

TRINITY ACADEMY ST EDWARD'S UPDATE



17th April 2026



PRINCIPAL'S UPDATE

Welcome back to term 5 and I hope everyone had a lovely Easter break.

We've started as always with Masters of Recall celebration assemblies, and it has been brilliant to see such high average scores; all year groups are above 80%. It was a pleasure to be part of awarding so many badge winners. We celebrated with Y11 on Monday in their final Climb assembly and awarded more free Prom tickets and £50 donations for prom dress/suit purchases from parents and local businesses. Y11 have done such an amazing job and we're full steam ahead to their final exams. I have written to all Y11 parents this week to highlight what is happening in the exam period and all the further support on offer.

We've already had the GCSE PE moderation day this week, where the external moderators were so impressed and next week we have French speaking exams. Y10 start their mock fortnight on Monday and Y9 have been doing their assessments this week. We'll soon be organising a Y10 Parents' Evening to introduce and explain the offer for your child as they progress through to Y11. It is so great to see so many children working hard and determined to succeed.

The School Council have written a letter to all parents this week about parking as they wanted to express how they felt through discussions they have had with their peers. It is attached to this newsletter.

We said 'bon voyage' to a group of students who are spending a few days in Switzerland this week and visiting CERN and learning about the Hadron Collider, a fabulous experience for them all. We have trips upcoming to Barcelona, Paris and the Y7 residential in a busy half term. We look forward to speaking to Y7 parents at the Y7 Parents' Evening on Monday via School Cloud.

Could I remind parents to regularly check your child's dinner account. There are several accounts that are in debt and we cannot keep allowing student accounts to run up a debt. Please check accounts weekly and top up when needed.

Thank you for your support.

Have a lovely weekend.

Worship theme of the week – Earth Day (22nd April)

Worship word of the week – Stewardship

Core value of the week – Responsibility

Biblical reference of the week – Ps 24:1

British Value – Individual liberty

Prom Poms – Calling all Wool Donations

As part of this year's Involve programme, Miss Reynolds-Browne is leading a creative project called Prom-Pom! Students will be crafting colourful wool pom-poms to create handmade items, which will create decorations for the Yr11 Prom.

To make this possible, we are kindly asking for donations of any spare balls of wool you may have at home.

All colours and types are welcome! If you are able to contribute, please bring your wool donations to Miss Reynolds-Browne in Room 213.

Thank you so much for your support – every bit helps!



Celebration Assemblies

We held our Y7, Y8 and Y9 Masters of Recall celebration assemblies this week. So many successes again. Well done to our Top 20 and all of our bronze, silver and gold badge winners for 100% subject scores.

A special well done to Eve, Matthew, Lucas, Philip and George in Y9 for achieving their Platinum Award!



Y11 Climb Assembly

We also had a wonderful final Climb celebration assembly with Y11. They've worked hard in their study journals and completing all their tasks. Lots of free prom tickets, £50 donations to prom dress/suit hire and other awards were given out and then everyone had a celebratory treat!



Y7 Parents' Evening

The Y7 Parents' Evening will be taking place on-line on Monday 20th April. To book appointments please follow the link below.

[Parent booking system](#)

If you have any problems accessing the booking system please get in touch contactus@stedwards.trinitymat.org

TASE choir

Choir rehearsals are held every Monday 2.45pm-3.45pm in G01 for any children in Y7 - Y10 who are interested in taking part.

The choir is guided by Ms Bennett, a member of team TASE who is also heavily involved with Barnsley Youth Choir and all the children who participate will have the chance to take part in performances throughout the year, as well as having fun and developing their skills. All types of music will be covered in the sessions and if your child is interested in getting involved they just need to come along on Monday and join in.

Immunisation Service

The staff at Barnsley School Aged Immunisation Service (Barnsley SAIS) will be working after school from The Jenner Suite, should anyone wish to attend that requires their vaccinations. Individualised and later appointments can also be arranged. Please scan the QR code below if you would like to check the vaccination schedule to see if your child has missed any, or contact the team to check.

NHS Vaccination Schedule



The Jenner Suite is located at the Oaks Park Primary Care Centre, Thornton Road, Kendray, S70 3NE (The Jenner Suite is at the left of the building)

Please contact the team for further information on 01226 644233 or barnsleysais@swyt.nhs.uk

Police Cadet Scheme

The police cadet scheme is now open for applications from pupils in Y10 and Y11.

The South Yorkshire volunteer police cadets represent the force at community events and participate in a variety of activities and formal training, as well as learning about various roles within the police.

Please see the below timeline of the next cadets recruitment window:

- Recruitment closes - Sunday 26th April 2026
- Interviews - Wednesday evenings during June 2026
- Induction and First Aid training - July and August 2026
- Cadet programme begins - Wednesday 9 September 2026

Please follow the link below for more information and to find the application form.

[SouthYorkshirePolice - volunteer-cadets](#)



Engineering Experience Virtual Course

Please see the flyer overleaf for more information about an SC Johnson funded Engineering Experience virtual course which is taking place 25th-28th August 2026.

This experience is open to students in Y8 and Y9. During the 4 half day sessions, students undertake hands-on challenges in the exciting worlds of Cyber Security, Electrical Engineering and Space. They will develop teamwork, problem-solving and critical thinking skills and discover STEM careers that could take them around the world. This experience will help them explore the many career pathways that STEM has to offer.

As a charity, they are committed to making their programmes accessible to everyone and offer a number of fully funded places. Spaces are limited and they encourage students to apply as soon as possible if they are interested.

Join us for our ENGINEERING EXPERIENCE

Dive into the fascinating world of engineering with this four, half-day, virtual course. Open to students in yr 8/9 who want to engage in exciting and innovative hands-on activities.

- **Cyber Security:** experience the intriguing world of cyber defence. Learn to identify threats and develop coding skills using professional coding programmes.
- **Electrical Engineering:** explore automotive aerodynamics and energy storage whilst designing and building a high-performance supercharged rover.
- **Space:** Blast into space and tackle astronaut-style challenges, learning how communication and teamwork make missions possible.

Virtual Course

25-28 August 2026

Cost: £150 (or apply for a **Fully Funded Place!**)

How to apply

Scan here...



"3 words that sum up this course for me are inspiring, enlightening and creative. I've really enjoyed it!"
2025 student



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**Nb: if attended an Engineering Experience course before, some modules may already have been completed. If you are unsure, please contact info@smallpeicetrust.org.uk*



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Dates for the Diary

Thursday 16th April - Sunday 19th April

Geneva Residential (Y9 & Y10)

w/c 20th April and w/c 27th April

Y10 Mock exams

Monday 20th April (3.30-6.30pm)

Y7 Parents' Evening on-line. To book appointments please follow the link below
[Parent booking system](#)

Thursday 23rd April

Next Gen Leaders visit to Barnsley Fire Station

Thursday 30th April

Y9 Theatre trip to see 'Blood Brothers' at Bradford Alhambra

Friday 1st May

Learn with the Lords online session - Y8 Trinity Scholars (in school)

Monday 4th May

Bank Holiday

Sunday 10th May - Wednesday 13th May 2026

Y7 Residential at Dearne Valley.

Students must arrive at school by 2pm on Sunday 10th May.

Wednesday 20th May

Student Communion Services

Thursday 21st May

KS3 Masters of Recall

Thursday 21st May (late evening) - Tuesday 26th May

Y8 Residential trip to Paris

Monday 25th May - Friday 29th May

Half term holiday

Wednesday 27th May - Saturday 30th May

Y10 Residential to Krakow

Dates for the Diary

Wednesday 3rd June

Parent Leadership Group meeting (5pm to 6pm). Please email contactus@stedwards.trinitymat.org if you would like to attend.

w/c 8th June

Y7 & Y8 Assessment week

Monday 15th June

Y10 trip to Skill Street at Gulliver's Valley in Rotherham

Tuesday 23rd June

Y8 and Y9 Trinity Scholars visit to Think Forensic in Huddersfield

Wednesday 24th June

Inset Day

Thursday 25th June

Y11 Prom celebration

Thursday 2nd July - Monday 6th July

Y8 Turing Residential Trip to Barcelona

Tuesday 7th July

Student Communion Services in school

Friday 10th - Saturday 11th July

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Monday 13th July

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Tuesday 23rd July

Last day of term

Term dates can be found [here](#)