



HOLY TRINITY

School Newsletter



Summer Term 2018

Dear Parents and Carers,

We have come to the end of another school year and once again, it has flown by. Thank you to all pupils and staff for their hard work this year and for your support.

Our Year 11 had a wonderful prom on 27th June; their last gathering before they meet again when picking up their exam results on 23rd August. They looked amazing in their beautiful evening gowns and suits. We wish them all the very best for the future and look forward to hearing how they get on as they begin the next phase of their lives.

Year 6 celebrated the end of SATs with a residential trip and a superb performance with Year 5. Well done to everyone involved. This week Y6 also had their leaving disco and graduation.

Congratulations to our Year 10 students for their achievements in the 'Made in Barnsley' initiative. They won first prize for their NHS project, which was well deserved. The Mayor presented them with their award at a ceremony in the Town Hall.

Thank you to everyone who organised the various sports days we've had over the last couple of weeks. It was good to see the pupils enjoying themselves and competing. Thank you also to the parents, carers and grandparents who came along to join us.

At the end of this year, Mr Morton and Mrs Kitchen will be leaving us. Thanks to both of them for their hard work and contribution to Holy Trinity. We wish them all the very best for the future. We are also saying a sad goodbye to Mrs Krause, who has been with us for many years. I know you will join me in wishing her a happy retirement. We will miss her greatly. We also wish Mrs Major all the best as she begins her maternity leave.

Finally, we wish our pupils a happy and restful summer; we look forward to seeing them all on Tuesday 4th September when the Autumn term begins.

God Bless ,

Anna Dickson

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Loveday Nam



Focus on Chaplaincy – Lourdes

This month, Miss Meehan and Mr Henderson took twelve of our Y10 students on pilgrimage to Lourdes. Seventy miracles are proven to have taken place in Lourdes and many Christians go on pilgrimage in hope of a spiritual or physical healing.

Throughout the week our students looked after elderly and disabled pilgrims, taking them to services including the sacrament of the sick and blessing of the helpers.

Thanks to modern technology, Mass



at the grotto was live streamed in school, so everyone could be a part of what was happening and get to experience a little of Lourdes for themselves.

Students also took part in the torchlight and blessed sacrament processions, stations of the cross and the international mass, along with visits to the baths. There was also a social evening with the pilgrims.

Miss Meehan said, "Our students were a credit to our school. Their behaviour and conduct throughout the whole pilgrimage was exemplary. Both Mr Henderson and I were really proud of their efforts. It was also lovely to see the relationships they developed with

their pilgrims throughout the week." Reflecting on the trip, student Loveday Nam said, "Lourdes is the best experience of my life and has changed the way I look at things. The trip was amazing and the baths were so powerful."

It was a fantastic trip, enjoyed by everyone and as this year marks the 160th anniversary since Our Lady appeared to St Bernadette, it was even more special to be there.





Focus on Chaplaincy –Taizé

The Archbishop of York, Dr John Sentamu is leading 166 students and staff on a pilgrimage to the Taizé community, in France.

The Yorkshire Schools Pilgrimage is coordinated by the Archbishop of York Youth Trust and includes Y10, Y11 and Post 16 students from Manor CE Academy, Archbishop Holgate's School, All Saints Academy, Archbishop Sentamu Academy, Abbey Grange CE Academy, Barlby High School and Holy Trinity.

Group leaders on this year's pilgrimage include school chaplains, RE teachers and support staff. Having heard about previous trips from older pupils, this year's groups were very keen to experience Taizé for themselves and to take part in the activities, which included exploring what faith means in an open and questioning environment, experiencing different styles of music and meeting other young people of many nationalities.

Archbishop Sentamu said, "Taizé has a profound effect on people of all ages; last year not only the pupils but also their

teachers experienced its prayerful atmosphere where trust, joy, simplicity and compassion flourish in a unique way.

"These Yorkshire pilgrims have worked hard on their Young Leaders Award challenges, looking beyond themselves to support their fellow pupils, local communities and charities further afield, even as far as

Cape Town. They have blossomed as great role models for their generation and so I am delighted that now, on this Pilgrimage of Trust to Taizé, they will have the opportunity to explore the Christian faith and experience something of God's love through being part of the Taizé community."

More updates are available on the school Facebook page.



Summer Reading

By Miss Walker

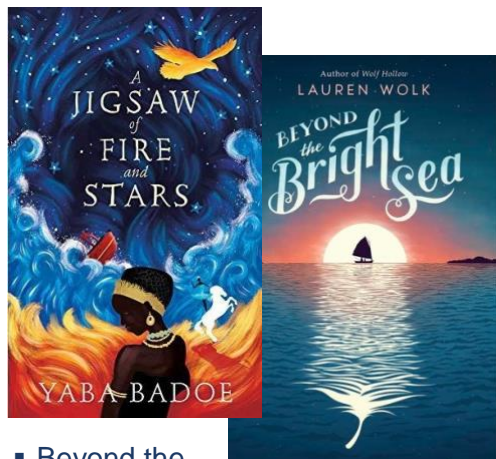
As summer approaches I know that the English Team and I are all dreaming about putting down our marking pens and picking up a good book!

There are so many to choose from that it can be a bit overwhelming when looking at all the different types of books available.

To help you pick a good read we've come up with lists of recommended books, for each age group in school.

Secondary

Here are some award winning books for secondary students to get stuck into this summer:

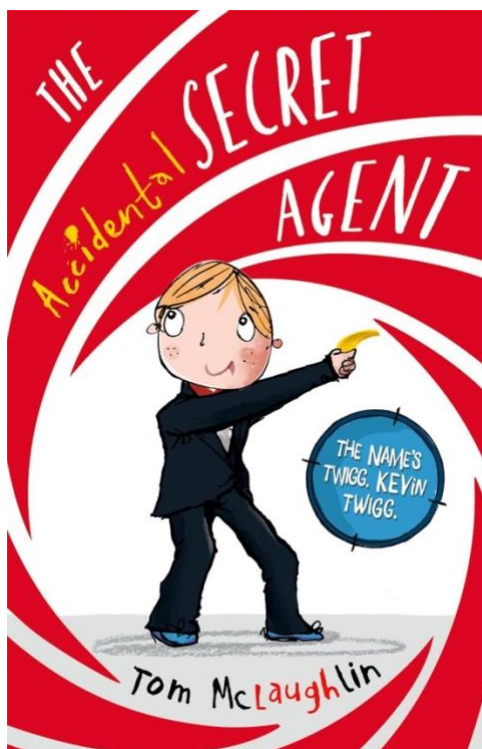


- Beyond the Bright Sea – Lauren Walk
- Rook – Anthony McGowan
- Where the World Ends – Geraldine McCaughrean
- A Girl Called Owl – Amy Wilson
- A Jigsaw of Fire and Stars – Yaba Badoe
- Potters Boy – Tony Mitton

8 – 12 year olds

These books are great page-turners for pre-teens and older primary children:

- The Accidental Secret Agent – Tom McLaughlin
- The Uncommoners – Jennifer Bell

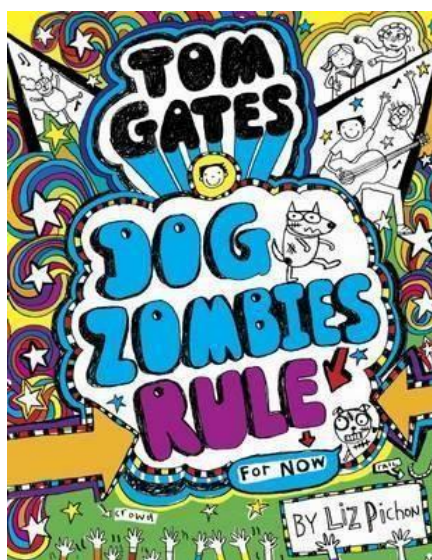


- The Witch's Vacuum Cleaner – Terry Pratchett
- The Great Fire Dogs – Megan Rix
- Tom Gates Dog Zombies Rule – Liz Pichon
- Matilda – Roald Dahl

Classic stories for 0 – 5

Younger children will love these enduringly brilliant books, which are great for reading together with parents, grandparents and older siblings too:

- Each Peach Pear Plum – Alan Ahlberg

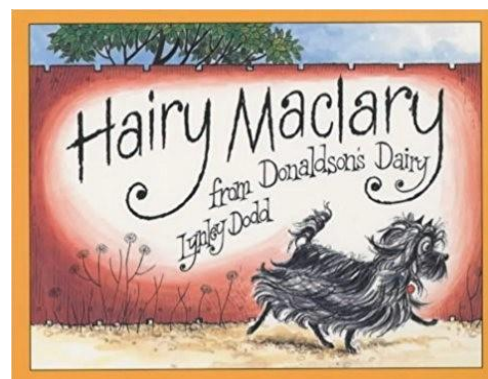


- Dogger – Shirley Hughes
- Gorilla – Anthony Brown
- Room on the Broom – Julia Donaldson
- Hairy Maclary from Donaldson's Dairy – Lynley Dodd
- Little Mouse's Big Book of Fear's – Emily Gravett

We'd love to see photos of you enjoying your reading books this summer.

In September, there will be a prize for the best 'reading photo' submitted to Miss Walker before 7th September. The more original the better!

Be creative and show us where you have taken your books and enjoyed reading in the holidays. It could be the beach, the back garden, or while



travelling. Your pictures will be used in a display showing all the different reading books that parents and pupils have been enjoying during the summer break.

Don't worry if you're feeling a bit stuck for inspiration and would like a reading list. Come and visit us in the English department and we will put something together for you.

The key thing is to try books out and discover your preferred genre, style of writing and plotlines. With so many authors, there's bound to be something you'll like.

Enjoy your holidays and we will look forward to seeing your summer reading photographs next term.

News Round Up

Maths Masterclasses

During June and July, students attended The Royal Institution Maths Masterclasses at Sheffield Hallam University.



The sessions are designed to encourage, inspire and engage young people in the art and practice of mathematics. The aim is to open young people's eyes to the excitement and real-world value of Maths.

Ellie Bellamy, Adelaide Harrison, Francesca Jones and Savannah Taylor attended the masterclasses and enjoyed the experience.

Adelaide said, "We were able to develop our skills and see topics we had studied in class applied in real-life situations and problems.

"We worked in groups with other schools, allowing us to mix with new people and work with others who offered a different perspective.

"Altogether it was a great experience that we were all grateful to have been given and hope for more in the future."



EYFS2 Sports Day

Everyone joined in and had lots of fun at the EYFS2 sports day.

After the events had concluded, there was a bubble parade to finish the day.

A big thank you and well done to everyone who took part and helped to organise and manage the day.

Head Boy and Head Girl

We recently held interviews for the Head Boy and Head Girl positions for next year.

We were very impressed and the students interviewed will make a strong student leadership team.

We are pleased to announce that the Head Boy and Head Girl for next year will be Ilia Jamasb and Amelia Smith. Congratulations and well done to them both.

Photographs

You may notice that there are fewer photographs of pupils in this newsletter. This is because new data protection laws under GDPR require us to update your permission regarding images of your children.

Please return the permission form as soon as possible, so we can continue to share photos of activities and trips, both in the newsletter and in our Facebook group. If you need a form, you can download one from the parents' section of the school website or pick one up from reception.

Welcome to New Staff

We have a number of new teachers joining us in September:

Mrs McCluskey (Assistant Headteacher and English)

Mrs Carr (Science)

Miss Antingham (Year 5)

Miss Fleetwood (Year 4)

Miss Williams (Year 1)

We look forward to welcoming them to our school.



Midsummer on the Moors

- A Barnsley B-Movie

The Holy Trinity Drama Club recently entered the Sheffield Theatres' Shakespeare Schools' Video Competition.

The competition was launched by Rob Hastie, Artistic Director of Sheffield Theatres, giving schools the opportunity to win tickets for 'A Midsummer Night's Dream' at The Crucible in the Autumn.

The judges asked for different takes on a particular scene from A Midsummer Night's Dream (Act 5, Scene One, "The play within a play"). This is where the characters come together and put on their own play, to celebrate the wedding of Theseus and Hippolyta.

The brief students were given told them to be as inventive and ambitious as possible when creating their version of the scene. They had complete freedom to do whatever they liked with style, context, costume, set and props.

'A Midsummer Night's Dream' is a whimsical comedy, full of magic and make-believe. This gave lots of opportunity for the students to use their imaginations and come up with

something really creative and different.

Our students decided to create a "Barnsley B-Movie" set in The Yorkshire Moors, combining their love of cheesy clichés, "mock-shock" humour and the occasional nod to Kes.

We even managed to get local musician, Kyle Baker, to allow us to use his music, which was a lovely addition.

All of our students did amazingly well, both those who performed in the movie and everyone who worked backstage and helped out in supporting roles.

We were all delighted when our drama club won! It was very much deserved and something they should all be very proud of achieving. What's more, the Holy Trinity Drama Club's version will now be used to promote the performance at The Crucible.

Thank you to everyone involved in making 'Midsummer on the Moors' and a HUGE well done for this fantastic achievement.

Our cast and crew:

Year 10

Jack Rushforth, Ellie Rennison, Thomas Smetana

Year 9

Imogen Winder, Adelaide Harrison
Ronnie Slenters, Kaitlyn Smith
Libby Tacey, Ellie Bellamy
Savannah Taylor

Year 8

Melody Hudspith, Ebonie Hudspith,
Owen Francis, Charlotte Parrish,
Laura Spencer

Year 7

Lavinia Harrison



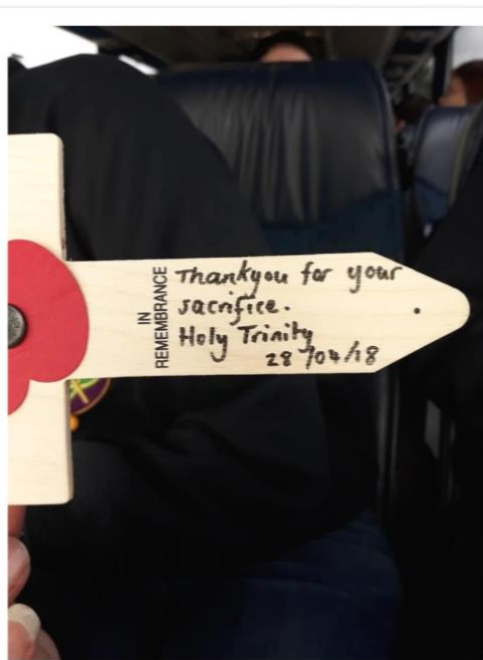
Flanders Battlefields

Mr Fox took a group of Year 9 students to France and Belgium in April.

They managed to cram a lot in, visiting the Flanders Fields Museum, World War I battlefields, the Thiépval Memorial, Delville Wood Memorial and the Lochnagar Crater.

The students also visited preserved trenches and got to experience what it was like for soldiers who served on the front line in the Great War.

There was also an emotional visit to the Barnsley Pals Memorial, where students and staff took time to remember the fallen from our hometown.

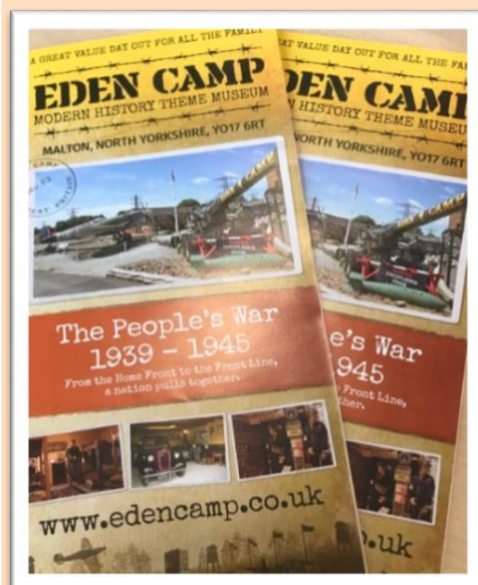


On the final evening of their stay, the students laid a Holy Trinity cross before the Menin Gate in Belgium.



Year 5 Residential Trip

Our Year 5 pupils had a brilliant time on their recent trip to York.



The first stop was Eden Camp, to experience what life was like in World War II. The camp is set up to be as realistic as possible and each of the huts gave pupils different things to explore.

Children also enjoyed the outdoor training camp play area and finding souvenirs in the gift shop!

Their overnight stay at York Racecourse was lots of fun and the children even played out on the racecourse itself. There were a few

"I enjoyed spending time with my friends at the residential. The workshops were interesting and I learned a lot."

Caleb Haldane

tired eyes the next morning – from the teachers!

Day two took the group to the Jorvik Viking Centre, where they found out what life was like for the Vikings when they came to Britain and learned about the battles they fought.

They also discovered what medicines were used to treat injuries and diseases during this era.

The children especially enjoyed the Viking Village ride which showed them how the Vikings lived, the jobs they did and the clothes they wore, complete with the experience of how York smelled back then!

Everyone had a great trip and they were keen to tell us what they had enjoyed most.

Layla Conway said, "Jorvik Viking Centre was fun. I also enjoyed playing with friends in our room."





Theo's Ballet Success

Theo Shirt from Y7 has won a part in the England Youth Ballet's production of 'Cinderella in Hollywood' at the Theatre Royal, in Nottingham.

Theo, who has been dancing since the age of three, auditioned along with 350 other young dancers, but only 100 were successful in landing parts in the production.

In addition, Theo has also been accepted for the associate programme at the prestigious Northern Ballet, for the second year running.

Well Done Theo!

Year 10 and 11 Art Exhibition

A collection of Y10 and Y11 GCSE artwork has been on display in an art exhibition in school.

The pieces on show included some of the students' sketchbooks, coursework and examples of externally set assignments they have completed this year.

Pupils have worked very hard in all aspects of their coursework this year and this was reflected in the quality of the work displayed.

Pictured is Lauren Lees' personal response to 'Human Form'.



UKMT Maths Awards

The UKMT awards encourage reasoning, precision of thought, and fluency in mathematical techniques to solve interesting problems.

Y7 and Y8 take part in the Junior Challenge, whilst Y9, Y10 and Y11, take the Intermediate Challenge.

The problems are designed to make students think. Most are accessible, yet still challenging to those with more experience; they're also meant to be memorable and enjoyable.

Well done to all students who took

part. A special mention must go to Noah Hall, who achieved Best in School, Best in Year and a UKMT Junior Challenge Gold Award.

Noah scored so highly he entered the Kangaroo Maths Challenge, which was even more difficult than the UKMT Maths challenge.

This is a fantastic achievement and it's the first time that a student from Holy Trinity has made it through to this round.

Well done Noah!

