



Dear Tytherington Families,

It has been another jam-packed fortnight in the life of Tytherington School. I am delighted to report that indicative admission numbers for next year show that we will be oversubscribed in rising year 7 for the first time in over a decade. A huge thank you for all your help and support in making this happen. Word of mouth has played a huge role. We hope you enjoy this edition. This fortnight's edition features:



- Tytherington School Remembers
- Tytherington School features in Radio 4 documentary
- Charlie Edwards goes from strength to strength at Stoke City
- Update on the kayaking adventures of Eddie Mackintosh in year 8.
- Laura Smith MP visits Tytherington School to talk about life as a new MP
- Macclesfield Youth Brass band play Halloween special
- Introducing the new online Parents Evening booking system
- Sixth Formers visit Auschwitz

TYTHERINGTON SCHOOL REMEMBERS



Over the past two weeks, students across Tytherington School have been making poppies in their Art lessons. The school collected hundreds of bottle tops to help produce the poppies. The poppies have been "planted" at the front of the school and will eventually form a field of poppies.

Headteacher, Mr Botwe, said: "This is the brainchild of Mr O'Brien and Mr Graham, Head of Middle School and Art respectively, who wanted to put together a cross-curricular project that helped the whole school to collectively reflect on the sacrifices made so that we can enjoy freedom. On Friday 10th November at 11am, the school will come together for two minutes of silent commemoration. Our many cadets will also be invited to wear their cadet uniform on Friday. It has been great to see hundreds of students take part in the project."

TYTHERINGTON FEATURES ON RADIO 4 DOCUMENTARY

Mr Botwe and year 9 students, Charlie Paddock, Katie Barber and Olivia Kewney, all featured in a Radio 4 documentary about confidence. The documentary is called "The Confidence Trick" and you can hear it on BBC iplayer:

<http://www.bbc.co.uk/programmes/b09czp4l>

This particular episode looks at the impact schooling can have on your confidence. The documentary was produced by Geoff Bird who is a parent at the school.



CHARLIE EDWARDS GOES FROM STRENGTH TO STRENGTH AT STOKE CITY

Charlie Edwards (Year 9) has been selected to represent Stoke city football club for the year above his current age group at a special training camp in Vietnam.

This is a tremendous achievement and underlines the fact that Charlie is making excellent progress in his football. We wish him all the best.



CHRISTMAS FAIR UPDATE

Thank you to everyone who kindly donated Chocolates and Bottles on the Non-Uniform day. These items will all go towards the ever popular Chocolate and Bottle Tombola's for our Christmas Fair on Thursday 30th November 6-8pm. There will also be a BBQ, Bar, Raffle, Roller Disco, Games, Christmas Crafts, Fashion & Christmas gift stalls, Christmas Choir plus much more. We look forward to seeing you all there!



UPDATE ON THE KAYAKING ADVENTURES OF EDDIE MACKINSTOSH



Last month we introduced you to Edward Macintosh in Year 8 who represents Macclesfield and District Canoe Club. Eddie had another major kayaking achievement on the first weekend of half-term. This time it was in his Slalom discipline as opposed to the Flat Water Racing we reported on last month. He was second in a Division 3 K1 Slalom race held at Stone (Staffs) which means he is now promoted for next season (2018) to Division 2. This is completely open to all ages (as is Div 3) although under 18s tend to do very well at that level because of their physical development. After Division 2 you progress to Division 1 and then the Premier Division. We wish Eddie all the best in his quest to get to Paris 2024!



GRACE DUFFIN WOWS THE AUDIENCE IN DANCE COMPETITION IN IRELAND

Grace in year 8 attended Dancer of the Year Competition in County Mayo in Ireland, representing her Dance School, Dance Addicts. She competed against some of the top schools in Europe.

Grace did amazingly well considering the standard, making the final in both her U14 Inter Solo Section and then placed third in her U14 Open Slow Pairs Section with her partner Ashley on the next day. She also qualified in a previous competition to be able to perform spotlight dances in both fast and slow sections during the weekend.

Well done Grace!

LAURA SMITH MP VISITS TYTHERINGTON SCHOOL TO TALK ABOUT LIFE AS AN MP



Laura Smith MP kicks off Parliament Week at Tytherington School

New MP Laura Smith visited Tytherington School to talk to Sixth Formers and members of the Student Parliament about life as a new MP. Laura Smith was elected MP for Crewe and Nantwich in the last general election by one of the narrowest margins in the whole country (48 votes).

Laura Smith MP answered questions ranging from her views of Brexit, votes for 16 year olds and funding for Cheshire East schools. She talked about the importance of always believing in yourself and aiming high.

Sixth Former, Bethany Wilson, tweeted: "absolutely wonderful talk from Laura Smith MP today. She answered questions with an honesty you don't see in a lot of MPs."

Headteacher, Mr Botwe, said: "This was a great way to kick off Parliament Week. Across the week we will be running Student Parliament workshops for our feeder primary schools and there will be a Cheshire East councillor Question Time for students to enjoy. We are also delighted that our local MP David Rutley is able to come in and talk to students. I am delighted that he was able to meet Gavin Bunyan who is in the Sixth Form over the half-term and give him an experience of life in the Houses of Parliament. There will also be several lessons devoted to students learning about democracy in the UK. This will be an exciting week."

A FORTNIGHT ON TWITTER



Tytherington School @TytheringtonSch · Nov 1

Over the next week, students are making poppies and constructing our own field of poppies as a tribute @PoppyLegion. We'll keep you posted.



Tytherington School Retweeted



Mrs Healey @TythyAHTMrsH · Nov 2

We were delighted to welcome Fire Service into to talk to KS3 about keeping safe on Bonfire Night. #ROSE



Tytherington School Retweeted



Mr Pilbury @TythyDHTMrP · Nov 1

Great to see so many Year 11 students at the first Geography Revision & Support Session! #TSBestYouCanBe



Congratulations to Molly Jarrett on winning Young Achiever of the year award! She was nominated for raising over £820 for charities such as Macmillan Cancer Support, East Cheshire Hospice and the Little Princess Trust.

MACCLESFIELD YOUTH BRASS BAND PLAY HALLOWEEN SPECIAL

A 'zombie' brass band has wowed judges with its Halloween themed performance. Macclesfield Youth Brass Band thrilled audiences at the 'Brass Factor', competition with their rousing performance. Many of the students who play in the band are at Tytherington School.



Not only did the 32 strong band win overall first prize, but they were also named the winners of the Audience Vote. Louise Renshaw, musical director, said: "This was a great night for the youth band, competing against some notable adult bands, this was our best competition result to date."

"We had worked really hard to include a lot of drama and fun in our set and the audience reaction was amazing. The players were fantastic, totally getting into the spirit of it." She added: "It was a bit like X Factor, we performed for 20 minutes and then had to listen to the judges critique."

One judge said: "I can see why 120 young people turn up to play in this band every Friday night, it's so much fun. All power to Macclesfield Youth Band, every town should have this."

DISCOUNT FOR TYTHERINGTON STAFF AND STUDENTS



Ex-Tytherington student Kyle Gorman set-up Menswear Store, Yards, in Macclesfield in July 2016 along with business partner Sam Foulkes .

He is really keen to get involved with local schools and give students and staff an exclusive discount code in the run up to Christmas. Kyle Gorman said: "As ex-students we understand generally students don't have a lot of money around this time of year so we would like to offer all students and staff a 10% discount to help with Christmas presents or just a treat. This offer would be valid until the 24/12/17 and would just require to show either student card or staff card."

We have a good range of products for all ages and styles in store and it would be great to share this with the school."

TRANSITION UPDATE - MONDAY 6TH - FRIDAY 10TH NOVEMBER



It has been another busy week of transition activities this week at Tytherington with over 130 pupils from Year 5 & 6 visiting us for a variety of activities! On Tuesday, we welcomed over 70 pupils from Puss Bank, Hurdsfield, Pott Shrigley, St Albans & Hollinhey to our very popular Forensic Science Day led by our resident expert Mrs Booth. The pupils spent the day taking part in 6 experiments to discover the identity of the thief. The pupils had the opportunity to use microscopes to study fibres, have their fingerprints taken and re-search which footprint left the mark at the scene. One Year 6 pupil from Puss Bank said "it's been lots of fun using the science equipment and even getting covered in fingerprint dust!".

On Wednesday, Mr Beecher (Music Teacher) worked with 30 Year 5 pupils from Marlborough to study percussion instruments. There was a lot of noise coming from music and the pupils had the chance to try a variety of percussion instruments and compose their own music to complement the topic they have been studying at school.

On Thursday, Mr O'Brien (Head of Middle School & History Teacher) spent the day with Year 5 pupils from Bollington Cross learning about the Anglo Saxons. The year 5s had to use all their detective skills to study sources, analyse key information and show off their impressive inference skills. All very important skills for anyone wishing to become a true historian! Mr O'Brien said, "it has been a real pleasure to meet pupils from Bollington Cross today and I hope they

use some of their new skills as historians to discover more interesting facts when they are back at school".

Exciting new transition website coming soon!

The Year 7 transition media team have also been really busy this week in their first official meeting. The team aims to transform the current Tytherington transition website available and provide regular blogs about transition events and information for all future Tytherington students and parents. The team will be spending the next few months planning and preparing the new website before presenting it to Mr Botwe and other members of Senior Leadership Team and Mr Bill (IT Manager).

Look out for regular updates from the team over the next few weeks and months!

Year 7 Planning & Revision Evening

We were delighted to welcome over 100 parents and Year 7 students to our first KS3 revision evening. The aim of the evenings being run by Mr Pilbury for Year 7, 8 & 9 is to support students and parents with practical ideas to revise and prepare for the forthcoming KS3 assessments. Mr Pilbury had everyone trying out techniques such as quizzing and spoke to students about how they could tackle more complex questions. It was a really successful evening and I would like to thank Mr Pilbury for sharing his expert tricks & tips with KS3 students.

The next planning & preparation evenings are Tuesday 21st November (Year 9) and Tuesday 28th November (Year 8). Please contact Mrs Amron in the main office if you would like to book a place on either evening.



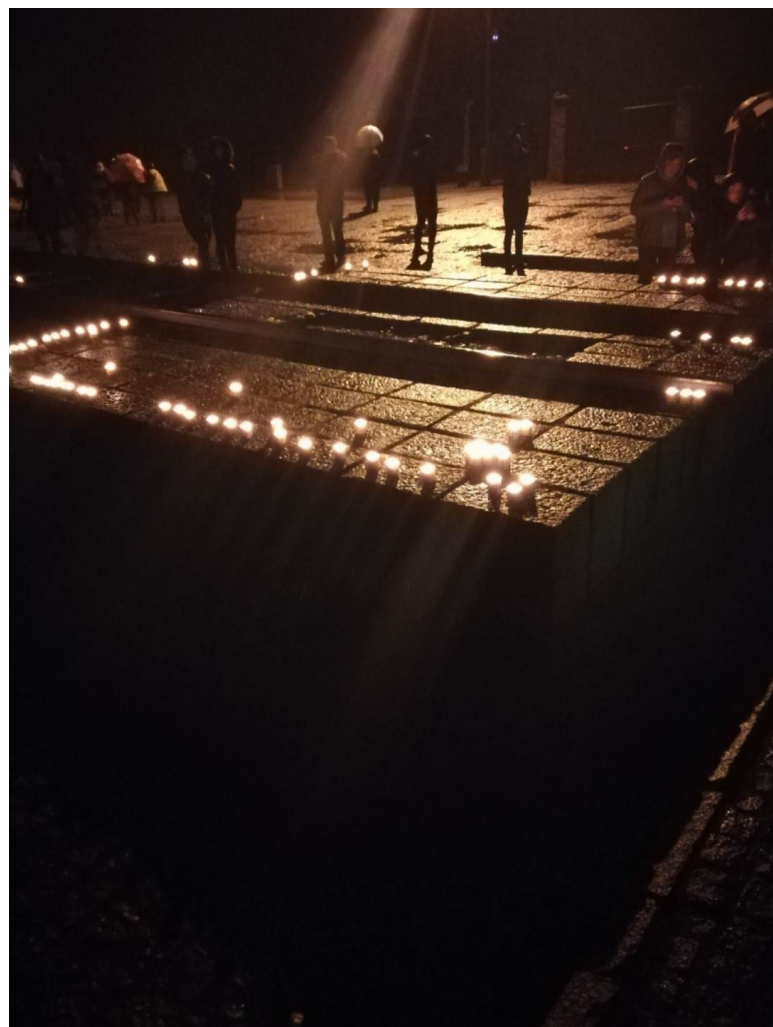
SIXTH FORMERS VISIT AUSCHWITZ TO LEARN ABOUT THE HOLOCAUST

Two of our Year 13 historians visited Auschwitz with the Holocaust Educational Trust.

Louis Thomas-Messenger and Eleanor Dougan applied and were chosen to represent Tytherington School at the memorial service in Poland. Both students found it a very moving service and a day of reflection.

Based on the premise that 'hearing is not like seeing', this four-part course explores the universal lessons of the Holocaust and its relevance for today. The LFA Project aims to increase knowledge and understanding of the Holocaust for young people and to clearly highlight what can happen if prejudice and racism become acceptable. The visits to the former Nazi concentration and death camp of Auschwitz-Birkenau are preceded and followed by half-day seminars in order to ensure an exceptional educational experience.

Louis Thomas-Messenger said about the trip to Auschwitz: "The whole feeling of the place was eerie, knowing that you were walking in the same place as so many people before, but unlike them, you had the choice to enter and to leave"



GUIDE TO ONLINE PARENT EVENINGS BOOKING SYSTEM

We are very pleased to let you know that we are linking with ParentMail to provide an online Parents' Evening Booking System so you can book your parents' evening appointments from your smartphone, tablet or computer.

You should soon receive a registration email or text that contains a link that enables you to register for the system with ParentMail. Once you have done this, you will be alerted when you can book appointments and will then be able to select the times that are convenient to you. It's all very straight-forward, but if you need help you can visit the ParentMail help site: www.parentmail.co.uk/help/parenthelp/

In order to make things extra easy, we are updating our My Ed app to include a button that will take you straight through to the online booking system with ParentMail. If you do not have this app at the moment, please follow these steps to be able to download it:

1. Go to your app store (i.e. Apple App Store or Google Play Store)
2. Search for "My Ed"
3. Download the App

In order to ensure that both the Parents' Evening Booking System and the My Ed app run with full functionality, you will need to keep us updated of any changes to your email address or mobile telephone by contacting our Main Office.

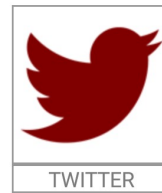
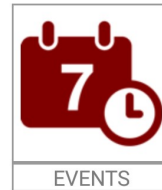
We look forward to providing and engaging with you through this service.

I hope you have enjoyed this fortnight's edition of the Headteacher's Notes. If you would like to access previous editions, please visit:

<http://www.tytheringtonschool.co.uk/category/news/headteacher/>

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