Dear Tytherington Families,

What a busy fortnight it has been. We welcomed hundreds of families to our Open Day and Evenings, we celebrated European Languages Day which involved over 120 students from Park Royal School, we took part in an Indian Dance workshop with youngsters from Dean Valley and the Year 7 were involved in the Rope Race. Please enjoy this fun-packed edition of the Headteacher's Notes.

TYTHERINGTON SCHOOL CELEBRATES GRANDPARENTS DAY

We were delighted to welcome over 100 Grandparents on Thursday to school. The respective Grandchildren in Year 7 & 8 helped serve their grandparents afternoon tea, whilst they listened to a musical performance by Xabier Wilson and Effie Millar in Year 12. A special thanks to Mrs Woods who organised the event. It was a fantastic afternoon and we are looking forward to our Christmas event in December. Watch this space for more details!



TYTHERINGTON SCHOOL RACES TO FIRST PLACE IN THE MACCLESFIELD 5K

The Macclesfield Half Marathon and 5K race took place on Sunday 24th September. This great community event is run by the dedicated volunteers and members of the fantastic Macclesfield Harriers Athletic Club. There was a record total of 617 finishers in the Half Marathon alongside a record 314 finishers in the 5K race. Tytherington had a number of pupils, parents, teachers and governors taking part in the Schools Community Challenge 5k race. In the Community Challenge, the times of the five fastest runners count to determine the winning team. We had 25 people running for Tytherington. After some great individual runs, when the times were added up we claimed first place winning the Schools Community Challenge Cup for the first time. The five fastest runners were:

- 1. Robbie Peal finished in 3rd place overall with a time of 17:07 minutes.
- 2. Finn Proffitt finished in 4th place with a time of 17:08 minutes.
- 3. Lauren Robinson finished in 27th place with a time of 21:09 minutes.
- 4. Andrew Henshall finished in 33rd place with a time of 21:44 minutes.
- 5. Jake Bennison finished in 34th place with a time of 21:55 minutes.

Congratulations to all runners, officials, marshals, timers and volunteers that helped to contribute to a brilliant community event. Full race finish positions and further information can be found by visiting http://www.macc-half.co.uk/





A FORTNIGHT ON TWITTER



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Students and staff have been busy today raising money for @macmillancancer #charity





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Well done to the Year 10 Advanced Learners who visited Manchester Airport to pitch their artisan Cookie mix idea to the Dragon's Den

CHINESE TEACHERS GET A TASTE OF LIFE AT TYTHERINGTON SCHOOL



On Friday 22nd September, 15 teachers from China descended on Tytherington School to find out what life is like in a UK School. Tytherington School was selected because it is a high performing comprehensive school and the Chinese government are funding visits for teachers to find out more about creativity in the classroom.

The first part of the visit was a seminar hosted by Mr Botwe who gave an overview of the culture and structure of the English Secondary School system. The teachers then met with members of the School Parliament and were given an opportunity to ask students about life in the UK. After a student led school tour, the teachers from China then went to observe lessons. There was also an opportunity for the teachers to have a traditional fish and chips lunch with students in the Refectory.

Ms Sophia Sheng, who was the translator for the day, said: "We were absolutely delighted to be given the opportunity to visit Tytherington School. We would love to do it again. The teachers from China were fascinated with the way in which creativity is being allowed to flourish in the school."

Headteacher, Manny Botwe, said: "We are planning to develop Mandarin at Tytherington School and we currently have an application in with the Department of Education to support with the delivery of Mandarin next year. Fingers crossed! It is also part of our Electives Programme. Changes in the global geo-political landscape mean that we need to prepare our students for the future."

EUROPEAN LANGUAGES DAY



On Tuesday 26th September, Tytherington School came together to celebrate the annual European Day of Languages. As part of the celebrations, we were delighted to welcome 120 Year 5 & 6 pupils from Parkroyal Community School for a morning of language lessons and cultural activities. The pupils spent part of the morning learning Spanish, Japanese, Arabic & Russian and then got stuck into creative activities linked to that language. The pupils learnt about and created some amazing Faberge eggs, made their own Pinatas and had a go at practising their new Arabic & Japanese writing skills. Amanda Murphy from Parkroyal said "the pupils had a great time and were buzzing when they returned to school with all the new words and facts they had learnt".

The MFL department at Tytherington didn't stop there and during lunch put on a European food and activity market in the main hall. Students had the opportunity to sample delicacies such as Spanish Tortilla's and German Salami and also have some fun practising their written language skills on the languages word tree, which is now displayed in the library. The students also had lots of fun dressing up in Spanish Flamengo dresses, German hats and French berets in the MFL selfie booth! Mathis, a year 8 French native student from Alsace said "it was a great opportunity to show my friends the delicious food from my country and I enjoyed learning new words in other languages!".

Next stop for the MFL department was supporting Hollinhey Primary School with their languages day this week. Two members of staff and sixth formers will delivered lessons in French, Spanish, German and Arabic alongside Hollinhey staff. The department are now getting ready for the annual visit to Manchester Christmas Market and Aachen Christmas Market in Germany followed by three exciting trips in the new year to Paris, Spain and Berlin! Miss Roe (Head of Department) says "we have a long history at Tytherington of excellent results at GCSE and A -Level but also believe in providing students with as many opportunities as possible to immerse themselves in languages and culture. We are very excited to be starting a new programme of Mandarin lessons as part of our Electives Programme and look forward to seeing this new language grow at Tytherington!".





TYTHERINGTON STUDENTS WOW AT DANCE CHAMPIONSHIPS

Well done to Charlie Paddock, Ava and Honor Rowlands who too part in the national Dance Factor championships 2017 in Wales on Friday 29th Sept to Monday 2nd October

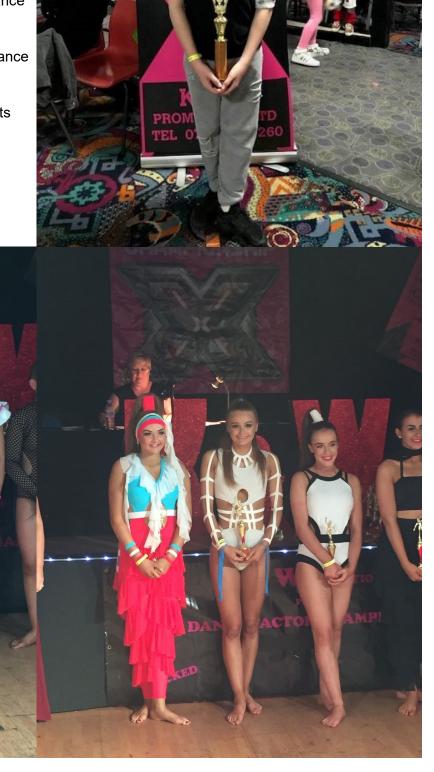
Charlie had some excellent results with two second places, a fourth and sixth place. He qualified for the grand finale and achieved a fantastic third place.

Ava and Honor Rowlands also competed in the the Dance Factor Championships in freestyle, contemporary and hip hop dance categories.

Honor came first in the under 14 starter Freestyle Dance Final and third in Hip Hop Final.

Ava came second in the under 16 starter freestyle Dance Final fourth in the adult championship pairs final.

They all had the best weekend competing, with results that reflected all their hard work and training.



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- **2. Details -** Please email your Name, Contact Number & payment reference to <u>financeoffice@tytheringtonschool.co.uk</u>
- **3. Sit Back -** Thats it! Once we've received your details we'll call you up to arrange your studio session and answer any questions you may have!

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ED MACKINTOSH WOWS IN KAYAKING NATIONAL CHAMPIONSHIPS

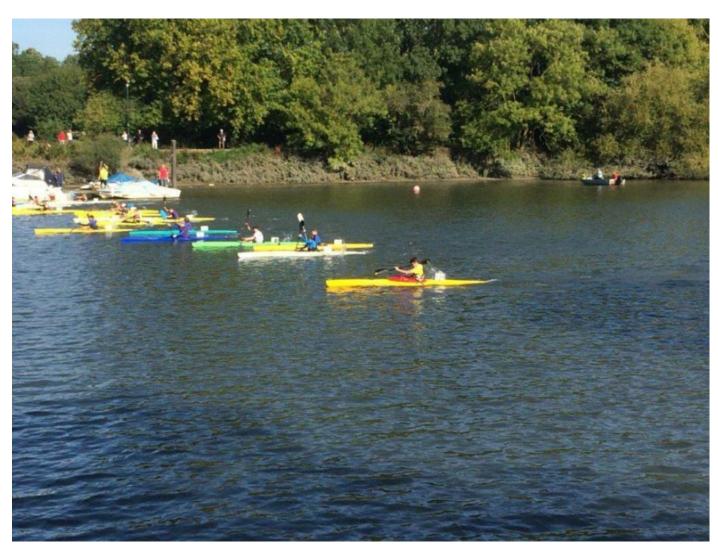
A fortnight ago, Eddie Mackintosh (8PE) took 4th place in a National Junior Kayak Event in London.

Eddie Mackintosh (8PE) represented Macclesfield and District Canoe Club at the National Clubs Marathon Racing Finals held on the River Thames in Richmond, West London on 24th September. Eddie participated in the 12 and under 3.5km race for junior racing boats called Lightnings. He was competing against 18 other rivals from around the country and finished a very creditable 4th in a time of 25.44 behind kayakers from Norwich, Wokingham and Cambridge.



Eddie met with Mr Botwe earlier this week and said: "I was inspired by the London 2012 Olympics. My aim is to represent Team GB in 2024 or 2028 Olympics." We wish him all the best.

The pictures show Eddie racing off from the start, closest to the camera and powering on around a turn in the course. Kayaking is a great activity and juniors are most welcome at the club. More details at http://madcc.btck.co.uk



INAUGURAL RUBIK'S CUBE COMPETITION

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We held our first Rubik's Cube competition last week. Ten students took part from Years 7, 8 and 9.

The world record for the fastest solve is 4.73 seconds recorded in 2016 in Melbourne, Australia. Students were asked to attempt 5 solves and the final score was calculated by averaging the solve



times of
each competitor. The
winner of the
competition
was Harry
Donohoe
(8AM) with
an average
solve time of
24.80 seconds (best
solve 19.97
secs). Our
runner-up

was Jack Bradney (7RC) with an average solve time of 27.11 seconds (best solve 19.61 secs). Well done to everyone who entered the competition! We will have our next competition in March 2018!

MOLLY JARRATT RAISES MONEY FOR MACMILLAN

Molly organised an incredible Coffee Evening at her home last Friday Evening. She baked some gorgeous cakes and planned/set up the whole event, raising a fabulous £300 for Macmillan. We are extremely proud of all her hard work for such an important cause. As a school we raised nearly £1500 for the great cause.





HISTORY GAMING PROJECT

The History department have been participating in a PhD study of the impact of gaming on challenging preconceptions with the University of Salford's Dr Juan Hiriart. Year 7 have been exploring their understanding of the Saxons and then using a role playing game to compare the myths with the realities. This has been a great opportunity to mix History with IT and game design as the next phase of this project will be our Year 7s submitting their changes and improvements to this History game.



ROPE RACE BY ANNA WILKIE, 7RB & ESTHER BIRD,7RB



This week Tytherington School's Year 7 classes went on a trip to Rope Race in Marple.

The forms from each house joined together and went for a day of adventure to bond and develop stronger relationships with their classmates.

Each day contained an action-packed timetable of indoor climbing, canoeing/kayaking, archery and teambuilding activities.

I enjoyed archery the most as it was fun watching how everybody did and you felt extremely proud with yourself when you did well.

Despite having a phobia of heights, the rock climbing activity was still great fun and when I was scared to let go, I could hear encourage-

ment from my team-mates underneath me and knew that I could do it.

The canoeing was a big hit; some of the classes got wet or fell/jumped in the canal, but came out smiling and walked back to the centre laughing.

Best of all though, was that, whatever happened nobody would laugh at you. The whole day was designed to help us get to know each other better.

Lucy Bardsley, a student who took part in the activities, said "Rope Race was really good fun and I'm really glad I went. Climbing was the most fun; it got my adrenaline flowing and I had to really trust my classmates".

We worked together in groups and although it was sometimes competitive, there was a real sense of achievement at the end of a jam-packed day. I knew I would go back to school more confident around my fellow form mates.

GARDEN OFFICIALLY OPENS



Since November 2016 students from Tytherington School in Macclesfield have been busy designing and creating their own dedicated garden space. Come rain or shine a devoted team of students have been learning skills to change the look and use of the expansive space to the rear of the school.

Following a visit to Groundwork's Community Garden site, Grozone, the students designed the layout and features they wanted from their own garden. The site now boasts a wide range of features including a 40 metre timber railed winding nature path, a range of upcycled planters made from tyres, bathtubs and broken music instruments, two large wooden compost bins, an outdoor seating area made from reclaimed timber, a greenhouse and polytunnel and a dedicated urban garden area.



To implement all of the changes, students had to learn practical skills in excavation, paving, pruning and joinery. Those involved in the project were led and guided by Groundwork tutors but the physical transformations are a result of the hard work from the students involved. The garden is now going to be used by students from across the school as a space to learn. With the covered indoor spaces it can be used all year round and the growing gardening club will be focusing on growing food that can be used within the school.

The project was funded with a Tesco Bags of Help Grant as well as support from Ansa Environmental Services. You can apply for a Bags of Help Grant here or to find out more about the work Groundwork do with schools and community garden spaces please contact Jon Hutchinson by email-

ing: jon.hutchinson@groundwork.org.uk

SIXTH FORMER BEN HART CREATES LEGO WEBSITE



Jonathan-Ben Hart 12CO -- Colour-Blind Lego

The definition of being Colour Blind is, "People with both red and green deficiencies live in a world of murky greens where blue and yellows stand out, and shades of brown, green, red and orange are easily confused."

From a young age, I always had a passion for building Lego. When I was 9 years old I was given the 10179, UMS Millennium Falcon as a Christmas present that was intended for ages of 16+ and it had over 5,000 pieces. I finished building it approximately a week later! The reason for the delay of 'the build' was that I couldn't distinguish some of the shades of the bricks, which led me to believe that I was Colour Blind. I was tested for Colour Blindness and this was confirmed.

As a result of knowing I was Colour Blind, I still wanted to pursue my passion for building Lego and this is where my idea came from. What if others had the same problem as me? At this age, I was unaware of the scale of how many people had the same problem as me. "In fact 4.5% of the world's population are Colour Blind."

I decided that due to this problem I would create booklets, labelling all the colours that are in them. So, at first I started with labelling up the Sopworth Camel (10226), since this had a lot of brown and greens, I had to get my dad to help me with some of them – and the 'brick sorting' with my mum.

The video can be found here - www.youtube.com/c/Wisiewig. In the description of the videos, it gives details of my Social Media and my Website - (https://wgghart123.wixsite.com/legocolourblind)

In the future we want to expand my business, and get into doing as many Lego sets as we possibly can. This will be a not-for-profit business, any profits we make, we will put directly into producing content and more people creating the content.

SIXTH FORMERS WIN THE QUEEN'S AWARD FOR VOLUNTEERING

Congratulations to Charlotte Roberts (10BY), Tallulah Howarth (11AB), Charlottee Davidson (13JD), Victoria Allen (13LW) and Saskia Hulme (13CJ/HO) who have been awarded the Queen's Award for Volunteering as a results of their work for the counselling service, Just Drop In. The students' volunteer work involved making resources and marketing for Just drop in.

Victoria and Saskia also played a lead role in the Managing Self-care health package which provides youngsters with emergency contact numbers and other items to help.





Did you know that from the 15th October the old £1 coin goes out of circulation?

Well we're asking you to donate your old £1 coins to Teenage Cancer Trust to support young people with cancer!



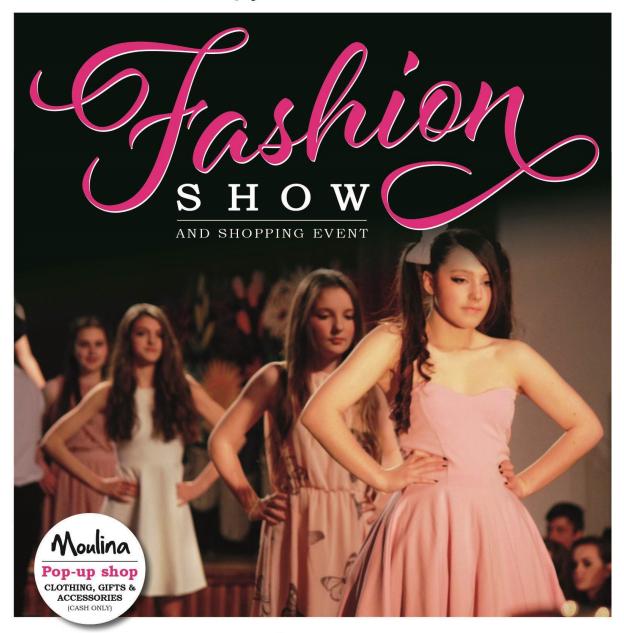
We're challenging schools, companies and community groups to build the **tallest £1 tower** or create the **longest £1 snake**, take photos during the week of the 9-15th October and share on social media with the hashtag

#TheFinalPoundDown

Search down those sofa's, turn out those pockets or empty those coin jars and make a difference!







Thursday 19th October, 7-9pm

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