

be held, starting at 7.30 p.m. in the Drama Hall. You will receive more detailed information in a separate letter nearer the time, but please make a note of the following; **Y11** – Monday, 11th September, **Y10** – Tuesday, 19th September, **Y9** – Wednesday, 27th September, **Y8** – Thursday, 5th October and **Y7** – Monday, 16th October.

The Trinity Association (of parents) is hosting two “welcome” evenings for Y7 parents, again starting at 7.30 p.m. in the Drama Hall. Tuesday, 26th and Thursday 28th September. You will be made most welcome, and we look forward to meeting you.

### **Freshers Fair**

We are planning to make a number of changes this year. It will now be held on the afternoon of Friday, 22nd September, not the evening of Friday, 15th September. This will give our Y7s more time to sample all lessons and to consider which clubs and activities they would like to sign up for. Parents will be very welcome during the afternoon; to meet up with their children and provide measured and considered advice to them. If you need to book time off work, the event will run from 2.20 – 3.00 p.m. approximately. Years 8, 9, 10 and 11 will finish school that afternoon at 2.05 p.m. approximately.

### **And Finally...**

One of summer’s sporting sensations was the England spin bowler, Monty Panesar. In a recent newspaper interview he answered a number of questions, one of which asked “Why a life in sport, and if not what would you have done?” He replied;

“Cricket has always been a part of me. I was training and playing matches constantly from a young age and a lot of my time has been given over to the game. My parents always told me if I did my homework, they were happy for me to play cricket. My parents instilled in me that my education had to be important, because it creates good habits in your life. If I had to think of another career, it would probably be in science, because I did maths, physics and chemistry for A level.”

What a sensible young man, and what sound advice from his parents.

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### **SCHOOL AIM**

**“ To provide a Christian environment in which young people are safe, secure, cared for and happy, and are able to develop into articulate, confident and well qualified citizens of the world.”**

### **Now Summer’s Over**

...we welcome everyone back to Trinity. In particular, our 250 Y7s who look immaculate in their brand new uniform. We hope everyone has a happy and successful year at Manchester’s top school.

### **A Very Warm Welcome...**

...to all the new staff who have joined us this week; Ms Ainscough – Teaching Assistant, Mr Barnes – Technology, Mr Cowling – Electronic / Science Technician, Mr Horner – History, Ms Hughes – Technology, Mr Johnson – Head of Science, Mr Kelso – Maths, Mr Kennedy – Music (temporary), Mrs Regan – Art / Food Technician, Mr Lynch – Teaching Assistant, Ms McBride – Technology, Ms McGrath – English, Mrs Rongong – German, Miss Gray – Teaching Assistant (temporary) and Mr Haley – Site Maintenance.

### **GCSEs 2006**

What a performance by our Y11s! In the recent round of results, 80% of our students gained the “gold standard” of 5+ A\* - C grades, improving on last years Trinity all time high of 79%. Congratulations to everyone who achieved success.

The certificates and subject prizes will be presented by our local MP, Mr Tony Lloyd, at the University of Manchester’s Whitworth Hall on Friday, November 17<sup>th</sup>, starting at 7.30 p.m.

We are hoping that every Y11 student and their families will be able to attend. Each student will receive their personal invitation from me during the next few weeks.

### **Sports Day**

In scorching heat, everyone had a marvellous day out at the City of Manchester Stadium. Thanks to all the staff who acted as officials and, most notably, Ms Derbyshire for her fantastic organisational skills.

Many records were broken and the results, according to Year and Form, are as follows;

### Year 7

1st	2nd	3rd	4th	5th	6th	7th	8th
NY	HA	AL	IW	GY	LA	RS	CA
119	115	112	106	105	104	101	97

### Year 8

BN	WL	LX	SE	RO	RI	KI	HU
134	129	123	108	101	98	89	71

### Year 9

TY	HY	WR	ON	DE	GL	WS	LS
169	116	113	112	108	108	97	87

### Year 10

PR	DN	CL	JI	FR	GR	VE	MD
116	113	112	98	93	92	92	88

Next year we are planning to include Y11 so that it truly can be a whole school sports occasion.

### It's TIGER – by a whisker!

In perhaps the closest finish ever, Tiger House won the “House Merit Competition” by the narrowest of margins, beating Springbok by only one point.

The results were announced to a packed audience during the final school assembly on the last day of the summer term.

It can't be as dramatic next year...can it?

Results in full;	Maple	Tiger	Springbok	Wallaby
Attendance	153	155	171	141
Punctuality	149	162	162	148
Interform Football	41	39	38	38
Interform Netball	24	42	32	33
Interform Hockey	21	20	33	23
Interform Basketball	27	32	36	22
Interform Fitness Circ	33	39	41	44
Interform Cricket	15	22	28	10
Interform Rounders	24	34	26	16
Swimming Gala	28	33	36	39
Participation	69	61	68	68

Merits	206	184	152	200
Interform Competitions	39	46	44	25
World Cup Presentations	30	25	20	15
Sports Day	90	90	96	103
Totals	949	984	983	925

### The Pupil Perspective

Read below the winning entry for the Y7 competition describing impressions of the Expressive Arts Week. The winner...David Wilkinson (now in Y8).

“I've had a very interesting week. Different, but interesting. It was exciting to try new things. My favourite time was watching the magician and the circus man do some spectacular things. I've learned more this week than in any other week of school so far. I've seen some amazing tricks, only to learn that it wasn't really that clever, just a flick of a hand and a swift movement. I was in awe. I also liked the trips, finding them fun and informative. I got on well with people on the whole and feel a lot more confident. I have made new friends in other forms and had a good time.

The funniest thing this week was probably Mrs Sills' amazing plate spinning, and the most boring thing was waiting during coach journeys.

Overall, I've liked this week, and I'm ready for the next. But first I need a rest. The summer holidays should be long enough.”

### What a Star!

Past Trinity student David Ononokpono has been awarded a Laurence Olivier scholarship at RADA, a fantastic achievement. David, who was in competition with thousands of other students, was a very talented dramatist at school and took the lead in the school production of Macbeth.

### On the T.V.

Before the holidays, Trinity was the setting for filming of a BBC programme. An extract from a letter of thanks from the Location Manager reads as follows;

“We are writing to say thank you for all the help that you have given to us with the making of ‘Innocence’. Filming is coming to an end, however we do not have an exact transmission date yet. The show will be part of the BBC's New Autumn Schedule, which will start from September 2006 and will be well advertised so do keep a look out. We hope you enjoy the programme and found the filming an enjoyable experience.”

### Forthcoming Events

We believe that the only way to achieve success is for staff, students and parents to work together. In order to make this possible a number of scene setting meetings will