



Dear Tytherington Families,

It gives me great pleasure to update you on the last two weeks at Tytherington School. The students have taken part in a number of exciting events including: the excellent Christmas Concert, ROSE Day, the Christmas Market and the Finance and STEM Academy visit to London. Our students have also been working hard to help those less fortunate through fundraising events for the Wood Street Mission Toy Collection, the Treehouse Homeless Project and SilkLife Foodbank. I hope you enjoy the brief summary of what we have been up to in the opening week of December.

Transport update

Thank you to all of you who have responded to our survey about school transport. The result of this is that there is a high demand for transport to the school from many areas and we have decided to start by looking at the Whaley Bridge, Kettlethulme, Rainow, Hurdsfield, Buxton Road to Tytherington School route. We are obtaining quotes from bus companies for this route via Transport Service Solutions. Please see the sample timetable and route map. I am hoping we can get this running during this academic year and then we can look at other routes. I will keep you informed of progress including costs and timescales, but in the meantime please do let me know what you think of this idea and any other ideas you have.

Tytherington School - pick up points

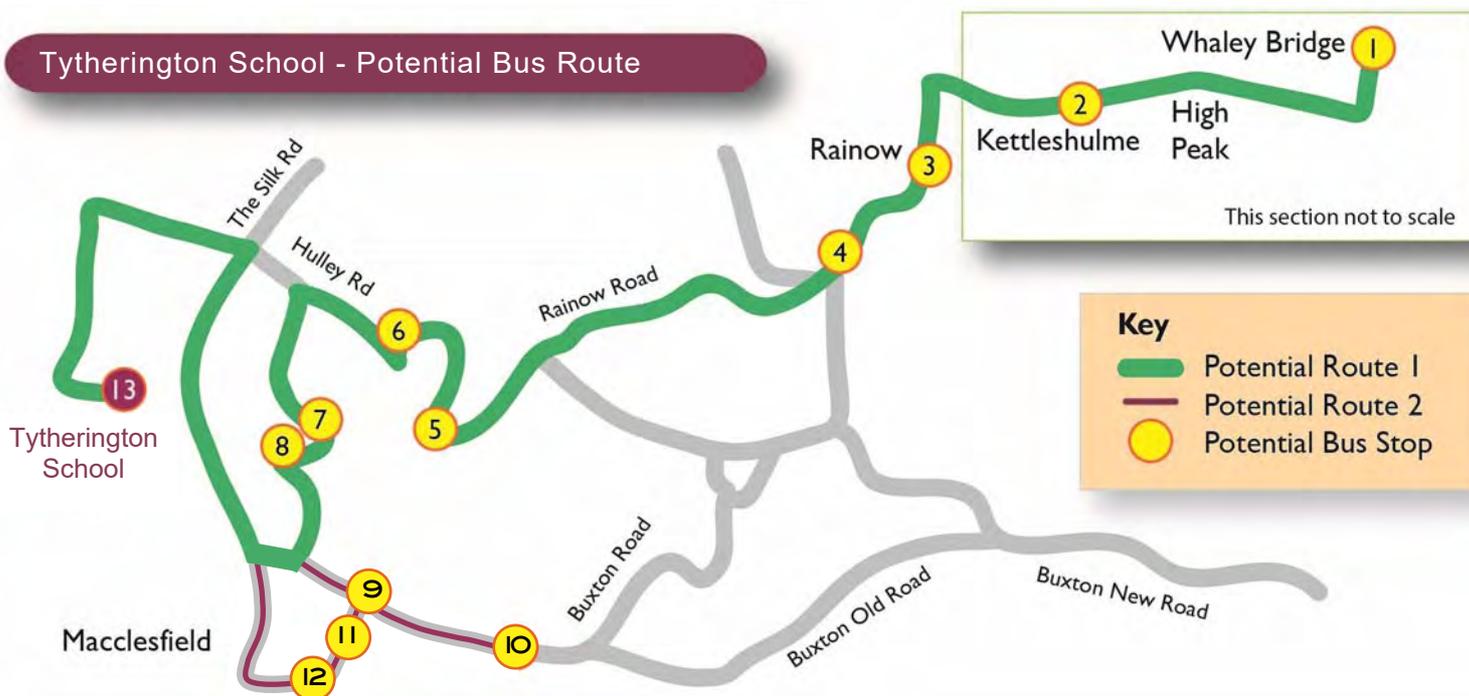
Whaley Bridge - Kettlethulme - Rainow - Tytherington School

Whaley Bridge to Tytherington School - mornings

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| 1 | Whaley Bridge Railway Station | 7.45 |
| 2 | Kettlethulme, Bulls Head | 7.55 |
| 3 | Rainow, Trinity Church | 8.00 |
| 4 | Opposite Mount Pleasant | 8.03 |
| 5 | Adjacent to Delamere Drive bus stop | 8.08 |
| 6 | Delamere Drive, corner | 8.10 |
| 7 | Opposite Brocklehurst Avenue | 8.13 |
| 8 | Duram Ox | 8.15 |
| 9 | Opposite Black Road/Buxton Road | 8.20 |
| 10 | Forest Cottage | 8.25 |
| 11 | Opposite Bank Square/Black Road | 8.28 |
| 12 | St Peters Church/Heapy Street | 8.30 |
| 13 | Tytherington School | 8.45 |

Potential extension of route

Tytherington School - Potential Bus Route



Year 7 Update

It has been a very busy couple of weeks for many of our Year 7 learners. Our Year 7 Advanced Learners have been undertaking their first **Secret Mission** assignments (**due on Friday, December 11th**) with some extremely outstanding efforts – more details of which will be revealed in the next newsletter – watch this space!

Two weeks ago, we launched **The Headteacher's Short Story Competition**, which is to become an annual event. This year's theme is Christmas, and the winning story will be read out in the whole school assembly on the last day of term.

The next challenge for Year 7 is the **Bucket List Challenge**, to be announced this week in assembly. The Bucket List sets out 15 wide ranging and inspiring tasks to suit all tastes and talents – something to keep you busy in the holidays when you've seen enough re-runs of the Christmas classics or want to get out of playing charades with the family! The deadline for completing the Bucket List is **Friday, January 29th**

ROSE Day on December 3rd also provided lots of challenge and interest for Year 7. Two competing groups took part in an **Apprentice** style task to complete the most successful **ROSE Day** newsletter,

which will form part of next week's **Academy News**. Mrs. Burke and Mrs. Healey found it extremely difficult to choose a winner, as both teams produced a high quality product at the end of the process. Nine students from across both teams will now go forward to produce a double page spread for **Bollington Live**, working with the editor, Annette Hurst, on the project. These students will have the unique opportunity to see the process through from design and writing, to printing and production, as well as the actual delivery of the magazine to houses in Bollington in March next year.

Budding writers enjoyed a **Creative Writing** workshop delivered by former pupil and published author, Charles Eades. In the workshop, they were given some useful advice on the writing process, and were given the chance to practise their skills. We certainly have some very creative imaginations at work in Year 7, as could be seen from the impressive range of mythical creatures in many of the stories produced!

Finally, one lucky group of Year 7 scientists will be visiting **Jodrell Bank** to witness the launch of Tim Peake, the European Space Agency's first British astronaut, to join the crew of the international Space Centre on December 15th.

Look out for the launch of the **Tenner Business Challenge** next term! More details to follow.



Tytherington students supporting the local Community

It was great to be able to send off a lorry load of food brought in by staff and students in support of 'The Treehouse Homeless Project' and 'SilkLife Foodbank'.



Tytherington students were also involved in the Wood Street Mission Toy Collection.

A massive thank you to Mrs Brennan and Miss Davies for arranging these fundraising events.



The Christmas Market

Nearly 100 students were involved in the organisation and running of stalls at the Friends of Tytherington School annual Christmas Market. The market was the perfect opportunity for parents and youngsters to



complete their Christmas shopping. The money raised from the event was used to support a range of good causes including providing support for the school.

The market raised just over **£1000** for the school.



Christmas Concert

Many thanks to Mr David Lilley and his team for yet another tremendous Christmas Concert. Over 100 students from across the school took part in a range of musical performances. We were treated to a number of solo and choir pieces. There was a great blend of traditional carol songs such as *Once in Royal David's City* to more modern pieces from the soulful Jazz Band. It was a great opportunity for the whole Tytherington community to come together and celebrate Christmas. Please make sure you read next week's Academy News to get a detailed report on the Christmas Concert.



I look forward to writing to you next week in the special Christmas edition of the Academy News. There will be a full report on the excellent Christmas concert, details of the House Pantomime Competition, we will also reveal the winner of the Headteacher's Essay competition as well as extracts from our first ever Key Stage 3 newspaper!

With my very best wishes for the Christmas Season,



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