Trinity High School

DECEMBER NEWSLETTER

A Christmas Message from the Head Teacher

I trust that this message finds you and your family well and looking forward to a happy and peaceful Christmas.

We have achieved so much this term, with teachers and pupils working incredibly hard in each and every lesson. When I visit classrooms, I am always so impressed by the energy and professionalism of our staff and the attitude and enthusiasm of our young people.

I would like to take this opportunity to thank all of those who make Trinity High School such a great school. I thank you our parents and carers who work with our school and continue to support our young people to be the best version of themselves. I thank all of the teaching staff and support staff who continue to give their best to our young people, supporting them in their learner journey. Thank you to our Senior and Middle Leadership Teams who strive to enhance the learning experience of our young people. Thank you to the janitorial, cleaning and catering staff for ensuring that our environments are safe and clean. Our young people, once again, are truly amazing: their response to projects, challenges and their support for fund raising activities within and beyond our community has me in awe! And last but not least, many thanks to Father Paul Annis and Father Stephen Reilly who play such a pivotal role in delivering and developing our spiritual, pastoral and liturgical provision.

Trinity High School is truly Home – School – Church - Stronger Together. I wish you all a Holy Christmas and a peaceful, safe and happy New Year.

Allison Craig
Head Teacher

A Christmas Message from Father Stephen

It's always a nervous time being the new boy in the school! Though the pupils who know that I stared school on my 3rd birthday will tell me that I should be used to it by now! As it turns out, it has been very easy and fun to join the Trinity High community over the past few months as assistant chaplain to Fr Paul. He, Mrs Marks, Mrs Craig and many others have been so welcoming and supportive.

There is always a great energy about the school and a desire to give of our best and use the gifts and talents God has given us. Particular highlights have been the generosity of the pupils to the foodbank appeal on the non-uniform days, the 1st year Christmas disco (the best musical statues I've ever seen!), and the visit of the NET Ministries team. The response of the local priests and pupils to our Confession Day was very generous and hopeful.

My parishioners at St Anthony and St Mark's also loved the Jingle and Mingle, which gave a perfect opportunity for the teams who make tea for our parishioners every Sunday and Wednesday to be spoiled for a change! I really hope that we can strengthen the ties between parish, parents and school as the months go by.

To all, a very Happy and holy Christmas. Please pray for the Christians of Bethlehem whose celebrations this year have been cancelled because of the security crisis in the West Bank. May the Prince of Peace bring lasting peace and stability to the suffering peoples of the Holy Land in the year ahead.

Father Stephen

EXERCISE & FITNESS NATIONAL PROGRESSION AWARD

Exercise and Fitness National Progression Award S5/6 Gym Leaders Placement.

Thankyou to Lifestyles Eastfield for agreeing to provide a Gym Leaders, Work Experience placement to our S5/6 pupils starting in January 2024.

The pupils have been working hard at Trinity and Lifestyles on their NPA award and are looking forward to starting their placement in January 2024.

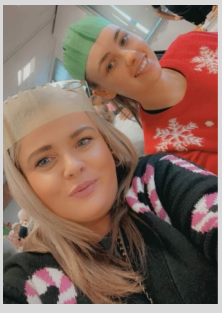
S1 SCHOOL OF NETBALL

Meet our new S1 pupils who were selected for the School of Netball 2023-2024. This is the second year that the programme is running in Trinity High School, and we are still the only School of Netball in South Lanarkshire. The pupils are thriving in their first few months of the programme.

Representatives Freya & Ayomi, tells us about her experience of being a part of the programme...
Freya: "I enjoy the School of Netball because you make loads of new friends and I have loved learning the rules and positions".
Ayomi: "I have enjoyed learning the sport and it has helped grow my passion for netball and helped my overall confidence".

JINGLE & MINGLE

The annual Jingle & Mingle at the school was a BIG hit, many people from local churches such as St Joachims and St Josephs, St Anthony and St Marks, St Columbkilles and St Cadocs. Also pupils and staff from Rutherglen High came along and enjoyed delicious food made by our hard working S4 pupils. At the Jingle & Mingle there were festive games such as guessing what Christmas movies and songs and bingo with prizes and gift baskets, aftershaves, perfumes and different bath salts. Everyone who came along had a blast enjoying the food, games and music.



S1 ALEBRIJE COMPETITION

In November in our Modern Languages Faculty our S1 had to create their own Alebrije which is a Mexican spirit creature which guides the dead to their families and back to their graves on day of the dead (Día de los Muertos). We had submissions on paper, papier-maché, clay, playdough, art foam and 3D models.

EXTRA CURRICULAR CLUBS

At Trinity we have a variety of sporting clubs on offer for you to take part in. For example, tennis, swimming, table tennis, basketball, volleyball, futsal, netball and many more. All clubs run at lunchtime and after school. These are just some of the clubs that you are able to participate in while at Trinity but there is also so much more you can get involved in!

SENIOR MENTAL HEALTH AWARENESS

Cam Cooney - Cam had the young people completely engrossed when he was sharing his life story, you could have heard a pin drop! **Inflatable Adventure Run** - The shoes were getting pulled off before the pupils were even in the gameshall at the excitement of the inflatable adventure run!
LAMH - Our senior pupils were engaged during this workshop listening to Jack Alexander from LAMH as they learned more about Mental Health in the Workplace. **Yoga** - Our young people LOVED trying out some yoga poses in this fun filled and physically demanding workshop. **SAMH -** Our young people were engaged and actively involved in this workshop delivered by SAMH, which was to look at ways in which we can better our mental well-being. **Trampolines & Climbing Wall -** Pupils enjoyed showcasing their acrobatic skills on the trampolines and their agility on the climbing wall.

Change Mental Health - Senior pupils learned about resilience in this active workshop. **Chris' House** - The wonderful team at Chris' House came out to discuss online screen time with our young people. **Alpacas** - The main event arrived at half past 12, when a trailer full of our furry friends pulled into the school car park.

2023 IN TRINITY HIGH

Merry Christmas