



Dear Tytherington Families,

As per normal, it has been a fun-packed fortnight with several events happening across the school. In this week's edition:

- The Tytherington Sports Awards Evening
- The Advanced Learner Poetry Launch
- Dragon's Den
- A week at Tytherington School in pictures
- The visit of poet Mike Garry

Many thanks to all of you who came to the Parent Forum on Wednesday 23rd November. Please follow the link to view the slides, the feedback and the next steps <http://www.tytheringtonschool.co.uk/parents/information-evenings>. We will have a special reports on our Christmas Market and the Christmas Concert in the final letter of term. There will also be a special Ofsted report letter when we have final confirmation of publication date from Ofsted. I know you'll enjoy reading the report!



PE AWARDS EVENING

On Wednesday 30th November, the PE Department hosted their annual Sports Awards Evening. Nearly 100 students from across all key stages received awards for sporting excellence and dedication. There were awards for over 20 different sports played at Tytherington.

We were delighted to welcome back, ex-Tytherington student, Izzy Christiansen, who had just returned to the country having played an international in Holland! The PFA player of the year, who is a central figure in the all-conquering Man City double-winning Womens team, said that the key to sporting success was hard work and dedication.



Natalya Corn won the Outstanding Contribution to School Sport Award. Mrs Rimmer, Second in PE, said: 'Natalya works tirelessly in her academic studies, achieving high grades in her subjects and yet always finds time to play a great deal of sport in her own time. She never fails to take charge of organising teams for fixtures and offering to volunteer her time to help at a whole host of events such as primary festivals, sportshall athletics competitions and so many more. Natalya, along with a number of other Tytherington PE students were recently identified by the Macclesfield School Games Coordinator as being particularly proficient leaders and were hand-picked over all of the other Macclesfield schools to run a host of local events for both primary and secondary school children. Each task Natalya is faced with, she completes with a smile on her face and she is a huge asset to the department and the school. It gives us great pleasure to announce that the winner of the Outstanding Contribution to School Sport is Natalya Corn'.

Please follow the link to view the full award winners list <http://www.tytheringtonschool.co.uk/wp-content/uploads/2016/12/Sports-Award-Eve-2016.pdf>

POETRY AT TYTHERINGTON

In January of last year, a group of Year 10 Advanced Learners worked with the former Cheshire East Poet Laureate, John Lindley, to produce a range of poetry based on the issue of conscription. The project was launched by the East Cheshire Quaker Society along with John Lindley, who conducted poetry workshops in a number of schools across Macclesfield.

The outcome of the project is an anthology of poems written by Macclesfield students, many of them from Tytherington. The anthology is entitled "*Worn With Pride*" and it contains poems on the theme of war and its consequences. Our students had their poetry displayed in Macclesfield Library last February.

On November 29th, a celebration evening was held at All Hallows Catholic College to launch the poetry anthology. At this event, a number of students from local schools read some of their poems to an invited audience of parents and teachers.

Our school was excellently represented by Emily Griffen, who read her powerful and thoughtful poem entitled "*Peace?*" and Joanna Stephen who read her thought-provoking and defiant poem entitled "*I'm Strong, Not Afraid*". Both girls read their poems clearly and confidently, and were a credit to the school. John Lindley also read a poem by Harriet Terrington entitled "*When I Went To War*", because he felt it encapsulated many of the key themes and ideas of the collection and should definitely be included in the readings!

The evening culminated in the performance of a special piece of music, written by Taylor Giacomo and performed by a group of young singers. The piece was based on the poems in the anthology and was called "*Cowards*". The poems included in this piece of music were mostly written by Tytherington students, and included work by Vicky Wilson, Layla Sipi, Ben Maw and Brian McClintock, whose poem, "*Cowards*", gave the piece its title.

Our Advanced Learners have shown great talent and hard work to produce these poems, and will each receive their own complimentary copy of the anthology which they can place with pride on their bookshelves!

There will also be a copy in the school library for anyone who would like to read these fantastic poems.



DRAGON'S DEN

As part of a series of sales events, the entrance to terminal 1 departures was turned into a temporary Dragons Den market for the teams to sell their products. Tytherington's team 'Choccy Cups', raised £60 in sales plus donations raised for East Cheshire Hospice. The team will now present a final pitch in the Dragon's Den on December 12th at the airport Radisson Blu hotel.



A WEEK IN PICTURES



Many thanks to Mr David Liley and his Music Department for yet another wonderful Christmas Concert at St Michael's Church in Macclesfield. Over 100 students from across the school took part in a range of musical performances. We were treated to a vast array of solo and choir pieces. There was a great blend of traditional carol songs such as *Once in Royal David's City* to more modern pieces from the soulful Jazz Band.

Hundreds of staff, parents and members of the local community gathered to celebrate the start of Christmas. Please make sure you read our end of term Academy News to get a detailed report on the Christmas Concert.

A WEEK IN PICTURES CONTINUED...



A group of our students in Lower School enjoyed a trip to the Aachen Christmas Market.



Great to see the Peer Mentoring Literacy Scheme in action.



Students show their generosity donating to the Macclesfield Food Bank



Wonderful to welcome many of our partner primary students to the Creative writing Workshop led by author Jo Welch!



The year ten construction group visited Carillion.

POET MIKE GARRY VISITS TYTHERINGTON SCHOOL



The English Department was delighted to welcome Manchester poet Mike Garry on Wednesday, 7th December to share his poetry with a range of students from Year 7 to Year 13. Mike's poetry has won wide acclaim, and he delivered a number of exciting, enjoyable and thought-provoking workshops which left students (and teachers!) inspired to pick up the pen and compose a few lines!

Mike's poetry was accessible, gritty, entertaining and challenging, covering a range of topics which we could all relate to, but which also made us think about important issues that touch us all, and the importance and the power of language to celebrate and console.

I have thoroughly enjoyed putting together this week's edition.

Yours sincerely

Emmanuel Botwe
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Come and see what Tytherington Sixth Form has to offer on **Wednesday 18th January 2017** at our

Sixth Form Taster Day



EXTERNAL CANDIDATES WELCOME

Register for a place by Fri 16th Dec 2016. Contact Yvonne Harris, Sixth Form Administrator. Tel: **01625 610220** or email: YHarris@tytheringtonschool.co.uk

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