Dear Tytherington Families,

I hope you enjoy this edition of the Headteacher's Notes. We have been up to lots of things around the school. This edition includes:

- Tytherington School Takes over Bollington Live!
- Year 12 students visit the UCAS convention to find out about university life
- The U12 Girls football team conquer Cheshire and Warrington
- We appoint our first ever Poet Laureate
- We celebrated World Poetry Day
- We profile one of our Apprentices
- Our Student Parliament grill representatives from the Town Council

YEAR 7 GIRLS FOOTBALL TEAM CROWNED CHAMPIONS OF CHESHIRE AND WARRINGTON



Congratulations to the Year 7 girls football team who were crowned champions of Cheshire and Warrington. The girls qualified for this tournament after winning the Macclesfield League convincingly earlier in the year. The Cheshire & Warrington Competition put together all of the league winners from across Cheshire. Having come through the tough groups stages, we defeated Ellesmere Port School in the final. The team did not concede a single goal in the whole tournament. Lily Fallon finished top-scorer in the whole competition. Well done to all!

Team:

Lily Fallon 7PE,Lili Miller 7IB, Lily Hayward 7PE, Lily Dutton 7DV, Grace Hough 7DV, Grace Duffin 7DV, Dids Parish 7BT, Susie Bridgett 7IB and Caitlin Rowley 7DV





INTRODUCING OUR TEAM

For the last two years running, Tytherington School has taken part in a joint project with Bollington Live! and Bollington Printshop.

Fourteen of our year 7 students helped create and write articles for this pull-out issue of the magazine.

We had the opportunity to see how the magazine was produced and edit our articles as well as visiting the printshop.

We have loved taking part in this project and hope you will enjoy reading it as much as we have enjoyed writing it.



The talented editorial team helping to create this years' masterpiece are pictured during our visit to Bollington Printshop

Susannah Bridgett, Emma Beech, Charlotte Hall, Anwen Brookes-Tee, Thomas Denham-Everett, Oliver Gaunt, Harry Donohoe, Jason Curtis, Charlie Coldwell, Frankie James-Lee, William Richardson, Jenson Gidion, Theo Wharton, Daniel Balderson

6TH FORMERS VISIT THE UCAS CONVENTION—MS FELLOWS



On Tuesday 14th March Year 12 went to the UCAS Higher Education Exhibition at Manchester Central. This was an opportunity for our students to meet and talk to representatives from a range of Universities and Higher Education institutions across the UK and beyond. Alongside the universities were companies such as Accenture, Airbus, BAE Systems, Ernest and Young, STA Travel and Rolls Royce, as well as the Armed Forces and the National Apprenticeship Service.

The atmosphere inside was buzzing as we joined students from all over the North West at the start of their exciting journey of choosing and applying for University. The diversity of courses on offer was staggering. It was great to see our students talking to the different universities and starting to compare the differences in courses.

Comments from 6th Formers included:

"I had no idea that there were that many universities, let alone that so many courses are available. I found a music course which sounds really exciting and I'm now keen to get involved."

"Having so many different universities available to gather information from was very useful and has given me a lot to think about."

"It was my first time at a UCAS Convention and at the beginning I was really overwhelmed by the size and surroundings. I collected loads of information and have been able to look at this more closely at home."

"I now have some ideas of what I might like to study, and I now know where I can study."

"What was really useful was finding out the differences between courses. For example, an English degree at Leeds might be so different from the course at Hull."

"While I'm not sure University is for me, I had a really interesting conversation with the National Apprenticeship Service."

Students will start their UCAS applications in the summer term, completing their personal statements over summer they will also have the opportunity to visit universities on their Open Days to make their choices.





MEET OUR POET LAUREATES

Congratulations to Talluah Howarth who was appointed as our first ever Poet Laureate. The Poet Laureate will write and perform poems to commemorate important events/achievements of the school. The poet laureate will also promote the appreciation of poetry around the school e.g through assemblies, form time, and running House competitions and workshops for younger students. They will also contribute to school publications.

Abbie Macdonald was also appointed to assist Tallulah as our Lower School Poet Laureate.

We have also created a Poetry Society with the following as founding members:

Betty Wilson (Year 12), Anna Langston (Year 11), Tallulah Howarth (Year 10), Marian Walford (Year 8), Abbie McDonald (year 8) and Poppy Dutton (year 8).



MRS MCPIKE SKYDIVES FOR CHARITY UPDATE!

A big thank you to all of you who have donated to Teenage Cancer Trust for the skydive I am doing on Sunday 14th May.

I can't believe how fast the day is approaching! So far, I have raised through the website £615 and cash donations are £120 making a total of £735.00! Amazing! I thought I would give one final request for donations before the big day! Weather permitting!

Thank you for all your words of encouragement it really helps!

https://www.justgiving.com/Mandy-McPike1.



WORLD POETRY DAY



Tytherington poets celebrate World Poetry Day with lunchtime readings in the Library.

To celebrate World Book Day, on Tuesday, 21st March, Miss Woods and Miss Rees organised an open poetry reading in the Library at lunchtime. A range of poetry pundits sacrificed their sandwiches to come and read or listen to some great poetry.

Tallulah Howarth, our newly appointed Poet Laureate opened the proceedings by reading one of her original poems, which was a fantastic way to begin. This was followed by Abigail McDonald, our Lower School Poet Laureate, who gave a thoughtful reading of Maya Angelou's "And Still I Rise."

There were many excellent and powerful readings of a wide range of poetry readings, and it was great to see some younger students taking part, such as Stanley O'Connor in year 7 who gave a clear and moving reading of Seamus Heaney's

Mid Term Break. We were privileged to hear Tina Nauman read a poem by Goethe, Germany's answer to Shake-speare, and be able to listen to a poem read in Spanish by Jackson Leigh, which was a real treat. Veteran Tytherington Poet Taran Spivey delighted ,as always, by reading two poems (appropriately) on the subject of poetry itself, one of his own creation, and one by Henry Wadsworth Longfellow.

As Samuel Taylor Coleridge famously said, poetry is "the best words in the best order" and those who were privileged to be able to spend a few minutes at lunchtime listening to them being read in the best way – out loud to an audience. The attendance was excellent, and all agreed it was time well spent! We were entertained by a myriad of the old and the new, the classic and the original, words that were wise and witty, fearful and fun. A massive thanks to everyone who came along to read, or to listen.

The English Department intends to follow this event by setting up a Poetry Society with the help of our newly appointed Poet Laureates Tallulah and Abigail, as well as their founding members Betty Wilson, Anna Langston, Poppy Dutton and Marion Walford. The society will meet on a regular basis to discuss, write and promote poetry throughout the school – so if you are a budding poet, writer, lyricist, or just love words- watch this space!!!

ENGLISH SCHOOL CROSS-COUNTRY FINALS

Congratulations to Finn Proffitt who finished 18th and Lauren Robinson who finished 122nd out of 300+ strong field in the National Championships! Well done!!!



STAFF IN PROFILE



Where do you live?

I live in Macclesfield.

How long have been working at Tytherington?

I haven't worked here for long – nearly two months now.

What did you do before you came to Tytherington?

I worked as a waiter.

Have you always been interested in Finance?

Not always, I never really had an idea of what I wanted to do as a career; I had looked at forensics at University but didn't want to commit to it unless I was 100% sure. But when I came across an apprenticeship in finance and read what it would entail — I knew it was what I should do.

What is your typical day like?

My typical day involves sending purchase orders to the school's suppliers, responding to outside users of the schools facilities, helping teachers with any work that they may not have much time for and answering the finance

office hatch, whether that includes taking in money for school trips or just general queries that any students may have.

What is your favourite part of the job?

I would say that my favourite part of the job is when I am challenged, when I am set new tasks and I may not know much about it but I have to step up and prove to myself that I can do it.

What were your favourite subjects at school?

At school I was really interested in maths, science and history – which is good considering the field of work I am in now.

What do you do outside school, what are your hobbies and interests?

I am really into football – I go to the matches every now and then and I also play it quite frequently.

What are your ambitions for the future?

My main focus is to learn as much as I can and as fast as I can, to help me progress in my career – and as a person. Currently I am doing my AAT qualifications as part of my apprenticeship, I hope to carry this on and take more responsibility in the workplace.

Do you have any family?

I do. I have three sisters - two I live with, I also live with my mum and dad. I also have 5 dogs and 2 cats.

What piece of advice would you give Tytherington students for the future?

Having been a student recently, I would say that if you don't know what you would like to do in the future, have a look around – try new things, you never know what will catch your eye or what you'll be good at until you try it.

STUDENT PARLIAMENT GRILL LOCAL COUNCILLORS



On Thursday 16th March members of the Student Parliament met with Councillors Adam Schofield and Neil Puttick who talked about the organisation and work of Macclesfield Town Council. The students had the opportunity to express views on issues affecting the local area and how improvements could be made. Students also guizzed the councillors on their political views and on local issues such as the Bollington Bus campaign and Fair Funding for Cheshire East schools. Student Parliament members will be attending the Macclesfield Youth Summit at the Town Hall on Thursday 30th March.

ALICE LANGSTON VISITS KENYA 8NC



In February, myself and my Dad travelled to Kenya. We did many amazing and unforgettable things, such as go on safari.

However, most of our week was spent visiting schools (primary and secondary), particularly St. Francis Secondary School, Lare. We spent a day and a half there. My Dad remembered the school from his visit around 5 years ago, but it was all new for me.

One of the first things I noticed was how disciplined they all were, for example, whenever me and Dad walked into a classroom they were absolutely silent. They greeted us with a whole school assembly, which consisted of numerous speeches, cadet march and a dance. We taught each year group, in Kenya they call them forms, about Dad's job, which is to help young people get into employment. We were shocked by how ambitious they were. When we asked how many of them wanted to go to university, they all raised their hands.

The children were very lucky to go to St. Francis Secondary School, because it got the best exam results in the area, and also because the conditions were outstanding; there was running water, a football field and breakfast and lunch were provided, which can definitely not be

said for some of the other schools we visited. In one school, we walked into a classroom and there was an enormous hole in the roof. I was shocked.

We are now forming a partnership between Tytherington School with St. Francis. This will allow us to learn from each other, share letters and hopefully skype each other. Dad and I are going to teach some lessons about Kenya. St. Francis, its students and staff are inspirational. I hope that some teachers will be able to visit St. Francis and some of their staff will be able to visit us here in Macclesfield. Hopefully, I will go back out there in a couple of years with my Dad and other students from the school. In the meantime, I keep in touch with them through Whatsapp. They may not all have electricity in their homes, but many have mobiles.

CAMBRIDGE UNIVERSITY VISIT



On Friday 10th March, a group of Year Ten, Eleven and Twelve students took part in a workshop led by Aemilia McDonnell, the Fitz-william College Cambridge Liaison Officer, who comes to Tytherington every year to talk to students who feel that they might be interested in considering making an application to Oxford or Cambridge Universities.

Year Ten students were given a general introduction to university life in addition to some information about life in Cambridge, and Year 11 and 12 students were given detailed information on what it is really like to study at Cambridge and what you need to do to apply.

The buildings in the photos in Aemilia's presentation captured the hearts of many students, as did the idea that if they were suc-

cessful in getting a place, they would be working with professors renowned for their expertise in some cases across the world.

Here are some of the reactions from the students:

- 'It was really interesting I've always wondered what life at Oxford and Cambridge would be like.'
- 'I think I would love working in the academic environment and really getting into my subject'
- 'The buildings look amazing like Hogwarts!'
- 'The idea of being at the forefront of leading scientific research really excites me'
- 'After listening to Aemilia this morning, I definitely feel encouraged to apply. If I don't, I will never know whether or not I could have got in and may always regret not just having had a go.'





vic award winners honoured

MACCLESFIELD Council's Civic Awards have recognised people's extraordinary contribution to the life and services of the town.

Elizabeth Hudson won an arts and culture award for her work with Macclesfield Youth Brass

Band, while there were community awards for Sheila King for her commitment to East Cheshire Hospice and Trevor MacKay for his civic and community work.

James Alexander and Tom Smith received youth awards for their voluntary work with charity Space for Autism, while charities Streetwise and Reach Out And Recover (ROAR), were celebrated for their services to the community.

The sporting achievement award went to sailor Hannah Bristow, who has represented Macclesfield at both national and international level.

Meanwhile Beryl Footman and Ron Gill were presented with lifetime achievement awards for dedicating their lives to Macclesfield.

Pete Turner, clerk of the council, said: "This year's winners have all gone that extra mile to help others and serve their community and we are very privileged to be able to take the opportunity to recognise their achievements.

AEROBICS AT PUSS BANK PRIMARY SCHOOL

On the 15th March a number of Sports Leaders led a charity aerobics day at Puss Bank Primary School. The students planned and delivered 20 minute sessions to combined years 3/4 and 5/6 classes of up to 50 students. The students who led the sessions were:

Katie Barber Lexie Clarke Shaunagh Goostry Libby Denton Cleo Heapy Rachel Howard Olivia Kewney Tai Mellor Ruby Stafford **Amy Williams** Caitlin Hunter



A FORTNIGHT ON TWITTER!



Tytherington School @TytheringtonSch - Mar 16 A pledge from our safeguarding team for National CSE Awareness Day! #HelpingHands #CSEDay2017





Tytherington School @TytheringtonSch - Mar 15

Well done to the Yr8 Sports Leaders who led Aerobathon sessions with Yr3/4 & Yr5/6 pupils at Puss Bank this afternoon. #leadership #aerobics





Tytherington PE @tytheringtonPE - Mar 13 Well done to those students who took part in the @RCMaccCastle Swimathon last night. #charity





Tytherington School @TytheringtonSch - Mar 16 Year 7 Upcycling Team ready for battle!!





Tytherington School @TytheringtonSch · Mar 14 Great to see Year 5, 7 & 9 students working so hard in their music workshop .#Tytheringtontransition



A FORTNIGHT ON TWITTER CONTINUED...



Tytherington School @TytheringtonSch - Mar 17 Thanks to @Space4Autism for taking Ash House assembly. Students are learning about Autism on the run up to World Autism Awareness





Tytherington PE @tytheringtonPE · Mar 16 Thank you to the Tytherington Sports Leaders who helped run the County Volleyball finals today! @SSPmacc @YourSchoolGames #leadership





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