



"In the same way, let your light shine before others, that they may see your good deeds and glorify your Father in heaven." – Matthew 5:16

Key Dates

w/c 7th June. Assessments Week

Wednesday 9th June. Co-curricular starts - see article on page 2 for details.

w/c 28th June. Year 9 Reports

Wednesday 30th June. Year 9 Parents Evening, 4:00pm-7:00pm

COVID Testing. To ensure all students can feel safe in school, students are still expected to continue testing twice a week. These results help to improve the Government road map.

Message from Miss Keysell - Head of Year. I am extremely proud of how the students have embraced their GCSE subjects this academic year. The students have worked tirelessly to catch up on topics covered in lockdown and to try and fill any gaps in their learning that may have occurred in these unusual circumstances. The students have been conscientious in their approach to exploring new topics as well as demonstrating the foundations of some really useful revision and learning techniques. I have been particularly impressed with how the students have responded to being given revision and examination preparation timetables with all students actively trying to manage their time between now and the start of their end of year assessments. Thoroughly well done Year 9!

Year 9 Assessments. Year 9 will be sitting end of year assessments week commencing 7th June. The purpose of these assessments is to evaluate the progress the students have made this academic year and to identify any gaps in the students learning prior to entering Year 10. We do understand that this has been an unusual year to say the least, however these exams are vital in ensuring that we have the correct formulae so every student achieves. The English, Maths and Science exams will be conducted in the sports hall to give the students a true experience of what it is like to sit their exams in Year 11. Mr Birks-Agnew has sent specific details in a letter home last week.



Seneca Learning, a tool for Revision. Seneca Learning is an online platform that provides students with an effective and engaging way to review and retrieve knowledge. It matches closely with the curriculum so using it regularly will help to consolidate learning and is an excellent resource for revision.

Teachers can set specific assignments for classes to complete, however a student can also go onto the website and select any topic from any course to revise individually. This means they are able to independently use it to revise topics of their choice. Students can either click on the assignment that the teacher has set for them or select the subject they want to study. The website provides short video clips, animations and written information before testing their knowledge using practice quizzes. Seneca will record the progress made and adapt the content of the questions asked according to how well the student has performed.

Students sign in to www.senecalearning.com using their school email address. If it doesn't work, check that Google Chrome is the browser being used (Seneca doesn't work with Internet Explorer). [Click here](#) to watch a short video explaining more about how Seneca works.

Notable Nines.

Students Attending Forest School. For demonstrating great teamwork, making everyone feel welcome and mastering the tricks of the trade in the great outdoors!

Year 9 GCSE PE students. For phenomenal commitment to your studies, outstanding behaviour in both theory and practical lessons and for working as a team to help each other improve.

Year 9 Girls Shine. Well done to all students currently involved in the Shine program. You have all made an awesome start and it's lovely to see you all welcome each other to the group in such a mature and loving way.



Creative Intervention. Our incredible students taking part in the Creative Intervention Programme are creating a stunning new piece of artwork to hang in the stairwell by the science labs. 'Soar' is based on a verse from the book of Isaiah 40v31 "but those who hope in the Lord will renew their strength. They will soar on wings like eagles; they will run and not grow weary; they will walk and not be faint."

Term 6 PE Extra-Curricular. We would encourage every student to come and try one of the clubs on offer throughout Term 6. No experience is necessary, we aim to develop fundamental skills, team cohesion and a genuine passion for sport. Come along and give it a go! All clubs on offer in Term 6 are for both boys and girls. We will be starting Cricket and Athletics after school on Mondays (3:30pm- 4:30pm) next term. Year 9 clubs happen on Wednesday.



Co-curricular Activities start on Wednesday 9th June, 2:25pm-3:25pm.

The new co-curricular programme starts after half term on Wednesday 9th June and will be year group based due to the bubble system. Each student has now selected their three preferences and will receive confirmation of their chosen activity this week. The timings of the day will change on Wednesdays to accommodate the new co-curricular activity. Students will still finish school at normal time.

The programme is based on developing students skills for life and incorporates challenging students to develop skills they already possess but also opening them up to new activities which will enhance their life and also prepare them for the world outside school. At Trinity School we pride ourselves on the co-curricular provision offered to students and the new system focuses on broadening students experiences and preparing them for adult life.



Term 5 House Competition - Monday 4th May to Friday 28th May 2021. All students are invited to take part in the house competitions currently running at school. There are three challenges that the Year 9 students can take part in. These are:

- **Mental Challenge** – Students have a link on their school e-mail to the multiple choice Science quiz.
- **Creative Challenge** – Create a logo for their House based on the attributes of the person your house is named after. This can be hand drawn or created on computer. Entries should be e-mailed to Mr Molsher smolsher@trinitysevenoaks.com
- **Physical Challenge** – Students perform as many squats as they can in one attempt without stopping, the thigh must be parallel to the floor.

Students have the chance to win a £10 Amazon Voucher if they win the challenge. Where there is more than one winner students names will be put into a draw, those who are not drawn out will earn double points for their entry. Please encourage your child to enter as this helps them contribute to their house totals and experience new, exciting challenges.



Form Time – What Happens? Form time runs every day from 08:45am to 09:15am, but how is that time spent?

Monday. Planned activities which focus upon revision skills, academic learning strategies and time management.

Tuesday. Act of Worship prepared by our Chaplain.

Wednesday. A topical activity planned by Miss Keysell. Students also debate wider world Wednesdays which is a news article presented by the chaplaincy team to raise global awareness.

Thursday. Form time reading with their tutor to promote literacy.

Friday. PSHE which focuses on addressing personal, social and health issues that our students should be aware of to navigate life beyond Trinity.

SHINE

SHINE Girl Course. We have recently established a 6-week SHINE Girl course for some of our Year 9 students. The course is designed to build confidence as well as develop a greater understanding of personal worth, strength and purpose. It underpins Trinity's ethos in the belief that every student is loved and valuable to God. Each week a key theme is considered and unpacked through discussion and creative activities. The themes of the week include: 'I am valuable and one of a kind!'; 'I am wonderfully made!'; 'I have the power of choice'; 'I am resilient!'; 'My potential is limitless!'; 'My life has purpose - I shine!'. The course is run by the Chaplain, Anna and Mrs Radford.



The Mayor visits Trinity's Creation Care 'Growing Hope' Garden. Wednesday 12th May.

Councillor Dr Merilyn Canet, Sevenoaks Mayor visited Trinity's newly established 'Growing Hope' Garden which supports the Sevenoaks Town Council's 'Give it a Grow' initiative. The Growing Hope Garden aims to educate students on climate change through growing organic vegetables as well as learning how climate change affects poorer nations. Our Creation Care Assistants and

Zoological Assistants were keen to share their knowledge with the Mayor. The Growing Hope Garden is also part of Trinity's Service Programme and provides a quiet place for students and staff to appreciate the healing benefits of growing vegetables in the great outdoors.

Key Staff Contacts. Please make sure your first point of contact for any queries is initially directed towards the form tutor unless you have been previously liaising with Miss Keysell (Head of Year) or Mrs Manaktala for historical or on-going enquiries. If you would like to inform us of your child's absence, please use the attendance email. All relevant emails below:

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