Dear Tytherington Families,

It was great to welcome the next generation of Tytherington students who visited us for the Information Evenings. We look forward to them returning for their Taster Days next week and officially starting with us in September. The rising Year 7 will be our largest year group as the number of families who selected us increased by over 40 students. Its onwards and upwards for the future. In this edition:

- Tytherington PE teachers nominated for prestigious University Mentors of the Year Award
- Tytherington School named Silk FM School of the Week!
- Year 9 students take part in the IBM "Think IT" day
- Tytherington hosts the Macclesfield Primary School Debating Festival
- Nominations for ROSE Awards
- Relaunch of our Parents of Tytherington Group (POTs)
- Details of our new Electives Programme for the next academic year
- Details of finalised term dates for next year. We have added an additional INSET Day on Friday 19<sup>th</sup> January 2018 for Key Stage 3 moderation and assessment.

## RELAUNCH OF OUR PARENTS OF TYTHERINGTON GROUP

The Parents of Tytherington School is a new organisation which is launching in September. It will be the official parents organisation for the School.

The group is an independent set of parents, carers, staff and supporters from the local community wishing to offer appropriate support or help to the school.

We want to work together to provide the best we can for the students of Tytherington School.

The group is relaunching as the majority of the current members of the "Friends of Tytherington School" need to stand down either due to other commitments or their children no longer attending Tytherington School. Therefore, it is important to continue the good work they have started and re-establish a fantastic group of people to work together.

The group will not only raise funds for school but will also hold regular social events.

In recent years, our parent group has raised thousands through events such as the Christmas and Summer Fairs. The money has then been used to support a number of important school causes such as equipment for our Music Department and special awards for students.



We are looking for new parents and carers to join, particularly those from our rising year 7 cohort.

If you are interested, please e-mail info@tytheringtonschool.co.uk

## THIS WEEK IN PICTURES!



Congratulations to the Yr7 team who finished in 1st place in the Macclesfield "Quads Kids" competition.



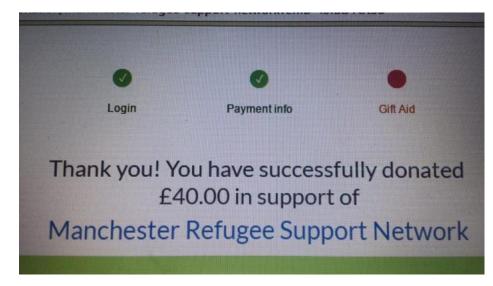
Great to see the Year 9 Advanced Learner Readers Club up and running!





Congratulations to Ava (left) & her dance partner, both finalists when competing in the World Dance Championship in the Tower Ballroom, Blackpool!

Year 8s take over Knowsley Safari!



Well done to the Feminist society. They held another film night, watching a documentary about media sexism and all the money raised has been donated to Manchester Refugee Support Network.

## PE STAFF NOMINATED FOR UNIVERSITY MENTOR OF THE YEAR AWARD



Congratulations to Mr Fitzsimmons and Mrs Rimmer who have both been nominated for the Liverpool John Moore's University 'Subject Mentor of the Year' award for their work supporting trainee teachers in the P.E department this year.

Nominated by our current P.E trainees, the award recognises that hard work Mr Fitzsimmons and Mrs Rimmer have put into supporting our trainees: helping plan lessons, providing feedback from observations and giving much needed moral support!

Mr Spinola and Mr Henshall, our P.E trainees, have both been very complimentary about the quality of training and support they have received throughout the year. In his end of year evaluation, Mr Spinola thanked the department for their "Advice, guidance and timely and effective support", and praised the P.E department's "Friendly, welcoming and supportive atmosphere and highly knowledgeable mentors".

Thanks to both Mr Fitzsimmons and Mrs Rimmer for giving our trainees the best possible start to their careers. The awards ceremony takes place on the 30<sup>th</sup> June and we are hoping for two very well deserved wins!

## YEAR 10 SPEECH DAY



On Wednesday 28th June, the Year 10 had their first ever Speech Day. The Year 10s delivered impressive the speeches throughout the day. Students rose to the challenge and surpassed themselves. Speeches ranged from Islamophobia to the importance of voting and educational reform. There was even a speech on the great debate of McDonalds versus Subway (!). All students demonstrated a mature, thoughtful and conscientious effort. Well done to all.

# UNIFORM EXCHANGE/REPLACEMENT SCHEME—MR PILBURY

I am writing in order to raise awareness of an initiative that we would like to introduce in order to provide support to our school community.

Having two daughters who seem to grow an inch or two overnight at times, the issue of providing and replacing school uniform for them is something that I am very personally aware of. I am presently finding that I have a range of school shirts, dresses and skirts (even a pair of school shoes) that are in perfectly good condition but do not fit any longer, and it seems a great waste. I have therefore donated them to my daughters' school so that they may be recycled and given to other families in the school community that find themselves in the same position.

This is something that I am sure would be a great support to us all, as parents. I would therefore like to ask that if you have any item of uniform that has been grown out of or no longer required, but is in perfectly good condition, could you bring/send them into Tytherington School's Reception so that we may begin to provide a uniform exchange/replacement scheme for the school community?

I hope that through kind donations allowing us to begin to build a stock, we can provide this service for all members of the school community.

## PLEASE JOIN THE SCHOOL LOTTERY

Friends of Tytherington School run a lottery (it used to be called the 500 club). ALL proceeds go to benefit YOUR children, but we also give a percentage back to lottery members as cash prizes. Tickets cost £1 per month and, whilst you can join at any time, you must join for a minimum of one year (costing £12). Lots of current members have more than one ticket; e.g. £2 or £5 per month.

Three lottery prizes are drawn each month. 1<sup>st</sup> prize is 25%, and 2<sup>nd</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> prize each 10%, of the total monthly ticket sales. Currently we sell about 140 tickets each month, so monthly prizes are £35 (1<sup>st</sup>) and £15 (2<sup>nd</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup>). Prize winners are notified by email and can choose to receive their prize by electronic bank transfer or by cheque in the post. There's also the option to reinvest your prize into school funds.

Recent lucky prize winners are:

April 2017; £35 Christine Haigh, £15 David Lomas, £15 Julie Alexander May 2017; £35 Su Taylor, £15 Carol Leonard, £15 Christine Cooke

There are two easy ways to join the lottery and there are no forms to print off/fill out:

- If you do electronic banking set up a Standing Order from your account to the FOTS account to pay you monthly lottery fee. To set this up, just send an email to <a href="tythy.fots@gmail.com">tythy.fots@gmail.com</a> and we will email you our account number and sort code.
- Send a cheque into the school finance office payable to Friends of Tytherington School. If you want one ticket per month make it out for £12. For more numbers make your cheque out for more (e.g. £24, £36 and so on). Please write FOTS lottery on the back of your cheque, and include with it your name, address and an email address.

At present, just 40 families support the lottery. It would be wonderful to increase the membership, and that would mean bigger prizes too!

Thank you from Jane and the rest of the FOTS team.

# PE UPDATE



Tytherington's keen tennis players were given a fantastic opportunity to attend a professional tennis event and participate in some top quality coaching this month. The Northern Lawn Tennis Club invited 15 students from Tytherington to attend the AE-GON Women's ITF Pro-Circuit event where, on arrival they received an hour's tennis coaching. Students got to play mini games and see how fast they could serve using a speed gun! Following the coaching session, our students were lucky enough to watch a women's match on grass between two players ranked in the top 200 in the world.

The U13's cricket team Cheshire Schools cup run ended at the quarter final stage as they were elimi-

nated by Lymm in a close game. Impressive bowling from Alasdair Spray and Aaron Willis restricted Lymm to 81/7, however, we came up 10 runs short with Haydn Keogh top scoring with 17. The team will be looking forward to the

Macclesfield Schools Cricket Cup held on the 5<sup>th</sup> and 12<sup>th</sup> July.

It has been a busy couple of weeks for our Sports Leaders. Last Wednesday they helped run the Macclesfield and District Primary Schools Cricket finals at Macclesfield Cricket Club with over 130 primary school children taking part. The leaders umpired, scored matches and helped coach the teams. Cheshire Cricket Board Development Officer Andrew Jackson commented 'the Tytherington students have been fantastic, their knowledge and leadership contributed to a great day'.





On Friday 22<sup>nd</sup> June more Sports Leaders were in action helping to run Bollington St John's CofE Primary School Sports Day. The students helped make sure the track and field events ran smoothly by working with the younger students and the school were grateful for their help and expertise.

This Monday we took a number of students to Puss Bank to lead Aerobic sessions with classes from across the school. The leaders prepared routines to music and then delivered to a large group of appreciative students without any teacher support whatsoever!



## THINK IT EVENT BY MRS WALLIS

Think.IT is an event, run by IBM in conjunction with the University of Manchester, which aims to inspire girls aged 12-13 to continue studying Science, Technology, Engineering, Mathematics, and IT (STEMIT).

During the day, the students worked in small teams to design, market and pitch a new product which they presented to visitors from IBM and Manchester University in an expo at the end of the day

The students developed their teamwork and presentation skills through working with a team of pupils from different schools and presenting their

work to visitors. They also had the opportunity to learn how to use Node-RED, a visual tool for wiring the Internet of Things. This is an open source tool which the students can continue to use at home to develop their skills further.

Mrs Wallis took a group of Year 8 students. She said: "They were a credit to the school. I will be awarding a shed load (not entirely sure how many that equates to) of leadership points to all of them".

"We were one of three schools and our girls got stuck in, mixed fabulously with the other schools (Levenshulme and St Ambrose) and ended up coming out on top in every exercise. Although they were split up, 5/6 groups, when giving feedback, were led by a Tytherington student, confident to speak on behalf of the group. When mixed up again, all girls were interacting with those from other schools and trying to engage the other schools in conversation whilst diligently working with members of IBM to complete the set tasks."

Three girls won prizes at the event as part of their teams and all enjoyed their day. A couple of students deserve a special mention. Evie Hadfield - took the reins in her very quiet group early on, impressing university volunteers and Alice Langston - from the moment we got off the minibus she was quite ill, terrible migraine which led to a few bouts of sickness, yet she persevered and tried to get involved in the afternoon by helping judge the expo.

IBM were very impressed with the girls and their enthusiasm and leadership.





# TYTHERINGTON HOSTS MACCLESFIELD PRIMARY SCHOOL DEBATING COMPETITION

The Macclesfield Council Stellar Debating Tournament was hosted by Tytherington School. Last Wednesday, ten teams from five primary schools competed all day in the heats. Pupils were from Years 4 and 5.

They debated such topics as mobile phone use, vegetarianism and celebrity role models. The standard of debate was really high across the board, thanks to the hard work of the pupils and teachers. Student volunteers from Year 8 chaired and kept time too, stepping up responsibly and ensuring the debaters felt at ease. Four teams went through to the semi-finals, and at the time of going to press we don't yet know the winners!

Debating is an activity which encourages essential life skills such as critical thinking, the ability to think and respond under pressure, teamwork, and persuasive speech. The remarkable standard achieved by these youngsters will pave the way for future tournaments. It was a pleasure to lead the project.







#### GET YOUR ROSE AWARD NOMINATIONS IN!

As part of the Tytherington School rewards system that was introduced by the Student Parliament in September 2013 there is the termly opportunity to make a nomination of students, parents or staff of the school for a "ROSE Award".

You can nominate any student, parent or member of staff that is part of the school community and what you write in the nomination should clearly convey how the person has demonstrated the ROSE values of "Respect for Others, Self and the Environment". For example, you may want to nominate a person that has been of great support to another member of the school community or the school itself, someone that has made a great personal achievement in or out of the school, or someone whose actions have improved the environment of the school or local community.

If you would like to make a nomination complete please download the "ROSE Award Nomination Form". This can be found under Letters & Communications in the Parents section.

#### http://www.tytheringtonschool.co.uk/parents/letters/

The Student Parliament look forward to receiving your nominations and having the opportunity to judge which students, parents and staff will receive the awards for this summer term. The deadline for nominations to be made and returned to the school office is **Friday 14th July.** 

#### THE NEW THURSDAY AFTERNOON ELECTIVE SYSTEM!

Welcome to the new Electives System which will begin in the first term of 2017-18.

For several years, Tytherington School has finished early on Thursdays. We will be closing the school 20 minutes earlier on Thursdays only from September so that we will have more time for our new Elective Programme. Each Elective will last for at least one hour.

Electives is a programme of activities that fulfils our ambition to provide 'extra' provision for our students at Tytherington School. These electives are in addition to our existing range of extracurricular provision which will continue to run throughout the week.

It is expected that all students in Year 7 take part in the Elective Programme. It will be optional for all other year groups.



Learning and recreation activities take place within and beyond the school boundary. Staff and students work collaboratively with many other experts in our community. Developing this network of community links is intentional; students develop a range of skills, encounter new challenges and enhance their talents.

In order to encourage breadth of learning, the programme is organised within three categories. Students have the opportunity to make their choices from:

- Citizenship, Service, Enterprise and Leadership
- Curriculum and Cultural Enrichment
- Personal Leisure, Health and Well-Being

Please access our draft brochure on:

http://www.tytheringtonschool.co.uk/ElectivesProgramme/ElectivesBrochure.pdf

This brochure gives insight into our new offerings for 2017 – 18. In September, we will be providing students with a full up to date list of choices and any charges. Parents please be aware that in cases of financial hardship some support is available.

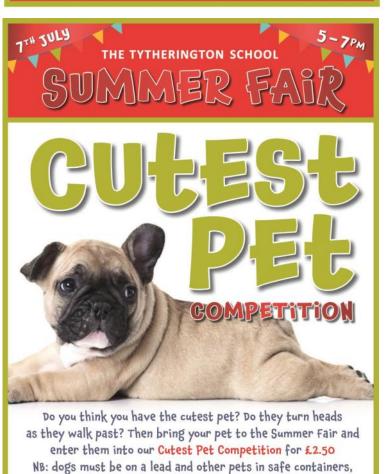


Tytherington School was named as Silk FM's Cheshire School of the week. This award was given in recognition of the exciting things happening in the school on a regular basis. Just this week we have: held the Macclesfield Primary School Debating Championship, held our rising Year 7 Transition Evenings, Year 11 and 13 Proms, Year 5 Open Mornings and sent our Year 8s to Knowsley Safari! We will feature on Silk FM throughout next week. We will be on a special Silk FM podcast as well on at 8.15am in the morning every week day next week.









(we do not want to lose any pets!)

58Q Sar Ice Creams Raffle Fairground Attractions Souncy Castle Pet Competition Chocolate & Sottle Tombola Tytherington Sake Off plus lots of games



# TERM DATES 2017— 2018

### Autumn Term 2017

Status	Date	Inset
Open	Tuesday 5 <sup>th</sup> September 2017 (for Years 7 and 13) Wednesday 6 <sup>th</sup> September 2017 (for all other years)	Monday 4 <sup>th</sup> September 2017
Close (last day of term)	Thursday 19 <sup>th</sup> October 2017	Friday 20 <sup>th</sup> October 2017
Half Term	Monday 23rd October – Friday 27 <sup>th</sup> October 2017	
Open	Monday 30 <sup>th</sup> October 2017	
Close (last day of term)	Wednesday 20 <sup>th</sup> December 2017	Thursday 21 <sup>st</sup> December
Christmas Holiday	Friday 22 <sup>nd</sup> December 2017 – Friday 5 <sup>th</sup> January 2018	

# Spring Term 2018

\*Please note we have introduced an additional INSET Date for Key Stage 3 assessment moderation to our originally advertised dates.

Status	Date	Inset
Open	Monday 8 <sup>th</sup> January 2018	
Close	Thursday 18 <sup>th</sup> January 2018	*Friday 19 <sup>th</sup> January 2018
Open	Monday 22 <sup>nd</sup> January 2018	
Close (last day of term)	Friday 16 <sup>th</sup> February 2018	
Half Term	Monday 19 <sup>th</sup> February – Friday 23 <sup>rd</sup> February 2018	
Open	Tuesday 27 <sup>th</sup> February 2018	Monday 26 <sup>th</sup> February 2018
Close (last day of term)	Thursday 29 <sup>th</sup> March 2018	
Easter Holiday	Friday 30 <sup>th</sup> March – Friday 13 <sup>th</sup> April 2018 (inclusive of Good Friday and Easter Monday)	

# Summer Term 2018

Status	Date	Inset
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Open	Monday 16 <sup>th</sup> April 2018	
Close (last day of term)	Friday 25 <sup>th</sup> May 2018	
Half Term	Monday 28 <sup>th</sup> May – Friday 1 <sup>st</sup> June 2018	
Open	Monday 4 <sup>th</sup> June 2018	
Close (last day of term)	Tuesday 24 <sup>th</sup> July 2018	Wednesday 25 <sup>th</sup> July 2018

**May Bank Holiday 2018** – Monday 7<sup>th</sup> May 2018 Holidays taken during term time will only be authorised in exceptional circumstances. Unauthorised holiday absence may be subject to a Fixed Penalty Notice (fine).

