Message from the Head

By David Lucas

PAFT QUIZ NIGHT
TRINITY SECONDARY
SCHOOL
FRIDAY 10TH NOVEMBER at 18H00
ALL WELCOME

Dear parents/Carers

Last week marked the beginning of the end of the transition phase with our 'settling-in evening'. Year 7 parents came in and had an opportunity to speak with tutors and find out how they have been doing since the leap to secondary. Parents found it beneficial and enjoyed the informality of the evening. Thank you to everyone who came along and to all the staff involved.

This half term has flown by. There has been a huge amount of celebration at Trinity, with a lot more to come as we move into the final half of the Michaelmas term. Our year 11 of 2016-17 return to us on the evening of 21st November at 6pm. This is our opportunity to continue our celebrations as we issue their formal certificates and check on their onward journey. This week saw the last of our open mornings welcoming a large number of prospective parents and year 6 pupils into school. We took great pride in touring parents around the school to see it during a normal school day. As an over-subscribed school we expect demand for places to be high. We have a record number of supplementary forms already handed into the school office. Prospective parents have until 31 October 2017 to return their application forms and our supplementary forms.

Yesterday we had our Harvest festival Eucharist. We were delighted to be joined by Bishop

I wish to thank you all for your continued support as we have risen the bar on numerous occasions this half term. This will continue throughout the year, as we strive to enhance and further develop the learning across the school. Year 10 assessment week (PPE) is on 27/11/17 and year 11 Pre-Public Examinations (PPE) will be during the week beginning 04/12/17. Year 7-9 have assessment week starting on Monday 4th December. It is crucial that all pupils take these seriously, and revise / prepare for the exam. It is no surprise that those who practice and develop memory skills are those who succeed the most. Success in exams does not come about by chance, and the bar has been risen by the government with the new more difficult GCSE exams.

In the last edition of the newsletter I informed you about our admissions consultation. This is on our website – please do visit this area and send us any feedback you may have. Finally, I wish to ask parents their views on our 2 week timetable.

We are collecting the ideas / thoughts from all stakeholders regarding our two week half term. Many parents have already spoken to me about this and the views are varied. We are currently asking the view of pupils, staff as well as all parents. The information given to us will be considered when we are pulling together the calendar for next year. If you wish to give us your ideas please do email admin@trinity.lewisham.sch.uk.

Once again thank you for your continued support. Your son/daughter has been given work to complete during the half term, so please encourage them to complete this in as much depth as possible. Have a relaxing half term.



David Lucas
Executive Headteacher – Trinity All Through School

TRINITY ALL THROUGH SCHOOL

HALF TERM

23rd October to 3rd November

SCHOOL REOPENS ON

Monday 6th November 2017



'Defib' Team

Staff and pupils trained on our new defibrillator machine. See more information on Page 6

YEAR 10
We need your help!

Math's Ambassador Applications
Are now open!

- Interview Practice
- Leadership & Mentoring training
- Enhance your CV
- Improve your skills in maths

Apply via your Maths teacher!

DEADLINE

Monday 6th November 2017

GCSE Music & Rockschool Certificate in Music Technology

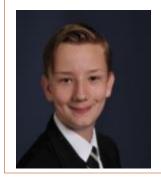
The Year 10's and Year 11's who have chosen to take one of our music qualifications have all been working extremely hard and their efforts are paying off.

This is particularly evident with our Year 11's who are all working hard both in lessons as well as coming to additional period 7 sessions in order to improve and complete their coursework aspects of the course to the highest possible standard. Keep up the hard work, Year 11 and I am sure we will see top marks across the board in these practical aspects.

The year 11 GCSE class are on their sixth set work of eight, the main title music from 'Star Wars: A New Hope' as well as working hard on all four of their pieces of coursework: solo and ensemble performances and two compositions







While the Year 11 Rockschool class have been learning about 'Live Sound Recording' and completing practical workshops in order to practically explore and demonstrate their understanding of how to be sound engineers whilst also completing their sequencing and production coursework.

Special mention must go to **Ebeneezer Hesse** and **Ricky Brent** whose hard work has resulted in them completing their coursework first as well as demonstrating outstanding commitment to their learning by voluntarily staying after school to explore the effects of EQ on live sound through a mixing desk, enabling them to demonstrate Distinction standard understanding.

Chaplain's Corner



Bv Rev. Juliet Donnelly



A huge well done for Mrs Lewis and all of 8 ALE for their amazing effort.

Their food
harvest box was
judged by Bishop
Karowei to be
the best Food
Harvest box.

Each of you must give as you have made up your mind, not reluctantly or under compulsion, for God lives a cheerful giver. 2 Corinthians 9: 7

Harvest is a time to say thank you and to remember our many blessings and to share these with others. It was a pleasure to welcome Bishop Karowei, Bishop of Woolwich to celebrate our Harvest Festival Eucharist on Thursday and to hear his message for us that we are all beautiful and made in the image of God. The harvest collection for the St Swithun's community food project was wonderful - thank you for your incredible generosity.

Creator God, you made the goodness of the land, the riches of the sea and the rhythm of the

as we thank you for the harvest, may we cherish and respect this planet and its peoples,

Amen



Instrumental
lessons have taken
off at Trinity with
nearly 15% of the
school learning one
of the 17
instruments on
offer from one of
the 10 private
tutors.



Music @ Trinity

By Ruth Lowe - Head of Music

With the new year well underway, so are the plethora of musical activities that Trinity offer.

The third floor is constantly filled with a multitude of sounds and styles of music. If you are interested in your child learning an instrument, the next session of lessons begins in January and application forms can be found on the school website.

All those pupils who are taking lessons, along with those who have experience of playing an instrument outside of Trinity, have been invited to join one of the many music clubs we have. New members are always welcome, so take a look at what we have to offer.

Times	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
Before School 08hoo To 08h3o	Band /Room Booking slots available	Band /Room Booking slots available	Band /Room Booking slots available	Band /Room Booking slots available	Band /Room Booking slots available
Lunchtime 12h45 to 13h15	Choir (Everyone welcome) Third Floor, Music Room 1 (TM1) with Mrs Lowe	-	-	Woodwind Ensemble Third Floor, Music Room 1 (TM1) with Mrs Lowe	String Ensemble in TM1 with Mrs Lowe Band/Room Booking slots available
After School 15hoo to 16h15	Period 7 GCSE Support TM1 with Mrs Lowe Band/Room Booking slots available	Trinity Concert Band TM1 with Mrs Lowe Band/Room Booking slots available		Year 10 GCSE Music 15hoo – 17hoo In TM1 with Mrs Lowe Band/Room Booking Slots available	

Year 7: This term, in Music, Year 7 have been learning to read music in order to be able to learn to play pieces on the keyboard. Those with previous experience have been stretched and challenged with alternative pieces for two hands in order to improve their piano skills and notation reading.

All the Year 7's have been showing fantastic independent learning, resilience and progress in their learning and I look forward to witnessing these budding musicians continue to blossom after half term.

I have also had the pleasure of starting my week every Monday with the Year 7 singing assembly where the whole year has been singing in harmony together to learn pieces to perform at the whole school Eucharist. I have been extremely proud of their effort in this and the beautiful sound that they produce as an ensemble. I hope you will be able to join us at the Advent Carol Service at the end of November to hear them for yourselves.

UPCOMING EVENTS

10TH NOVEMBER – FRIDAY

QUIZ NIGHT - 18H00

AT TRINITY SECONDARY

TAUNTON ROAD

ALL WELCOME

Come alone and join a team or bring your own team.

Refreshments / Drinks
Winner's prize

28th NOVEMBER – TUESDAY

ADVENT CAROL SERVICE

ST SWITHUN'S CHURCH

18H00

Please come along for an enjoyable service

21ST NOVEMBER - TUESDAY

GCSE PRIZE GIVING EVENING

Trinity Secondary School 19hoo – 20h30

More information to follow

YEAR 9
PARENTS EVENING

THURSDAY 30TH NOVEMBER 18H00 – 20H00

YEAR 9 & YEAR 10

SCHOOL PHOTOGRAPHS

Will be taken in the morning

Full uniform please

MUSIC IN THE HOLIDAYS

There are two holiday courses that Lewisham Music are running at half term at Sydenham School, Dartmouth Road, SE₂6 4RD on 24th & 25th October 10am -3:30pm

Lewisham Junior Orchestra

Applications are welcome from children who play strings, woodwind, brass and percussion (tuned and un-tuned percussion and keyboards) to Grade 1 standard or above.

Years 5 - 8 inclusive

Rock and Pop School

Applications are welcome from singers, guitarists, bass guitarists and keyboard players of all levels/abilities. Please note, there are limited places available for kit drummers and they will need to play to Grade 1 standard or above.

Years 5 - 11 inclusive

Applications.

https://www.lewishammusic. org/learn-with-us/holidaycourses/





DEFIBRILLATOR TRAINED

Staff & Pupils of Trinity with First Aid trainer Ben Lister





Layla Tennent, Year 10 pupil at Trinity demonstrating how to do CPR and use the defibrillator



Head of PE, Ms
Beth Dunne and
Receptionist Mrs
Suzanne Johnson
practicing with the
defribrillator on the
obliging 'dummy'
called Henry

Meet the 'Defib' team

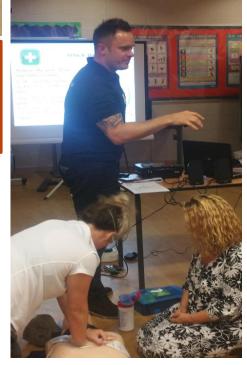
Trinity recently received a generous donation of a defibrillator machine from Kevin and Barry of the Firefighting Foundation.

Ben Lister of Blue Light First Aid (and also a member of the Firefighters) then arranged to train some of our staff on how to use the defibrillator.

After a training session with Ben and this 'State of the Art' machine (plus a couple of dummies) it soon transpired that anyone, even a nonfirst aider, could easily use the machine in an emergency.

It was then agreed by our Chair of Governors, Bridget Prentice that such a wonderful gift should be shared with the community.

The defibrillator machine is currently installed in the reception area of Trinity All Through school until it can be moved into a secure unit outside the school, affording the community easy access to the defibrillator in an emergency.





As part of their Geography GCSE pupils complete 2 fieldwork exercises - whilst not as exciting as measuring the River Darent with an orange and a ruler in the summer term, the urban fieldwork task challenges pupils to look at the variations in quality of life in the local area around the school. Pupils collected data on house prices and shops & services in the area ("I had never noticed there were so many posh restaurants in Blackheath till I counted them!") and after completing their written report will then be able to answer fieldwork exam questions at the end of year 11.





Several members of the public who had completed questionnaires for pupils contacted the school afterwards commending us on the "polite, eloquent and well behaved nature of our pupils – they were a credit to the school". One member of the public said it was "a real pleasure talking to them". A huge well done to Year 11 Geographers for their efforts, get cracking on the write-up over half-term, we look forward to seeing it!



SPECIAL THANKS

Student Leadership

Awesome work last week from the year 9, 10 and 11 pupils who volunteered at the primary school parents evenings.

Outstanding trinity etiquette from:

9GR: Chante, Mia, Jahdiel, Tisean, Patricia, Lovely, Beyonce

9.1: Aliyah, Dorcas, Fran 10: Lemuela, Noel, Lola 11: Lily, Oliver, Shay,

Special thanks to <u>Janielle</u>, Nicolas, Vera-Vanessa, <u>Zinnat</u>, Fran, <u>Chelayne</u> who volunteered on both evenings.



SPECIAL THANKS TO
THE ADMIN
SUPPORT TEAM FOR
PREPARING A
WONDERFUL
SPREAD FOR THE
YEAR 7 'MEET THE
FAMILY GROUP
TUTORS' EVENING

Held on 12TH October 2017

Information

TERM DATES

2017 - 2018

Tuesday 5th September - Friday 20th October

Half Term Monday 23rd October - Friday 3rd November

Monday 6th November - Wednesday 20th December

Christmas Break

Thursday 21st December - Monday 1st January

Lent (Spring) Term 2018

Tuesday 2nd January – Friday 9th February

Half Term Monday 12th February – Friday 16th February

Monday 19th February – Thursday 29th March

Easter break Friday 30th March - Friday 13th April

Summer (Trinity) Term 2018

Monday16th April – Friday 25th May (May Day will be taken on 7th May)

Half Term Monday 28th May - Friday 1st June

Monday 4th June - Friday 20th July

Public Holidays

Christmas Day Mon 25th December 2017

Boxing Day Tues 26th December 2017

New Year's Day Monday 1st January 2017

Good Friday Friday 30th March 2018

Easter Monday Monday 2nd April 2018

May Day Monday 7th May 2018

Spring Holiday Monday Monday 28th May 2018

Summer Holiday Monday Monday 27th August 2018

ATTENDANCE PERCENTAGES

Attendance	
Percentage	
97.8%	
95.5%	
95.9%	
98.5%	
97.2%	
98%	
97%	
96.4%	
94.4%	
99.3%	

LEWISHAM - Our schools

- 67 primary schools
- 14 secondary schools (4 all through schools)
- 4 academies(3)/free school (1)
- 5 special schools
- 2 maintained nursery schools
- 1 PRU
- · 7 Federations
- 4 Teaching School Alliances



- 8 of our schools are situated in the most deprived areas in London
- 10 of our schools have new leaders this year
- 99% of primary schools are Ofsted graded good or better
- 27 schools are likely to be inspected in the next 12 months

HARVEST EUCHARIST AT TRINITY



HARVEST EUCHARIST

AT

TRINITY

WITH BISHOP KAROWEI of Woolwich

&

REV. JULIET DONNELLY





