. We really do listen, take on board your comments, and want to work with you to consistently make your children's learning here world class. Please do feed any other ideas into the Parent Leadership Group too.

The OFSTED parents' survey is always open, and I would strongly encourage you to complete this too if you already have not.

Ofsted parent view site: Please click here

<https://parentview.ofsted.gov.uk/login?destination=/give-your-views>

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TRANSITION VIDEO

Our student senior leadership team worked incredibly hard last week with an external company called Visualised it. They went to the Digital Media Centre and spent the day planning, producing, filming, acting and editing the video. It was all their own work, words and they discussed aspects of school life they wanted to highlight to our new Y7 cohort for September. Please look out for it on Facebook and X soon. We hope it helps our new cohort feel confident and even more excited. The leaders will be present to support the new Y7s in September in their first few weeks.



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EQUIPMENT

Thank you to all parents/carers who support the routines and structures we have in place, ensuring that children come to school fully equipped and ready to learn. Can I remind everyone that a school bag is part of our uniform requirement and children should be coming to school every day with a bag that contains PE kit (when needed), equipment to learn, jotter, knowledge organiser and a water bottle.



PSHE AND NEWSLETTER

Attached with this newsletter is a Personal, Social and Health Education update produced by our lead teacher Miss Hammill. Our children are lucky that they get a one-hour PSHE lesson every week and there are skilled staff delivering this. The PSHE curriculum enables children to learn about wider issues and to prepare for adult life. All the curriculum content is available online on our website. We will send out updates like these every term for you. Please do get in touch if you would like to know about any specific topics or gaps in knowledge you have. We will plan these updates around any suggestions parents/carers make too.

STEM DROP DOWN DAY

Tuesday 30th April is our rearranged STEM Space drop down day. Mrs Ledger has planned so many amazing activities that the children will learn about, take part in and will hopefully give them aspirations to work in the world of space. We will be putting lots of photos of the activities and creations on social media on the day, and some will be in the newsletter at the end of this week. The children love these days and I know they have another cracker to come. Days like these help us to be accredited with external award we have been given, one of very few secondary schools to receive it.



Space Education Quality Mark

As a STEM school we were delighted to receive the gold award for the Space Education Quality Mark (SEQM).

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APPRECIATION DAY

Next Thursday is our termly TASE Appreciation Day where students and staff fill in thank you cards to each other to show an appreciation of their work, or for the children, for their friendship and support. Each time I invite parents/carers to email in any thanks they would like to give to staff, and I write them a card on your behalf. Please do this again, it makes such a difference, they are so well received. Please email contactus with the message and the teacher or member of support staff's name and we will sort the rest.

LABOUR MARKET INFORMATION BARNSELEY

Please see attached to this email the current Labour Market Information (LMI) for Barnsley. Labour market information tells you what the workplace looks like. LMI is data taken from publicly available sources, which gives information on jobs and industries. This helps us understand the structural trends and demands of an economy. Labour market information describes the condition of the labour market currently and makes future predictions. It informs us where work opportunities are increasing or decreasing, what occupations exist, what you need to study to get into that occupation, what is required to take up an occupation, how you can find a job, change job or progress in a career. Labour markets operate at local, regional, national and now at international levels. Labour market information can be overwhelming and confusing. Learning what it is and how to use it can assist you in helping your child research careers and find out where those careers exist.



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DATES FOR YOUR DIARY/UPCOMING EVENTS

Tuesday 30th April

STEM Space drop down day

Thursday 2nd May

TASE Appreciation Day

Y9 aspiration assembly – presented by Chris Millard – Managing Director of the Barmy Army, the England Cricket team’s premier supporter’s club. Chris is an ex-student of Mr Allen and best friend of one of England’s best cricketers, Joe Root. Chris will explain his route through college and university and the decisions he made that have got him to where he is today.

PE FIXTURES

Wednesday 1st May

Y7 mixed cricket tournament at Rockingham CC, Rotherham

Thursday 2nd May

U13 girls’ cricket tournament at Rockingham CC, Rotherham