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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.”



## Planning, Organising and Delivering

As part of their examination course, Ms Concannon's Y11 'Society, Health and Development' students put together a team event which they successfully completed with Y7 students. The activity involved a 'Guess the song' competition, with questions and prizes, followed by refreshments. The Y11s were confident and enthusiastic hosts and Y7s displayed an impressive level of musical knowledge. One Y7 student wrote: "Thank you for the great time I had. I loved the competition, the refreshments were nice and I really enjoyed it all. I hope that you can do this again."

## Building Work Progress Report



Occasional visitors to the school and passers-by will probably be unaware of the scale of the work taking place at the back of the school, mainly on the site of the old Temple building. Progress is on schedule and the key completion dates are as follows: 2 March, 2012, New PE changing rooms; 30 March, outside landscaped social areas; Easter, extended and remodelled Student Services; 27 April, modernised Greer block. Demolition of the Ramsey block will then follow.

## The Student Perspective



Fashionably referred to in educational circles as 'The Student Voice', a number of our Y8s, organised by Ms Fishwick, recently met up with

students from other schools to discuss a wide range of topical issues. The occasion provided the opportunity for our boys and girls to put forward their ideas for improving schools. All those involved worked well and were presented with certificates.

## **Live Science Event**

Dr Alnuamaani writes:

“Last Monday thirty of our young scientists in Y10-11 went to the Bridgewater Hall with Mrs Russell and me to the annual ‘Science Live’ event and were entertained by some of the most eminent scientists in their field. Professor Steve Jones discussed the world of DNA and the ‘nature v nurture’ debate, Dr Maggie Aderin-Pocock, MBE, from the BBC’s ‘Do we really need the moon?’ inspired us with amazing images of the universe, Dr Andrea Sella, from CBBC’s ‘Gastronuts’, showed us how zebras get their stripes and finally, Professor Jim Al-Khalili, OBE, another familiar face on the BBC, helped us to understand if time travel is truly possible.



Whatever your interest in science you could not help but be amazed by the truly awe-inspiring research carried out by these scientists.”

## **Sporting Events**

A hectic schedule of late, including Y8 girls taking part in a football tournament at the Cliff Centre, organised by MUFC. The girls, Malieka Coleman, Denique Bogle, Maddy Coogan, Esther Pitt-Scott, Sandra Brobby, Leila Atkins and Cadie Andrews lost only one of their six games.

Our cross country runners competed last Wednesday at Wythenshawe



Park, the girls' team coming first, with a great performance from Niamh Ryan.

Y10 boys recently won a handball tournament, defeating Abraham Moss and Parrswood along the way.

On Monday, our annual swimming gala took place at the Manchester Aquatic Centre. Well done to all participants.

## **Performance League Tables**

Last week, the Department for Education released its Performance League Tables based on the 2011 GCSE examination results. The figures confirmed the continued success of Trinity students, with 69% achieving 5+ A\*-C grades including English and maths at GCSE level. Of the twenty four high schools and academies in Manchester, only William Hulme's Grammar School and King David Academy did better than Trinity.

William Hulme's	89%	Wright Robinson	50%
King David	87%	Manchester Academy	48%
Trinity	69%	St Pauls	48%
The Barlow	69%	Newall Green	47%
St Peters	64%	Our Ladys	47%
Parrswood	63%	Abraham Moss	45%
Levenshulme	57%	Cooperative Academy	44%
Whalley Range	57%	Health Academy	41%
Chorlton	55%	Creative Academy (girls)	37%
St Matthews	54%	Cedar Mount	36%
Loreto	51%	Enterprise Academy	36%
Burnage	50%	Creative Academy (boys)	27%

## **And Finally ...**

School breaks up for half term at the end of Friday, 10 February. Monday, 20 February, is a staff training day and students return to school on Tuesday, 21 February.

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