TRINITY ACADEMY ST EDWARD'S

UPDATE

17th October 2025

PRINCIPAL'S UPDATE

How have we got to the end of our first half term already? Another wonderful week passes by with lots of learning and some amazing experiences. Our Harvest liturgy was well received on Tuesday and thank you to all who sent in donations for the Food Bank.

It has been great to hear about the success of our students outside of school through sporting exploits and a group of our children supporting their old primary school. Ada Lovelace day was another great highlight of the week alongside our first 10p Tuesday for Barnsley Hospice.

We're looking forward to welcoming some Year 11 students into school through half term to use the expertise of our staff to help them with their studies. Thank you to all the parents/carers who attended their Parents' Evening this week. We can't wait to see how well they perform in their upcoming mocks.

Have a wonderful break and some well deserved family time. We will see you all back on Monday 3rd November.

Worship word of the week – Agape
Worship theme of the week – Compassion (Harvest Services)
Core value of the week - Empathy
Biblical reference of the week – Eph 4:32
British Value - Individual liberty

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Greenhead College

A wonderful group of our Y11 students started working with Greenhead College to complete an honours programme in French last week.

There are two more sessions taking place for them this school year.

Next Gen Leaders Welcome Event

Our Next Gen Leaders had a fantastic day at the Next Gen Leaders Welcome Event in Wakefield. They were learning how to work effectively as a team with lots of hands on activities and listened to inspirational speakers, including past NGL winners.

We are looking forward to working on lots of exciting projects together!

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University of Cambridge

Last week a group of our Y10 Trinity Scholars had the opportunity to visit the University of Cambridge.

This day trip was fully funded by the University. Students had a tour of the city led by students from the university as guides, they took part in a fantastic escape room game and found out a lot of useful information about the admissions process and life in Cambridge.

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National Youth Orchestra

The National Youth Orchestra is returning to TASE!

If you are a musician of any instrument at grade 3 or above, you are invited to a FREE day of music making with a world class orchestra!

Please sign up for this event by clicking the link in the poster below.

The National Youth Orchestra is coming to **Barnsley,** and we want to meet YOU!

If you are a local musician aged 12-18 (KS3 or above) and play any instrument at Grade 3 level or above, come and join the NYO Open event, a **free** creative day of music-making, during NYO Unite in Barnsley.

Connect with other young musicians, learn from our creative team and NYO alumni, and play your part in creating a brand-new piece, taking inspiration from orchestral music that NYO and NYO Inspire musicians will be exploring throughout the day. You'll be amazed how easy it is to make music with new people.

At the end of the day, you'll showcase your creation in a special NYO Unite sharing performance for your family and friends. Plus, you'll get to enjoy a live performance by other musicians participating in NYO Unite, featuring the very music that inspired your own piece.

Join our super friendly community to explore music, get creative and have fun playing together.

Sign Up by Thursday 23 October

What is NYO Unite?

NYO Unite is an epic day of music-making with the entire NYO community, which takes place at six different locations across the UK this autumn. Musicians from NYO and NYO Inspire will come together to explore new music in instrument groups and full orchestral rehearsals, and young musicians form local area will join through creative workshops.

Ready to make music a bigger part of you life? Find out how you can play your part in The National Youth Orchestra at **nyo.org.uk.**

If you have any questions, please get in touch with the team at **open@nyo.org.uk**.

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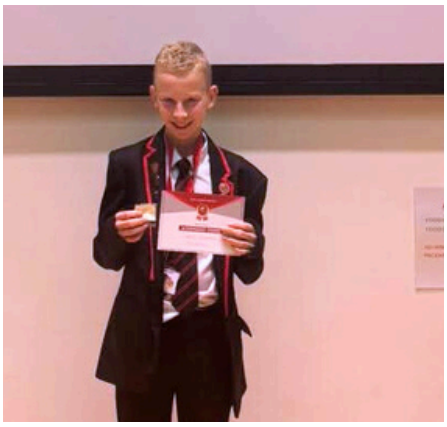
Y10 Celebration Assembly

It was Y10's turn to have their end of term celebration assembly.

Well done to all the subject heroes, the achievement point badge winner and Mr Palmer's SLO award winner.



10p Tuesdays

As part of our House Team fundraising efforts our House captains will be outside school every Tuesday morning with charity buckets to raise money for Barnsley Hospice. If 25% of our school members donate just 10p every Tuesday (£3.30 for the year) we will raise over £740 for this incredible charity.

BARNSLEY HOSPICE

Y11 GCSE Support

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I am so proud of the fantastic start to Y11 our students have made. Embracing The Climb additional study challenges, working hard in lessons and building strong revision habits.

A reminder that if you would like your child to access a space to complete homework or revision the Y11 Silent Study area in the cafeteria is available 8.00-8.25am every morning. I will be there to offer support and guidance around revision and preparing for exams too.

As part of our drive to help the children achieve their best we are working on how we can keep you as parents/carers more regularly informed on their progress. Alongside the usual methods of praise and rewards through phone calls, postcards and celebration assemblies we want to let you know where your child may not be getting it right as well. This is through our Weekly Window to Learning emails. Curriculum Leaders inform me of students in their subject areas who need to develop in terms of homework, investment in learning or quality of work produced in lesson, I use this to send you an email to inform you of this and which subject it applies to. As always if you would like to discuss in more detail please use the Contact Us email and either myself or the subject teacher will be happy to talk to you in more detail.

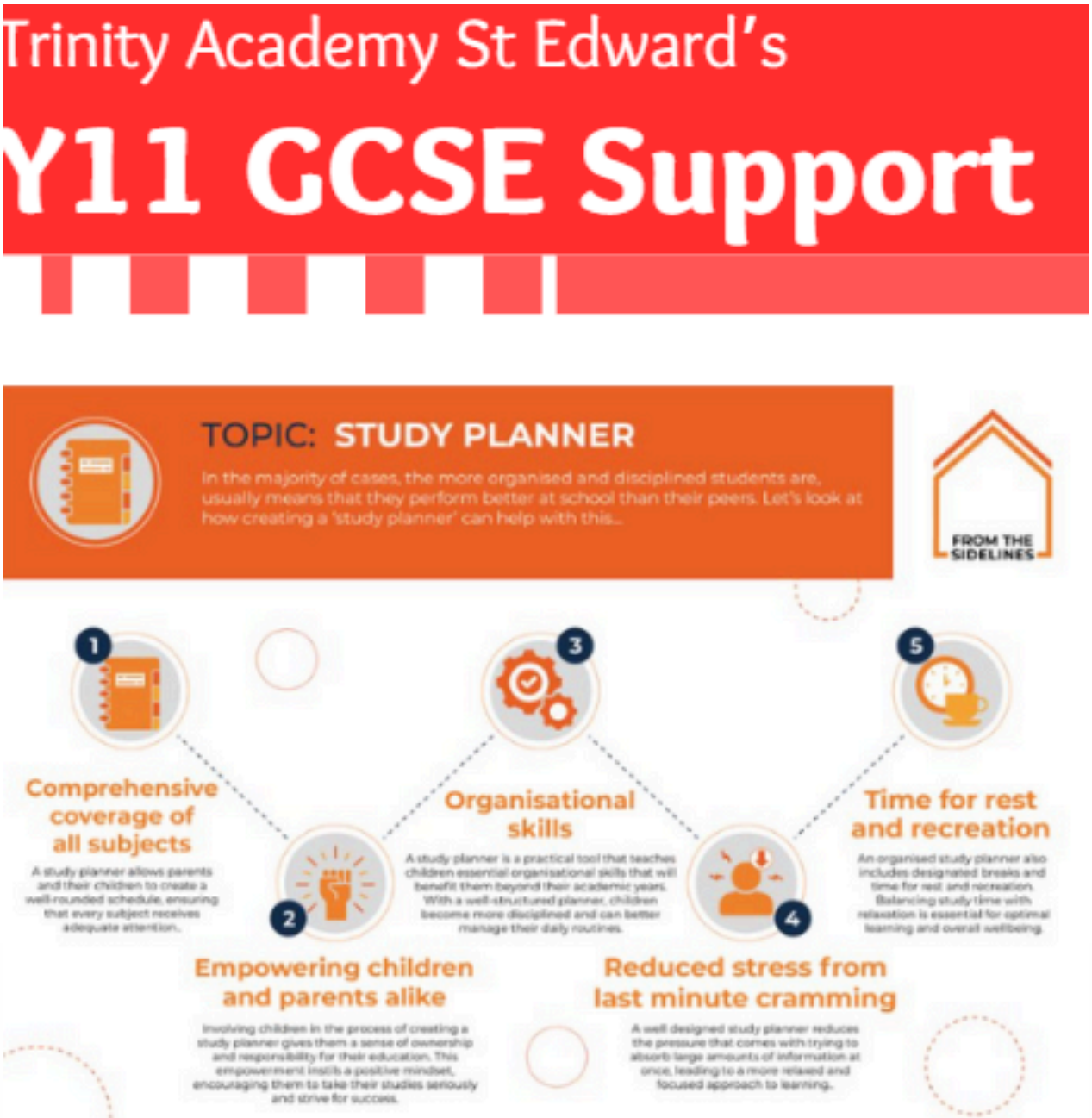
In assemblies I discussed the importance of building a study planner or revision timetable as well as the importance of sleep, I have attached this information for you below.

I hope that you and your families have a restful break and thank you for all the support you give.

Mrs Vallance
Lead Teacher (KS4 Quality of Education)

Weekly Window to Learning

Y11 GCSE Support



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A Level Masterclass - Barnsley Sixth Form College

Barnsley Sixth Form College are inviting students in Y10 and Y11 at TASE to attend a taster session in one A Level subject on Tuesday 4th November.

Venue: Barnsley College Sixth Form Centre

Time: 4.30pm-5.30pm (Arriving at 4.15pm)

To book a place, please click on the link or the QR code below and complete the form. Further details will then be sent to you.

https://forms.office.com/e/dsT66aTyzU

Fire station - Parent parking

This afternoon we have been contacted by the fire station next door to the school who have informed us that some parents/carers are using the fire station to drop off/pick-up students.

Can we ask that parents do not under any circumstance use the fire station for collecting students. The fire department require constant access and any parents using the site to drop off/collect their children are putting others at risk.

Thank you for your understanding.

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Careers event

In the past couple of years our students have attended the "We Care into the Future" event during term time.

This year the event is running during the first week of our half term and so the "We Care into the Future" events team would like to extend an invitation to our students and parents to attend the general public session from 2pm - 3.30pm on Wednesday 22nd October.

There is no need to register or book in for this event, you are welcome to just drop in.

Entry to the event is via the Arena entrance at the back of the Metrodome.

Local offer live Autumn term event

Barnsley Council are holding their Local Offer Live Autumn Term event for SEND students currently in Year 10 and 11, on Thursday 23rd October at the Barnsley Metrodome. The event is open to the public from 10am to 6pm. The event is taking place during the October holiday, meaning parents will need to attend the event with their child should they wish to attend.

The event includes information about post 16 and next steps:

- Apprenticeships
- Employment
- Supported employment
- Supported internships
- Inclusive employers
- Local college
- How universities can support you.

To confirm your attendance at the event please email **SENDLocalOffer@barnsley.gov.uk**

Exciting football opportunity this October half term

At Trinity Academy St Edward's, we are always looking for ways to enrich the experiences of our students both inside and outside the classroom.

We are delighted to be working in partnership with Yorkshire Regional Talent Centre, a professional football academy, to host an October Half Term Football Camp right here at our school.

The camp is open to children from the age ranges U7s to U12s and will run across Wednesday 29th, Thursday 30th, and Friday 31st October.

Sessions take place from 9.30am to 3.15pm each day offering children the chance to learn new skills, develop their game, and most importantly – have fun!

With expert coaching from qualified staff, this camp is suitable for all ability levels, whether your child is taking their first steps in football or already plays for a team.

- Cost: £20 per day
- Venue: Trinity Academy St Edward's, Barnsley (S70 6RS)

This is a brilliant opportunity for our young people to stay active, build confidence, and engage in high-quality coaching in a safe and welcoming environment.

Parents can register their child easily online via: October Half Term Football Camp 2025

We're proud to bring this opportunity to our community and look forward to welcoming many of our students to what promises to be an exciting and enjoyable camp.

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Exam Invigilators Wanted

Support our exam season and join our invigilator team at TASE. Our students need a fair and calm environment to do their best. We are seeking the help of committed and trustworthy individuals to make it happen. No experience is necessary as full training and a supportive team await you. Join our team and be the backbone of our examination process.

If you would like to be part of the team that ensures a fair environment for our students please email contactus@stedwards.trinitymat.org

Dates for the Diary

Monday 20th October - Friday 31st October
Half term (all children are back in school on Monday 3rd November)

Tuesday 4th November
Greenhead College visit (2nd session for Y11 French Honours Programme)

Friday 7th November
UK Parliament trip (small group)

Monday 10th November
Nova Arts trip (Y10 Drama and Music students)

Wednesday 12th November
Parent Leadership Group meeting 5pm to 6pm. If you would like to attend please email contactus@stedwards.trinitymat.org

Thursday 13th November
Y10 Parents' Evening (in-person) 3.30pm - 6.30pm
Please use the link https://tase.schoolcloud.co.uk/ to book appointments

Wednesday 19th November
Careers visit to the Department of Education in Sheffield (Y8)

Thursday 20th November
Y9 and Y10 Trinity Scholars overnight visit to Oxford

Thursday 27th November
STEM Drop Down Day

Friday 28th November
INSET Day

Term dates can be found here