



*Dear Tytherington Families,*

It is great to be able to report to you about the fantastic events over the last fortnight. In this week's edition :

- Nearly a hundred students were involved in Takeover Day on Friday 18th November
- The Tytherington School Community came together to commemorate Remembrance Day
- Our swimming Team raised money in a Swimmathon organised by Macclesfield Lions
- Students raised money for Children in Need
- A student profile from a student with a passion for fishing!
- We were visited by Dr Jon Herbert from the University of Keele who gave us his analysis of the recent US Election.
- Our debating team advanced to the regional round of the English Schools Union Debating Competition at Altrincham Boys Grammar School.
- Record numbers of Year 11s are attending our Exam Preparation lessons...oh, and we had a visit from Ofsted! I am not allowed to reveal what the official outcome is until Ofsted have quality assured their report at HQ. What I will say is that the school community will be very pleased and proud of what Ofsted say about the quality of education provided. We expect the full report to be available in two weeks.

**As part of Takeover Day, the Senior Leadership Team were taken over for the day**



## **BOLLINGTON BUS UPDATE—YOUR RIGHT OF APPEAL!**

If you have been affected by the Local Authority's decision to stop the free bus service from the Bollington Area please be aware of your right of appeal. You must make sure that you do this within 20 working days of having received the notification letter from the Local Authority. Please make sure you follow this link:

[http://www.cheshireeast.gov.uk/public\\_transport/school\\_transport/review\\_or\\_lodge\\_an\\_appeal.aspx](http://www.cheshireeast.gov.uk/public_transport/school_transport/review_or_lodge_an_appeal.aspx)

You may also find the link in this flow chart of use:

[http://www.cheshireeast.gov.uk/PDF/Review\\_and\\_Appeals\\_Process\\_Flowchart.pdf](http://www.cheshireeast.gov.uk/PDF/Review_and_Appeals_Process_Flowchart.pdf)

As you may be aware, we are currently campaigning to secure an extraordinary meeting of the local council to review the decision. Watch this space!

## TYTHERINGTON SCHOOL IS TAKEN OVER!!!!



### Takeover Day at Tytherington School!

Enthusiasm rocked Tytherington School as students once again took over their teachers' and other staff roles for National Take Over Day. On Friday 18th November, nearly 100 students worked alongside teaching and support staff, including the Headteacher. Many of the roles students took on included opportunities to develop leadership skills such as public speaking, time management and collaboration. Students from all over the school took part in various roles including PE teacher, Receptionist, Deputy Headteacher and Caretaking roles.

David Rutley MP paid a visit to the school to congratulate Tytherington on their record GCSE and A-Level results. He met with the Student Parliament and answered a range of questions including his role in fighting the proposed closure of Macclesfield Hospital's A&E Department to plans for the regeneration of Macclesfield Town Centre. David Rutley MP said: "It's great to visit Tytherington School once again. I was impressed to see how the staff and pupils embrace Takeover Day. It's further evidence of the school's positive culture and the way it is helping pupils realise their potential".

Two students took over the role of Headteacher, Emmanuel Botwe, for the day. One of the students, Grace Hough in year 7, said that the experience had "really given her an opportunity to see how the school works". Another student taking over her job, Alfie Hill in Year 8, expressed that the day had enabled him to "really appreciate the work of teachers that goes on behind the scenes".

Headteacher, Manny Botwe, said: "As an ambitious school, we are not afraid to give youngsters a chance to take on real leadership experiences. We were delighted by how staff and students engaged with the day. We will run two further Takeover Days this year."



# TAKEOVER DAY IN PICTURES





## TYTHERINGTON SCHOOL REMEMBERS



Ninety-eight years after the guns ceased firing on the Western Front during the First World War, Tytherington School fell silent on Friday morning to remember our fallen soldiers. A special bell rang at 11am and the school joined together to observe a two-minute silence. The commemorative event was led by students in our school who are members of the cadets. They were allowed to wear their cadets uniform during the day as a mark of respect. The school community joined them at the front of the school just before 11am to hear The Last Post being played by members of the school band.

Cadet Love-Goulden (Year 8), Lance Corporal Keeler (Year 11) and Cadet Lonyon (year 11) were given the special honour of lowering and raising the Union Jack.

*Tytherington School was also represented at the Bollington Remembrance Parade. The students who attended were Ruby Parker, Leila Pengally and Lennon Roberts (all pictured).*





## TYTHERINGTON DEBATERS ADVANCE TO NEXT STAGE OF NATIONAL DEBATING COMPETITION



The Tytherington School Debating Team progressed through to round two, the regional round, of the English Speaking Union schools' Mace debate. Rhian Brown and Joel Wattis won their match against Urmston Grammar School on Tuesday 15th November held at Altrincham boys grammar. The Tytherington team proposed the motion that performance enhancing drugs should be permitted in sport. Emmanuel Botwe, Headteacher, said: "It is a fantastic achievement. I competed in this competition when I was at school and I know how difficult it is to progress to the regional rounds. We are developing students oracy in the school and this sets a great example to others. Well done to Rhian and Joel."

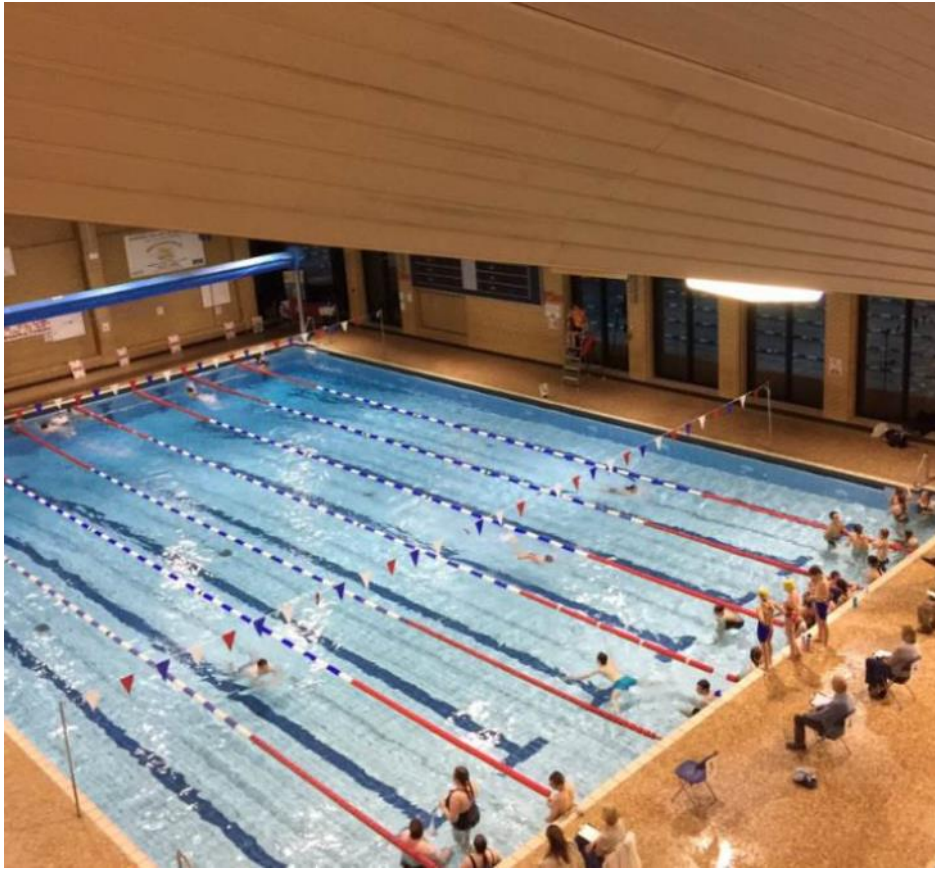
## US ELECTION DEBATE AT TYTHERINGTON SCHOOL



Students at Tytherington School were treated to a special US Election lecture from Dr Jon Herbert, Director of Teaching and Learning at Keele University and Lecturer in US Politics. The masterclass unpicked the key discussion points from the recent US Presidential Election. The audience ranged from our relatively new Year 7s to year 13 Politics students.

Manny Botwe, Headteacher, said: "As a school we are very keen to provide our youngsters with an opportunity to discuss and make sense of an ever-changing world. We are very grateful to be working in partnership with Dr Jon Herbert from Keele University."

## CHARITY ROUND-UP



### **Tytherington Swimmers take part in Swimmathon!**

Several students took part in the Macclesfield Lions Swimarathon on Sunday at Macclesfield Leisure Centre. The objective was to swim as many lengths (1 length being 50m) as possible a team within a 45 minute period. From the pictures team one did 44 lengths, team two 55.5 lengths and team three 46 lengths. The money the students raised will go to BBC Children in Need.

## FRIENDS OF TYTHERINGTON SCHOOL (FOTS)

The Friends of Tytherington School (FOTS) continue to support school fundraising and there's some new information about us on the school website; you'll find it under the 'Parents' tab. [www.tytheringtonschool.co.uk/parents/friends-of-tytherington-school](http://www.tytheringtonschool.co.uk/parents/friends-of-tytherington-school) Do take a read if you'd like to get involved; we really do need new people to come forward to help. And if you don't have much time available, you can still do your bit by joining the FOTS Lottery. Full details, including how to join, are on the website.

We'll be running the bar at the Christmas Market next Friday. Do come and support what looks set to be a great evening. Back in July the FOTS bar at the school production 'Back to the 80s' raised over £600, which we were pleased to donate straight back to the drama and music departments for equipment to make future productions even more spectacular. Similarly, two year 13 students, Alex Holt and Jack Staniland, helped FOTS raise £120 for school by running the refreshments stall at a summer Rubiks Cube weekend. We are extremely grateful for their efforts.



## YEAR 10 EMPLOYMENT READINESS PROGRAMME

Twelve students from our Year 10 ERP visited Barclays Radbroke Hall technology centre on 11th November as part of their role in the Macclesfield Pledge initiative.

Radbroke is Barclays centre for technological development including its 'command' centre where the bank keeps a global watch on financial security issues that may affect its customers. Tytherington's ERP students visited the digital fraud department, the ATM development laboratory and also the digital App development programme.

Students also attended a forum on the development of technology and the huge expansion in career opportunities at Barclays and in the technology sector. Speakers included under 25s who had joined Barclays from varying academic backgrounds and routes to pursue a career in tech development.



## KEY STAGE 4 GCSE REVISION ALREADY UP AND RUNNING

Congratulations to the several Year 10 and 11 students who have been regularly attending GCSE revision classes. The earlier students start revising, the better they will do in exams. Please make sure you keep visiting the Key Stage 4 microsite to find out what's on in Key Stage 4:

<http://www.tytheringtonschool.co.uk/parents/ks4-micro-site/>



## YEAR 8 ADVANCED LEARNERS PLAN IT CHALLENGE FINALE

After 10 weeks of hard work, 22<sup>nd</sup> November was Assessment Day for the students who had been taking part in the RHS Green Plan It Challenge. The brief was to design either a community or school garden and Tytherington School had two teams of 6 entered. Each team were given an expert mentor to help and advise them. The Badgers team's Mr Hugh Bunting, Landscaping and Habitat Manager at Manchester Airport, and the Cabbage Patch Kids' Mr Tony Jones, Plantarea Manager at Notcutts Woodford Garden Centre came into school to advise the students. We also spent a morning at the Garden Centre courtesy of Tony.



Each team had to come up with a design, build a model, write a report, create a display and then, on the Assessment Day, present their design to a team of judges.

The Badgers Team chose to design a garden for the community situated in Victoria Park in Macclesfield. Their BFG garden had a flower as its main feature with each 'petal' designed by a different member of the team e.g. the Japanese Garden, Bug Hotel Garden. Surrounded by trees and seating, the idea was to provide a calm area in a busy park.

The Cabbage Patch Kids designed a garden based on the school garden. Wharton's Wilderness had a cycling theme in memory of Guy Wharton with a 'river' of blue plants and flowers running through it and fruit trees. The garden also incorporated an outdoor learning space so that it could be used by students. The paved pathway guaranteed accessibility for all.

On the day, each of the 12 teams had to give a 5-minute presentation to the judges and then was asked questions about their design. I felt immensely proud that the students were able to stand and discuss their design for 15 minutes. No mean feat for a group of Year 8 students!

And the result? The Badgers team won the Pupils Choice Award, voted for by the other teams and the Cabbage Patch Kids were just pipped to the overall prize, with the judges commenting on how well thought out their design was, the impressive display and their knowledge. They lost out by two or 3 points!



Congratulations on such a fantastic achievement goes to the teams;

Badgers: Fran Curtis, Lilia Almanza Torres, Myles Corn, Tom Collins, Tom Roberts and Rowan Ledbury.

Cabbage Patch Kids: Charlotte Higgins, Eloise Gouldbourn, Alfie Taylor, Aiden Simpson, Eva Loch Donou and Beatrix Haigh.



## STUDENT IN PROFILE: HARVEY ALCRAFT YEAR 9

Every year Anglers Paradise has a week where they net some of the lakes and do lots of things to raise money for different charities. This year we were invited to attend this annual netting week, and helped to raise money for the local church in Halwill, Devon air ambulance, local primary school and Plymouth church.

### **Netting of Easy Access lake**

The water level gets lowered over a few days then on Monday 31<sup>st</sup> October so we can net it and remove all the fish and put them in stock ponds.

On the day, people wearing wetsuits or waders, drag a long net around the lake. The net has lead on the bottom so it can dig into the bottom of the lake and trap fish, and the top of the net has big floats on it to stop fish swimming over the top. As the net is dragged around the lake the fish are caught in the middle and then both ends of the net meet up and the fish get collected in a circle of net. The net is then gathered and brought to the edge of the water where the fish can be put into large cloth sacks or nets and passed up the bank, by a line of people. When the fish are at the top of the bank they get sorted into species, and sizes and put into large bins which then get taken to the stock ponds and the fish get put back into the water.

The lake was very silty at the bottom and it was hard getting the net around the lake as it got stuck in the deep silt. The net had to be pulled around 3 times to get all the fish out. Once the water level is very low, the net cannot be dragged around anymore and people have to go into the emptied lake to rescue any fish which might be left.



Once all the fish have been removed and put into stock ponds, Anglers Paradise workers and a few helpers walk over to the islands which are in the lake and start cutting back trees and plants as well as collecting any rubbish or lost and broken fishing tackle which people have dropped or thrown in the lake.

On Wednesday 2<sup>nd</sup> November 2 diggers arrived and drove into the empty lake, they scooped out all the extra silt and put it into a silt trap which had been made next to the lake. The diggers then landscaped the inside of the lake to make new features like trenches, holes and mounds which fish like.

Over the next few weeks the lake will slowly be refilled with water from other lakes and from natural streams that run across the land, once the water level is high enough all the fish will be returned from the stock ponds and the lake will be ready to fish again.

I asked some of the workers at Anglers Paradise why the lakes needed netting and this was the answer:

*"It enables us to manage our stock effectively. Checking on the health and growth of the fish stocks and it allows us to monitor how well the fish breeding is progressing. This lake has not been netted for over 11 years and the carp stock has increased a lot. We have netted well over 600 carp today as well as many other types of fish. Some of these fish today will never have been caught, and will have grown in this lake from birth."*





COME ALONG TO OUR  
**CHRISTMAS  
MARKET**

**FRIDAY 2<sup>ND</sup> DECEMBER 2016, 6-8PM**

**Christmas Stalls 🌿 Winter BBQ 🌿 Mulled wine**

**Bottle tombola 🌿 Chocolate tombola**

**Christmas carols 🌿 Meet Father Christmas**

**Raffle 🌿 Craft Stalls 🌿 Winter Games**

**plus Funfair Attractions**



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