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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.”

Young Apprenticeships

Congratulations to our Young Apprentices David Orndal, Aaron Wallace-Hartley, Ben Britten and Farrell Duncan who have successfully completed an NVQ level 2 in Performing Engineering Operations. Most engineering students do not complete this course until they are eighteen years old. During Years 10 and 11, the students attended MANCAT for one day a week and a work placement for another day. The course was overseen and assessed by Skills Solutions. Trinity is very proud to be part of this pilot Young Apprenticeship Programme and would like to thank Skills Solutions, MANCAT Engineering Department, Siemens and Greggs for their commitment and support of our students.

This year we are very pleased that five of our Year 10 students have been accepted onto the Young Apprenticeship Engineering Programme and three students on the Business Administration Programme. There are only 15 places available for each programme throughout Manchester, so this is a great achievement for us.

For the programmes to run successfully, students need to be accepted on a work placement. We would be delighted to hear from anyone who would be able to accept a student on a weekly placement and mentor them through the programme. Please contact Mrs Salt at Trinity for further information.

Work Related Learning

A number of our Year 11s completed vocational courses this year. Some completed a City and Guilds Building Craft course and attended the East Manchester Vocational Centre and some completed NVQ level 1 Motor Vehicle units. Certificates will also be awarded for Child Development. All students studied for these qualifications at colleges and training providers throughout the city. Some of our current Year 11s are following a similar programme.

Our work related programme has been extended this year with more students choosing to take this option. We have students taking qualifications which will enable them to work in sport and leisure, hair and beauty, motor vehicle and construction. We are working with the East Manchester Vocational Centre, Skills Solutions and MANCAT to deliver a range of qualifications.

One Year 11 student, Mohammed Zubair, deserves a special mention. He has worked exceptionally hard during Year 10 and his work placement at TRIM (a timber recycling company) has given him excellent reports. Well done Mohammed!

Football Success

The start of the school football season has been an outstanding success. This year will see the start of a Manchester Boys' High School League which we are proud to have founded. Teams will be given the opportunity to play regular matches against schools from across Manchester, with a final for the top two teams being held at Sport City. Trinity is currently sitting towards the top of the league for each year following some excellent results. The league can be found on <http://www.thefa.com/fulltime>.

Year 7 Vs St Thom Aq 7-4 won

Year 7 Vs Barlow 11-2 won

Year 8 Vs St Thom Aq 11-0 won

Year 9 Vs Barlow 3-2 lost

Year 9 Vs St Thom Aq 4-4 draw

Year 11 Vs Barlow 3-0 won

What a Start!

The Year 11 girls' netball team also had a wonderful start to their season. In our annual friendly tournament the girls had victories against Brookway 5-1, Chorlton 7-3 and drew with Whalley range 4-4. Well done!

The team was: Leanna Cameron, Yosha Gilkes, Rachel Campbell, Kehinde Adeyo, Ellen Hingley, Aisha Shettima, Abbey Morton, Sophie Hnederson, Dianna Benjamin, Tracey Esivwose-Evans, Alice Aulich and Feyi Falade.

Further Sporting Success

Matthew Berkeley, who left in 2003, signed professional terms with Gretna this summer and scored his first professional goal on Saturday.

Febian Brandy, who left in 2005, and is on Manchester United's books, played for England U-18s last week.

College Open Occasions

At this time of year the majority of local colleges hold their Open Days/Evenings. This is a golden opportunity for pupils, especially those in Year 11, and parents to spend some time looking around the various colleges to see at first hand the opportunities that are available.

Use the Open Days/Evenings to find out about the courses on offer, facilities, previous year's results, "enrichment" activities and progression into Higher Education

Loreto College:	Sat 7 th Oct, 12.00 - 3.00pm or Sun 15 th Oct, 12.30pm - 4pm	
Xaverian College:	Sat 7 th Oct, 10.30am - 2.00pm or Sun 15 th Oct, 1pm - 4pm	
South Trafford College:	Thur 23 rd Nov, 3.00 - 8.00pm or Tues 6 th Mar, 5.00 - 8.00pm	
Stockport College:	Town Centre Campus	Tues 30 th Oct, 4pm - 8pm
	Heaton Moor Campus	Thur 12 th Oct, 4pm - 8pm
City College:	City Campus	Mon 9 th Oct, 3.30pm - 7pm
	Northenden Campus	Tues 10 th Oct, 3.30pm - 8pm
Cheadle & Marple:	Sat 14 th Oct 10am - 1pm	

The deadline for ALL college application forms is the first week back after the Christmas break. They should be given to Mr Hulbert.

Freshers' Fair 2006

This "bird's eye view" shows just how busy our fair was last week. Thanks to everyone who made the event such a great success.



Healthy Meals

Following on from last week's article about school meals, details about the new "regulations" include the following.

- School lunches must be free from low quality meat products, fizzy drinks, crisps and chocolate or other confectionery.

- High quality meat, poultry or oily fish are available on a regular basis.
- Pupils are served a minimum of two portions of fruit and vegetables with every meal.
- Any deep-fried items are restricted to no more than two portions in a week.

As schools also end the sale of junk food in vending machines there'll be efforts to promote sales of healthy snacks and drinks such as water, milk, fruit juices and yoghurt drinks.

As the cartoon shows, the changes have caused mixed reaction amongst pupils.



And Finally...

Last week's quiz led to three correct answers, the first being a combined Y10 effort from Matthew Gilmour and Andrew Tyler. They correctly gave "daddy longlegs" (crane fly) as the correct answer and won a box of chocolates (healthy ones, of course).

For today's question, read the following extract from this weeks national news.

"Stephen Turner, Managing Director, says his top tip is 'peanut butter, although junk food should also be considered. We find we get decent results from McDonald's burgers because they live on a take-away food diet.' Perhaps the last word should be left to the firm that has been operating since 1897. "We recommend both peanut butter and chocolate," says spokeswoman Sue Harvey, "but in my view you can't do better than a malteser."

Question: What are they describing?