



Dear Tytherington Families,

What an incredibly busy fortnight it has been. Many thanks to all the staff, students and parents who supported the school during our highly successful Open Day and Evening. We were immensely proud to show hundreds of visitors our wonderful school. Over the past fortnight there have been several things happening in school including: Year 8 Advanced Learners completing their RHS Green Plan it Challenge, Mr Botwe addressed the Macclesfield Castle Rotary Club about the recent successes of Tytherington School, 6th Form English Literature students attended *A Streetcar Named Desire* at the Royal Exchange theatre in Manchester, Christmas House Panto auditions, Inter-House Chess, we welcomed Bollington St John's for a transition visit and celebrated Roald Dahl Day just to name a few of the activities in school.

We were also delighted to see several hundred students and parents attend our Parents Information Evenings.

You can find all of the presentations on by following the link below:

<http://www.tytheringtonschool.co.uk/parents/information-evenings/>

TYTHERINGTON SCHOOL SHORTLISTED FOR PRESTIGIOUS "BAGS OF HELP" AWARD

Tytherington School has secured at least £8,000 as it has been shortlisted for a "Bags of help" grant. As you will be aware, over the last year, a group of students

TESCO Bags of Help

have been renovating a piece of derelict land on our site. The Gardening Club aims to develop teamwork and community. Our work has been recognised as contributing to the local environment and we are guaranteed an award of at least £8000. The money will be used to provide more equipment for the project. We plan to involve local primary schools and community groups.

Tesco has teamed up with Groundwork on its Bags of Help initiative in hundreds of regions across England and Wales. The scheme sees three community groups and projects in each of these regions awarded grants of £12,000, £10,000 and £8,000 – all raised from the 5p bag charge.

Bags of Help offers community groups and projects in each of Tesco's 416 regions across the UK a share of revenue generated from the 5p charge levied on single-use carrier bags. The public will now vote in store on 31 October to 13 November (originally planned to take place 26 September to 9 October) to decide who should receive the £12,000, £10,000 and £8,000 awards. In total, there is over £12.5 million up for grabs!

You can help us get even more money if you vote for us when you visit your local Tesco Hibel Road store. Watch this space for updates!



MR FITZSIMMONS SCORES A CENTURY AS HYDE WIN THE CHESHIRE CUP!

Mr Fitzsimmons, Head of PE and Ethos, is known for being a fantastic and inspirational teacher. He is also one of Cheshire's premier cricketers starring for county champions, Hyde Cricket Club!



On Sunday 11th September, Hyde played Elworth from South Cheshire in the Cheshire Cup final. The Elworth team included former Pakistan international fast bowler Yasir Ali in their line up. Batting first Hyde scored 265/5. Mr Fitzsimmons scored 107 off 138 balls hitting 10 fours and one six.

In reply Elworth were bowled out for 164. This cup victory concludes a successful couple of years for Hyde including reaching the National final of ECB T20 competition and having twice won the ECB Cheshire Premier League. Mr Fitzsimmons was named Man of the Match. Well done Fitzy!!!!



THE GREEN PLAN IT CHALLENGE BY FRANCESCA CURTIS 8EB

On Monday 12th September, two teams of six students went on a trip to the Whitworth Art Gallery to take part in the Green Plan It Challenge. The day began with a talk at the start from Stephen Lowe, CEO of the project, and then we were introduced to what the challenge was going to be. Afterwards we met our mentors and were shown around the different gardens at the Whitworth Art Gallery. Our mentors Tony Jones (Plant area Manager—Woodford Garden Centre) and Hugh Bunting—Landscaping and Habitat Manager at Manchester Airport)



The Green Plan It Challenge is aiming to introduce more young people to gardening and see if they might think about horticulture as a future career. The Challenge takes 10 weeks and involves the team of students coming together once a week to plan a community garden. As well as garden and planning skills, the Challenge involves sketching a design, building a model, writing a report and, of course, teamwork.

Over the course of 10 weeks the team needs to slowly brainstorm ideas, start planning, and draw the design. They then plan, prepare and build a model before making and presenting a 'pitch'. You also have to write a report about how the team made their decisions and how the garden design works.



NATIONAL CHARITY RECOGNISES EXCELLENCE IN ART

NADFAS (National Association of Decorative and Fine Art Societies) is a world-wide arts-based educational charity. The local society which is based in Macclesfield's Heritage Centre, contacted us to arrange a meeting. From that meeting Carolyn Griffiths, the NADFAS representative in Macclesfield, thought that the charity might be able to offer some financial support for our students.

Firstly, they have set up a scholarship for A Level school leaver Peter Griffen, which involves financial support to help cover the cost of course materials and books. Peter met Carolyn Griffiths over the summer and has since started a Fine Arts course at Leeds University.



Secondly, NADFAS offered financial support to two of our current A Level students, to help contribute towards the costs of participating in an Art Course based in Tuscany. The course is due to take place at the end of October. The course is part of a Cheshire wide schools initiative which aims to provide an intensive experience that challenges and extends students' abilities within the visual arts. Both Samantha Bailey and Robert Needham were accepted through the interview process and are currently undertaking tasks and participating in workshops in preparation for the course. Both students are extremely grateful for the support and art planning to meet NADFAS members in the new year to show and discuss their work.

Manny Botwe, Headteacher with Sam Bailey, Robert Needham and Carolyn Griffiths

FREE PORRIDGE AT TYTHERINGTON SCHOOL!

We want to ensure that as many students and staff start the day in the right way. We have teamed up with our catering providers, Innovate, to trial free porridge for staff and students in the mornings. Students and staff should come to the Refectory from 8am onwards. The Chief Operating Officer of Innovate, Ken Navin, said:

"Innovate are delighted to be working in partnership with Tytherington School and highlighting the importance of a great, healthy breakfast. Often stated as the most important meal of the day, it's quite astonishing how many of us simply do not find the time to consume anything prior to committing to our busy daily schedules. The health benefits of porridge have been highlighted many times over and we are delighted to offer this menu item on a complementary basis to both students and staff at the school."

Headteacher, Manny Botwe, said: "As well as the obvious physical health benefits, I have been really impressed with the impact it has had on the whole school community. We want to encourage more staff and students to eat together."



Manny Botwe, Headteacher, Emma Duerden, Mark Chapman (Head Chef), Ben Swindells, Lucas Anderson and Chris Bill (IT Manager) sample the porridge!

TYTHERINGTON SCHOOL STUDENTS IN THE COMMUNITY

Several Tytherington students were involved in the Wing Training Day competition. The 236 (Bollington) Squadron came 2nd overall in the Wing Training Day competition held on 11th September. The Air Cadets competed against 36 other Squadrons in five different disciplines: Drill, Aircraft Recognition, First Aid, Modelling and Media and whilst it was a very close competition, the Bollington Air cadets achieved their best ever result at a Wing Training Day!! As one of the smallest and most rural Squadrons in the Wing, this result is an outstanding achievement and testament to the commitment and skills of the Bollington Air Cadets. If the Air Cadets sounds like it could be for you, please visit the 236 website on: <https://www.236atc.co.uk/>

The Tytherington students who took part were James Bridge, Samuel Rainford, Holly Brockbank, Nathaniel Wattis, Zach Lonyon, Cameron Tebay, Mille Buck and Chris Williams.



WORKING IN PARTNERSHIP WITH PARENTS

Working in partnership with families is really important to us. Please take a few minutes to click on the link before to get information about when parent/carers events are happening in school:

<http://www.tytheringtonschool.co.uk/calendar/category/parents-information-evenings/list/>

Please also take the time to look at our ROSE Day programme which kicks off next week. This provides guidance to students on a range of Personal, Social and Health issues including relationships and keeping safe. Please have a look at the link: <http://www.tytheringtonschool.co.uk/parents/rose-days-2016-17-overview/>. Please do not hesitate to contact the school if your child may be affected by any of the issues and you would like support.

Many thanks for your continued help and support of the school.

Yours sincerely,
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