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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.”

Namibia

An e-mail message received from Eino Heelu, Principal of St Mary’s School, Odibo;

“Our School Board has decided to name the newly built science laboratory after your school. It will be called ‘Trinity High School Laboratory’. On 4th November 2006, all the new and renovated buildings are going to be inaugurated and dedicated. It is going to be a big day. The Prime Minister of Namibia will officiate the event.”

What a Surprise

Ms Derbyshire, Head of Physical Education, writes;

“I was invited to visit QCA on 9th October in London, I thought, to continue the PE and School Sport research project that we have already begun relating to Gifted and Talented strategies in the curriculum for PE (ability setting and multi-skills in Year 9). However, the invite proved to be more of an honour than originally thought. We are to be one of seven schools in England who have been asked to write the case studies about our curriculum for inclusion on the QCA website for when the new KS3 curriculum is launched in the next couple of months. The other six schools are mainly Sports Colleges. Case studies are to be written by 31st October, website launch is December – all subjects, not just PE. I have also been asked to be part of a standing group at QCA to review the KS4 curriculum.”

(Editor’s note; this is a tremendous acknowledgement of the work taking place in Trinity’s PE Department. Well done to all the teachers.)

England U-17 Football

The Football Association has informed us that our very own Daniel Welbeck, Y11, has been included in the England U-17 National Squad to play in a UEFA mini tournament between 21-31st October, 2006, in Malmedy, Belgium. Daniel will be involved in games against Spain, Portugal and Belgium. As you will know, Daniel is with MUFC, and the other two United players in the squad are Ben Amos and David Williams. The rest of the squad is made up of players from Arsenal, Chelsea, Leeds, West Ham, Middlesbrough, Leicester, Birmingham and Bristol City. (No-one, I see, from a certain club based at the City of Manchester Stadium.)

Good luck, Daniel!

National Poetry Day

Last Thursday, 5th October, was National Poetry Day. To mark this special event selected poems were distributed throughout the school. Every room in the school had a relevant poem pinned to the door for staff and students to read. For the Food Technology Department we had 'Pizza Pizza', the poem 'Bones' by Gina Douthwaite was particularly popular with the Science department, Mr Gilligan enjoyed 'Sir's a Secret Agent' and Denzil Dennis rapped his poem to students throughout the day! Everybody was included in this event to reinforce the point that poetry is an accessible and fun aspect of English that everyone can enjoy. The following is an extract of a poem called 'A School Creed', which was displayed in the reception area,

'This our school.
Let peace dwell here,
Let rooms be full of contentment,
Let love abide here.'

Taekwondo

Congratulations to Gary Kay, 9SE, who has been selected for the Irish National Taekwondo Team. He will represent the "Cadets" at the Irish Open on 5th November, in Dublin.

Gary will also be "fighting" in Budapest, Hungary, in May and, when he becomes 14, he will be competing for the Junior European and World titles. Well done, Gary!

Planning for Success

Students in Years 7, 8 and 9 have pages allocated to literacy in their Planners (106-114). It would be very beneficial for parents to spend some time with their children studying the pages on regular basis. Many thanks.

Forthcoming Meetings

Monday, 16th October, informal meeting for Y7 parents. Ms Levine writes;

“We are very pleased how the new Year 7s have settled into life at Trinity and we are holding this meeting in the Drama Hall. It will run from 4.00 – 6.00 p.m. and all parents of Year 7 students will have received an invitation. We look forward to meeting you there.”

On Tuesday, 31st October, we have the AGM of the Trinity Association, 7.30 p.m. start. All parents are invited. Refreshments will be provided.

Beyond the School, but in the Community

...three events of note;

- ◆ Hulme Garden Centre would like to invite you to our annual Apple and Pumpkin Fun Day on Sunday, 22nd Oct, 2006. There will be lots of things to do and try as it is also National Apple Day, too. Try our delicious home-made food, apple tasting, pumpkin carving, face painting and much more.

Hulme garden centre is a registered charity and these events are essential to keep them working as they do within the community. They look forward to seeing you on the 22nd and if you need any more information please get in touch.

- ◆ Theatre Open Day for children, young people and families. Saturday, 21st October, 12.00 noon – 5.00 p.m. Admission – free. The Central Library, St Peter's Square, Manchester.

Backstage tours, costumes, props, make-up, fun for all the family. Advance booking essential. 0161 234 1922.

- ◆ ITV's Cheetah TV, an Endemol company, are looking for families to take part in a new fun and exciting wildlife based game show.

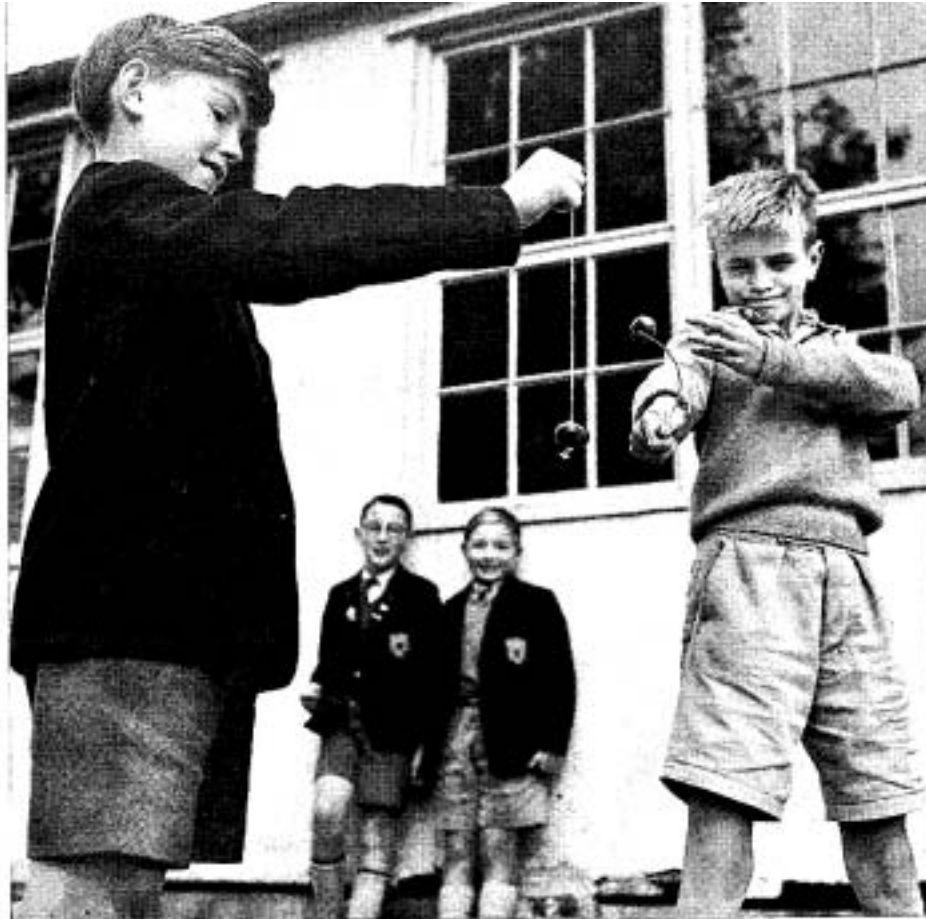
How much do you know about animals?

Would you like to win the holiday of a lifetime?

For further details, and an application form, e-mail wildlifequiz@endemoluk.com or tel: 09011 333 111.

And Finally...

...last weeks newspaper article was about...



Take that: a game of conkers in the school playground in 1955

...the World Conker Championships! The first correct answer, and the winner of the box of chocolates was Dominic Lyons, Y7.

What on earth is this weeks 'news story' about?

“The first printed version sold for a record £2.1 million at Sotheby’s yesterday. The 1477 edition was bought by a London dealer, Bernard Shapero, on behalf of a private collector. The price breaks the previous record of £1,464,000 paid at Sotheby’s last year. It was part of a sale of works from the library of the late Lord Wardington. The auction attracted bidders from around the world.”

First correct answer to Mr Ainsworth wins the customary box of chocolates.