

# Trinity All Through School

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## WEEKLY NEWSLETTER

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Dear Trinitarians

Happy New Year. I hope you had a wonderful break making memories and feel refreshed for this term. We have had a terrific first week, pupils have arrived back at school in an exceptionally positive frame of mind and ready to focus on learning and progressing at school. At Trinity our pupils behave with consistently high levels of respect for each other. They play a highly positive role in creating our school environment in which commonalities are identified and celebrated, difference is valued and nurtured, and bullying and harassment are never tolerated. We have such an amazing school community.

Trinity had an INSET day on Monday, where all the staff came together to revisit our vision and to continue to develop our curriculum. Our curriculum plans and our methods of delivery are embedded securely and consistently across the whole school. Working across phase on our progression maps is crucial to ensure our pupils gain all the benefits from being a through school. As a result of our high expectations within the primary and secondary curriculum we have been able to become even more ambitious ensuring we are developing the knowledge and cultural capital our pupils need to succeed in life. Often pupils changing school have a dip in learning, as a through school we are able to push our curriculum further making sure the quality of education provided at Trinity is exceptional. We never sit still, and are always looking at ways from current research to further develop and improve what we do.

We have a packed term between now and Easter with many exciting trips, events and opportunities. Remember, at Trinity we really do push pupils to live life in all its fullness, to take on opportunities and to try new activities. We learn a lot about ourselves by having a go at different activities. We never give up at Trinity. Have an amazing week.

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LEARNING - LOVING - LIVING

**INFORMATION**

**PARENT FORUM**

SECONDARY SITE

Thursday 30<sup>th</sup> January

11h30

**UNIFORMS**

Remember **full uniform**  
must be worn at both sites.  
**Ties** must also be worn  
at all times across sites.

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## CHAPLAIN'S CORNER by Miss S. Alder

Welcome back everyone, it is great to see so many enthusiastic pupils who are ready and keen to learn. Over the next few weeks there will be some exciting announcements with events and services so keep tuned for those.

This half term here at Trinity we are focusing on the value of Knowledge and the importance of being knowledgeable and wise.

**Our Trinity memory verse is: To have knowledge, you must first have reverence for the LORD. Foolish people have no respect for wisdom and refuse to learn. Proverbs 1:7**

We looked this week at the importance of knowledge and wisdom and what knowledge might look like and how to be wise and use our knowledge to make the correct decisions. At both sites we looked at the parable of the Wise and Foolish man and we looked at what we can learn from Jesus' parables and how important they are in our lives. Over the coming weeks we will look at what knowledge and wisdom are and how we can become wise and how we can develop our knowledge and understanding of God.



*God of the Trinity Secondary School May our lessons light our learning and progress  
May we love our neighbours as ourselves,  
May we have courage to live good lives,  
So that we are outstanding Trinitarians.*



### REFlections By Miss S Alder



#### Spring 1

#### World Religions

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| Reception | What makes places special?  |
| Year 1    | Does celebrating Chanukah make Jewish children feel closer to god?            |
| Year 2    | Why do Muslims go to the Mosque?  |
| Year 3    | How can Brahman be everywhere and in everything?                              |
| Year 4    | Is it possible for everyone to be happy?                                      |
| Year 5    | How far would a Sikh go for their religion?                                   |
| Year 6    | What is the best way for a practicing Muslim to show their commitment to god? |
| Year 7    | What are the key Jewish beliefs?  |
| Year 8    | How do Muslims respond to global issues?                                      |
| Year 9    | GCSE – What are the key Islamic beliefs?                                      |
| Year 10   | GCSE – What are the key Islamic beliefs?                                      |
| Year 11   | GCSE – How do Muslims respond to questions of crime and punishment?           |

*This half term in RE at Trinity all year groups are learning about world religions.*

*Excitingly there are plenty of trips planned this half term to different places of worship.*

*The pupil development day at the secondary site this term will feature a unique experience for our year 7 students. They will be participating in a 'Religious Mapping of Lewisham' project where they will visit different places of worship in their local area and learn about their significance within the local community.*

*If you or your local religious community would like to contribute to either the 'Religious Mapping of Lewisham' project on our personal development day or our RE curriculum please email Miss Alder.*



# PRIMARY PHASE



Dear Trinity families,

I would like to take this time to wish you a very happy and successful new year. I hope you had a super Christmas break and feel well rested.

As we enter 2020 as a full Primary site, we have had a look at how our playground can be even more fun and safe. Have a look at the blog to see some of the changes we have made to provision at lunchtime to find out what we have done.

Please look out for this half term's new home learning log tasks, which you should receive by Wednesday next week, to help guide you on the types of learning and activities you can do at home with your child to support their new topic.

An early reminder that we have parents' evenings this half term on the 5<sup>th</sup> and 6<sup>th</sup> of February. Please look out for correspondence on this so you are able to attend.

As ever, I wish you the very best of weekends, full of rest and fun, ready for learning on Monday.

Head of School, Primary Phase  
Trinity all Through School



## AN EGYPTIAN YEAR 3 COOK OFF AT CHARTWELLS!

Last half term 3G got to visit Lewisham Training Kitchen and take part in a free cooking workshop offered to them by Chartwells and Compass Group

<https://trinityprimarylewisham.blogspot.com/2020/01/an-egyptian-year-3-cook-off-at.html>

## OUR PLAYGROUND AT LUNCHTIME

As we start the new year, we have been re-evaluating the playground and how we use the space during break and lunch times.

<https://trinityprimarylewisham.blogspot.com/2020/01/lunchtimes-at-trinity.html>



## LET'S GO FLY A KITE!

Before Half term, Year 4 made and flew their own kites on Blackheath!

<https://trinityprimarylewisham.blogspot.com/2019/12/lets-go-fly-kite.html>



## Character Corner by Miss Hanlon & Mr Morhen

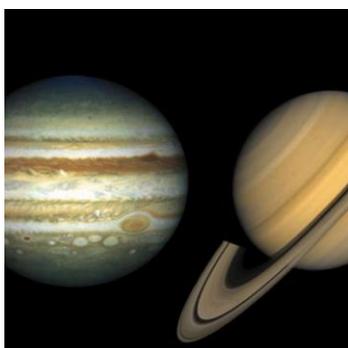


Foodies, street-art-lovers and gig-goers... don't miss **Leake Street Arches** near **Waterloo**, one of London's coolest hidden spots

**Leake Street Arches**, Leake Street Tunnel, Leake Street, Waterloo, SE1 7NN.

Admire the ever-changing street art as you walk through Leake Street Tunnel, the longest graffiti gallery in the capital. This free, open space allows artists to show-off their skills and creations – some of which last for months, days, or even only a couple of hours. The Leake Street Arches also hosts events including live music, live graffiti sessions and classes, alongside seasonal festivals and foodie pop-ups.

Calling all budding astronomers. Visit the **Young Astronomers Workshop at the Royal Observatory** this weekend. Get hands-on in these short drop in family workshops themed around space science and exploration, from the most recent discoveries about the Solar System to our latest understanding of the wider universe. The team of Observatory Explainers include those who are studying astronomy at degree or postgraduate level and can answer your burning space questions such as: how big is the Universe and why is Pluto not a planet anymore? Also if you've always wondered what it takes to become an astronomer - they are the people to ask.



Free, family drop-in workshop (7+), weekends from 11am to 2:30pm at Planetarium & Astronomy Centre.

<https://www.rmg.co.uk/see-do/exhibitions-events/young-astronomers-workshop-0>

See **Ed Sheeran's Guitar at the Horniman Museum**. See Ed Sheeran's custom-built 'x' Martin & Co. acoustic-electric guitar on display in the Music Gallery. This guitar was played during the star singer-songwriter's 2015 North American tour promoting his phenomenally successful second studio album x (Multiply) and was used for songs such as 'Photograph' and 'One'.



Take part in the **Documentary Challenge** at the **Imperial War Museum**, London. Create, film and feature in your own mini-documentary

On loan until May 2020.

<https://www.horniman.ac.uk/visit/exhibitions/ed-sheerans-guitar#image-0>



The Imperial War Museum is full, of stories ranging from spies to bomb shelters, from refugees to ration books. Which stories will your family tell? Grab a filming pack and round up your film crew. Documentary filmmakers at SMASH TV will guide you through the process to create your own documentary. Afterwards download your footage to watch at home. Filming packs are available from the Information Desk, last start time is 4:30pm. Drop-in activity for all ages.

<https://www.iwm.org.uk/events/documentary-challenge>



Reflect on the role of humour in debates around identity, empire and power over the past two hundred years at **Laughing Matters: The State of a Nation exhibition at the V&A Museum.**



V&A

Free event, open every day - 10am to 5:45pm.

<https://www.vam.ac.uk/event/pXY7Zv54/laughing-matters-the-state-of-a-nation>

Through over 30 objects, ranging from costumes to scripts, from puppets to music, this display unpicks the punch lines to discover what humour since the Victorian era – whether subversive, surreal, mocking or celebratory – can tell us about what it means to be British today.

Explore the underbelly of our digital world at **Trevor Paglen, From 'Apple' to 'Anomaly' at the Barbican.** This exhibition reveals the powerful, and often hidden forces at play in artificial intelligence.



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Artist Trevor Paglen's new Curve commission takes as its starting point the way in which AI networks are taught how to 'see' and 'perceive' the world by taking a closer look at image datasets. Discover how the advent of autonomous computer vision and AI has developed, rife with hidden politics, biases and stereotypes.

Free exhibition, Sat–Wed 11am–8pm, Thu and Fri 11am–9pm

<https://www.barbican.org.uk/whats-on/2019/event/trevor-paglen-from-apple-to-anomaly>

## YEAR 7 TRIP TO GREENWICH THEATRE

Year 7 Trinitarians went on a trip to Greenwich Theatre to watch the local pantomime *Sleeping Beauty*. "Oh no they didn't". "Oh yes they did". Students were thoroughly entertained by the exciting comedy performance that took them on a journey through both space and time. They cheered the hero and shouted boo at the villain and threw foam balls at the 'bad guys'. They stood on their feet and danced with the performers on stage. At one point they were covered in snow. All in all they had a fabulous time. At the end of the performance, a member of the audience approached Mrs Lowe to congratulate her on how wonderfully behaved students at our school were. They are to be congratulated.



# Music Department News



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## Trinity is awarded the Music Mark

Trinity were nominated by Lewisham Music Hub and have been awarded the 'Music Mark' in recognition for our dedication and commitment to delivering high-quality music education.

Well done and congratulations to Mrs Lowe and Mrs Bibby-Thompson for getting the recognition they deserve for all the hard work they put into delivering and providing so many opportunities to our children!

## Extra-curricular Opportunities in Music:

### Choirs

Trinity run 2 choirs which both perform widely at school and community events, in such places as Blackheath Halls, Catford Broadway and The Royal Festival Hall.

Primary Choir – Wednesday afternoon

Key stage 3 Choir – Tuesday mornings from 8am

Key stage 4 Choir – Thursday mornings from 8am

### Instrumental Groups

Concert Band – for anyone across both sites who has been playing their instrument for a year – Tuesday 3:30-4:30pm **at the Primary** for Lent term.

### Peripatetic Lessons

Learn an instrument with a specialist teacher in either shared or individual lessons.

Pick up an application form from reception.

Speak to Mrs Lowe for information on any of the Musical opportunities available at Trinity!

**\*NEW – Year 7 Orchestra\*** – A chance for all year 7s who have been able to learn orchestral instruments in lessons, thanks to funding from 'Restore the Music UK', to put their classroom instrumental learning into action in a whole year group Orchestra!

Thursday 3:30-4:30pm

Sign-up sheet is on the notice board in the atrium

# RESTORE THE MUSIC:UK

## Wallball Info

The game begins when one player serves the ball by hitting the ball towards the wall.

The ball must bounce one time on the ground before it reaches the wall.

The receiving player must let the ball hit the wall and bounce once before returning it.

The player can then return the ball by hitting it and reaching the wall in one bounce off the ground.

Play continues until the ball:

Bounces on a line or outside the boundaries.

Hits the wall without bouncing off the ground.

Bounces twice before it is returned.

Is not allowed to bounce.

When a player stops the play, s/he goes to the end of the line and a new player comes into the game.

The remaining player is the server and begins the next game.



Please follow @ukwallball on social media for updates.



Team on their way to Langeberg



## WALLBALL TRIP TO LANGE BERG

Mr Cruz departed with Trinity's WallBall team on Friday 20<sup>th</sup> December as the rest of the school headed off to enjoy the Christmas holidays. They were off to Langeberg in the Netherlands to compete in the International WallBall Junior Open. Despite a flight delay and the fact that Langeberg is nearly 2 hours north of Amsterdam, students were all happy and looking forward to play in the matches.

Samuel and Torin started their single matches at 10.30am (UK time) and Kaela and Peniel at 3.30pm. Doubles tournament were played on Sunday. The European number 1 player is British and he was with us!

Accommodation was good and the students got on very well with the other players.

Everyone played exceedingly well with much competitiveness and enthusiasm, honing their skills and making acquaintances with fellow players.

The team arrived safely back with Mr Cruz in time to spend Christmas with their families.

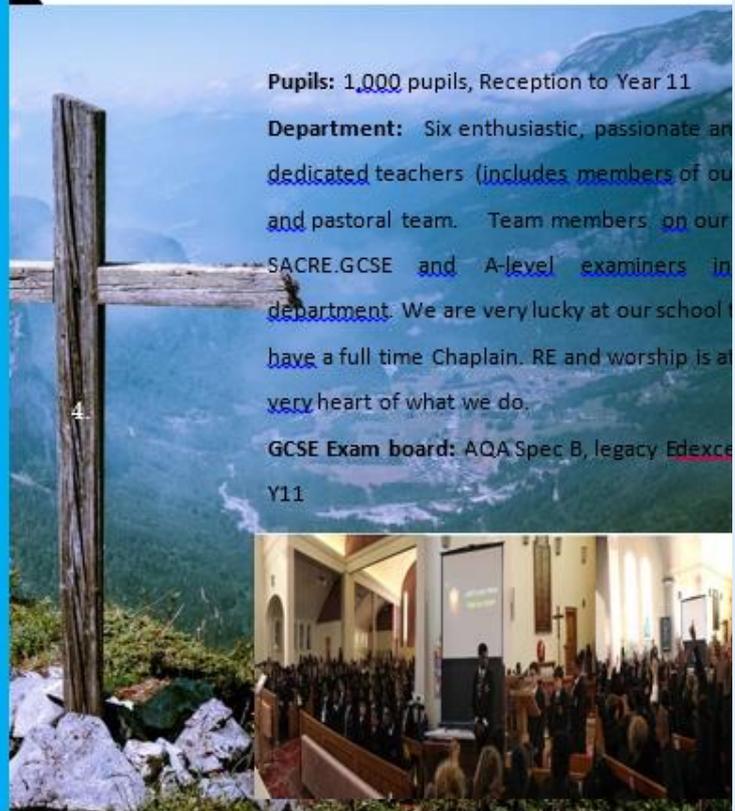
Well done to all.



Homeward bound on the plane

S.Alder

# Trinity School, Lewisham



**Pupils:** 1,000 pupils, Reception to Year 11

**Department:** Six enthusiastic, passionate and dedicated teachers (includes members of our SACRE, GCSE and A-level examiners in department) and pastoral team. Team members on our department. We are very lucky at our school to have a full time Chaplain. RE and worship is at very heart of what we do.

**GCSE Exam board:** AQA Spec B, legacy Edexcel Y11

Our vision as a department is **to ensure that all pupils have the opportunity to flourish**. This means that we provide a **knowledge rich** curriculum and we wish our pupils to develop into **independent, curious** and **thoughtful** members of society. Pupils are also taught how to be reflective in their own lives and to follow a strong moral compass to guide them.

We have a **two year KS3 curriculum** and a **three year KS4 curriculum** which has been built to offer opportunities for two types of knowledge acquisition: declarative (AT1- learning about religion) and procedural knowledge (AT2- Learning from knowledge). As a department our delivery of lessons include the use of booklets. Our booklets are designed to deliver equality between PP and non PP pupils as it provides a knowledge resource to help fill any gaps in cultural and academic knowledge. Feel free to get in touch if you would like to see our booklets in action.

We provide **an array of activities** such as a year 11 Islam GCSE day with distinguished guests, regular walking talking mock assemblies, guest speakers, local clergy delivering lessons and tailored revision aids. We also provide opportunities for SMSC development and have a variety of services throughout the year such as a welcome service, advent Eucharist and a Candlemas Eucharist.

We run trips to Taize, places of worship, Southwark Cathedral and in the New Year we are running a religious mapping of Lewisham day where students will visit local places of worship and learn about their importance in their local community. We also have an RE film club, Christian Union, Chaplaincy drop in and an active Pupil Faith Team who do work inside and outside of school. The department works with First Give, which provides our pupils with the opportunity to be involved in social action in their local community. This year we are also very excited as we have joined the Faith and Belief Forum.

#### **Biggest challenge:**

Balancing the need for pupils to flourish academically with all the many exciting opportunities to be courageous advocates.

#### **Greatest Joy:**

Picking one joy is difficult. That penny drop moment when pupils finally understand a tricky religious concept is definitely one of them, but providing opportunities for our pupils to see first-hand religion in their local community and how it is practiced is also one!

#### **A funny thing a pupil said recently was:**

Primary pupil: "Miss if Jesus became human and was made flesh then why do vegetarians eat him at Church"

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## SABBATICAL TOUR OF THE WORLD – A DIVERSITY OF DIFFERENT RELIGIONS & CULTURES

In January 2020 Mr Gallears, our Deputy Head, undertook to take a sabbatical year to travel the world with his partner. His interest in diverse cultures, their religions, beliefs and history intrigued him so his journey began. Trinity wanted to share some of his incredible journeys so asked him to send us updates of his travels and photographs in order that we can in some way share his experience and open our minds to the world. This week's newsletter launches our first contact with Mr Gallears and is written in his own words.

### Bangkok, Thailand – January

We arrived in the capital and largest city in Thailand, Bangkok on Friday 3rd January, taking the train from the airport to the bustling city centre. Bangkok has the greatest number of international visitors than any other city in the world - over 20 million people visited in 2019.

We visited the Grand Palace, which was once the residence of the Kings of Siam and Thailand. The present king and his government no longer reside there but many official ceremonies still take place here. Built in 1782, there are a number of buildings that are within the palace walls, all decorated with precious stones and metals so that they glisten in the sunshine. The golden palace was my favourite.

We also looked inside the Temple of the Emerald Buddha. This is a highly revered temple within the palace. Visitors are asked to respect the tiny statue of Buddha, which is made of emerald, by removing shoes and making little noise. Visitors are sadly not permitted to take photos inside this beautiful temple.

Next door to the Grand Palace is Wat Pho Temple, home to the Reclining Buddha - a 40-metre long golden statue of a Buddha at rest. Again, as a sign of respect to the Buddhist Faith, visitors are asked to remove their footwear, although this time we were allowed to take photographs. It's an incredible statue!

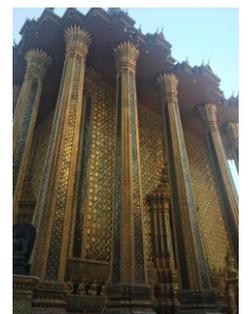
Finally, we scaled one of Bangkok's tallest buildings to see its sky bar and restaurant. We had amazing views of this sprawling city and watched the sunset in the distance.



GRAND PALACE & WAT PO



Statistically, **Thailand** is a country where well over 90% of its residents follow a form of Buddhism. However, even though **Thailand** is predominantly Buddhist, religious freedom is fully accepted, and throughout Bangkok you'll notice a diversity of religions represented



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