



Dear Tytherington Families,

In the last fortnight, the students have exemplified our school strapline of being “an ambitious school at the heart of the community”.

Budding stage performers in key stage 3 were treated to a special comedy workshop from CBBC presenter Victoria Cook from Bollington. There was a poetry workshop for Year 7 students led by parent, Ailsa Holland, several Year 7 and 8 students also took part in the UK Maths Challenge, the Garden Project continues to grow from strength to strength, Josh Sains in Year 13 held a cinematic exhibition showcasing the different male and female stereotypes, and we were delighted to hear that former student, Izzy Christiansen, was named PFA Womens Player of the Year.

We also held the first of many yoga sessions to help students relax in the run-up to examinations. A massive well done to everyone associated with the school community.

Izzy wins player of the Year!

Former Tytherington School pupil, Izzy Christiansen, has revealed her delight after she was named PFA Women’s Player of the Year. Izzy is pictured on the right in her kit when she represented England Under 17s while at Tytherington School.

The Manchester City midfielder scored six goals in 14 appearances in the Women’s Super League last season, helping the team secure a second-placed finish and earn Champions League qualification.

Christiansen also paid tribute to those who have helped her reach this stage of her career. “I’m extremely proud and it still hasn’t sunk in yet. I’m delighted to have won such a prestigious award and I want to thank everyone that’s helped me get to where I am.” We look forward to welcoming Izzy back to Tytherington, so that she is able to inspire the next generation of footballers.



The School Photo is available for purchase!



The whole school and year group photos for Years 11 & 13 are now available to view online on the Tempest Groups website. Ordering takes place via the order forms which will be given to students. Instructions to find and view the school photographs are below.

Go to – www.tempest-groups.co.uk

Type the school name into the search box and select the event required.

Tytherington School's Gardening Project grows from strength to strength!



In September 2015 we told you about an innovative project at Tytherington School which aimed to convert a derelict piece of land into a new school garden. The scheme was called the Gardening Project and aimed to develop leadership as well as practical gardening skills amongst a group of Year 8s. We are pleased to report that the scheme continues to go from strength to strength!

The group of students have planted a range of different types of trees including apple, pear and plum trees. The students have also planted

gooseberry, blueberry, rhubarb and loganberry bushes. There is also a patch for potatoes, onions and garlic. The students have not just been planting. The Design and Technology department have also been creative by making compost bins, bird houses and benches from pallets donated by Travis Perkins. In the next week, the students hope to be planting peas, beans, carrots and lettuce. Across the rest of the term, the project hopes to be making a pond from a tractor tyre, making their own polytunnel. Next year, the group hope to create an area for livestock and an outdoor teaching space.



Head of Year 8, Emma Sandbach, said: "This is a brilliant project which has captured the imagination of several students. It's a great way to engage young people in looking after land".

Headteacher, Manny Botwe, said: "The students working on the project are developing their numeracy and literacy skills as well as leadership skills in a really practical way. They have had to pitch ideas to get funding from the Royal Horticultural Society as well as other local companies. We are really proud of what the students have achieved."

To find out more please visit Tytherington School's website at: www.tytheringtonschool.co.uk

A Day in the Life of the Headteacher

I'm often asked what I do all day, so last week I decided to compile a diary of events to share with you. Here goes!

7.15am—I try to get into school as early as I can. The school is quiet at this time, so it provides you with a good opportunity to answer your e-mails and plan the day ahead.

8am—**SLT briefing.** I meet with the senior leadership team at least 3 times in the week to plan for the events of the day. Please follow the link to find out who we all are: <http://www.tytheringtonschool.co.uk/information/senior-leadership-team/>

8.35am—**Teaching and Learning briefing**—I'm working with a small group of teachers on improving differentiation in lessons, so that all students can be stretched and challenged.

9am—**Meeting with the Governors and a Headteacher of an outstanding school.** The Headteacher spent a full day in school with governors to review our progress. They concluded that the school is a good school with an outstanding 6th form. Behaviour is very strong and students describe the school as "feeling like a family". The school is making rapid progress and should aim to be outstanding across the board in 12 months.

10.10am—**Headteacher Walk.** On most days, I set aside one hour a day to pop into as many lessons as possible. This helps me to 'take the temperature' of the school.

11.10am—11.30am—**Celebration Breakfast.** Every week, I see a group of students who have been nominated for excellent work or contribution to the school. This week there were 23 students nominated.

11.30am—12pm—**Meet with new students.** We have record numbers of students moving to us from local schools this year. Welcome to Christopher, Charlotte, Lydia, Shealin and Hollie who joined us this term from Fallibroome, All Hallows, Buxton High and Poynton High School.

12pm—**Pop in to see Year 7 Music** for their take on 1970s glam rock.

12.30pm—**Meeting with a group of local social enterprises** who want to work with the school.

1.30pm—**Lunch time duty.** Mr Bennett is being splattered with cream pies for charity.

2.20pm— **School tour for 3 prospective Year 5 parents**

3.20pm—**Meeting with Miss Pope,** Assistant Headteacher, to review key priorities for teaching and learning: making sure that the purpose of a lesson is clear to students, stretching students in key stage 3 and making sure that homework is meaningful.

4.30pm—**Meeting with Macclesfield Rotary Club.** Agree to commence "Student of the Year" competition as well as make sure that Year 10s and 13s have interview workshops next year.

5pm—**Catch-up on e-mails**

6pm— **Watch a fantastic Year 13 performance**

7.15pm—**Get home,** put the kids to bed just in time to see another disappointing Arsenal display.



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