# **The House System**

Every student who attends Trinity Church of England All Through School is a member of a 'house'. The houses are made up of all students from Reception through to Year 11. Each secondary student is given a house badge of the house they represent during their time at school. House badges are part of the Trinity uniform and must be displayed on the lapel of the blazer. Primary students wear a jumper bearing their house colour as well as a black and white striped tie with an additional stripe in their house colour.

#### There are 4 houses:

- Gabriel
- Michael
- Raphael
- Zadkiel

The house system is a major pastoral and extra-curricular side of school which develops students' social, team-working and organization (amongst other) skills. The House system aims to reflect the ethos of the school – LEARNING – LOVING – LIVING and we try to develop this by fostering a sense of community, awareness of each other and a sense of being part of a team.

At the very heart of the house system is our vision of a school which promotes a strong work ethic, kindness and decency. Simply put we want our children and young people to

- Engage in a diverse range of activities
- Participate in healthy competition
- Develop a sense of community cohesion and
- Show compassion for other people.

# The History of the Houses

The house names represent four archangels.

#### **Zadkiel**

"Righteousness of God' the archangel of freedom, benevolence and mercy and the Patron Angel of all who forgive

# **Gabriel**

"God is my strength" the archangel who serves as a messenger for God

#### **Michael**

"One who is like God" – head of the archangels.

#### Raphael

'The angel of the spirits of men' and it is his business to "heal the earth"

# **House Captains**

At the beginning of the academic year meetings are held to elect House Captains. We will have one captain and vice-captain per year group. The job of the House Captains is to take responsibility for the leadership and organization of their house in their year group throughout the forthcoming academic year.

# **House Competitions**

House competitions take place throughout the year; all competitions give the students the opportunity to win house points. House points are added together and the house with the most points at the end of the year wins the overall house competition. Students quickly form an allegiance to their house and a sense of fun and friendly competition pervades all the house events.

Examples of house competitions could be: (but not an exhaustive list)

Drama

**Sports Day** 

Quiz's

Debating

Masterchef

Young writers

Sport and Fitness challenges

Subject challenges (English, Math's, Science, Humanities,

Creative, Music, Drama and PE)

Christmas card design competitions

Flag design competitions

Charity – fundraising competitions

Collections of recyclable materials, loose change, batteries

On-line challenges and competitions (during COVID-19)





## **Benefits of the House System**

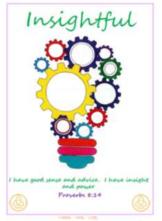
At Trinity we believe that having a house system helps support our students and some of the ways this is achieved are:

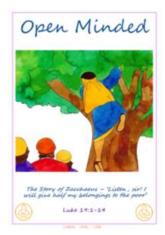
- Fostering respect, consideration and courtesy throughout the school community;
- Encouraging positive self-esteem amongst students and promoting the values and ethos of the school community;
- Providing opportunities to obtain the essential life skills necessary to thrive in a rapidly changing society;
- Providing chances of equality of opportunities as well as encouragement so that students can realise their full potential;
- Promotion of student responsibilities, leadership skills and collaboration.

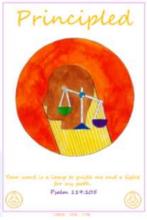
Ensuring our school produces an environment which student, parents, staff, governors and the wider community can be proud of.

# **Trinity Characteristics**

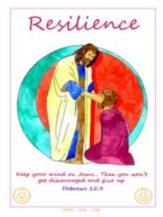


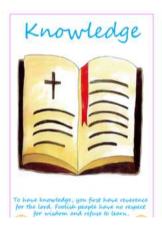


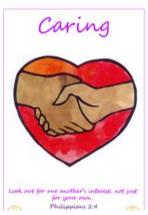


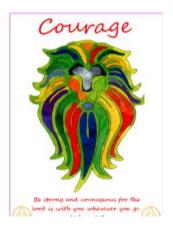












#### **ZADKIEL HOUSE - CAPTAINS**



**Chedon Boye** Year 7



**David Orisa-Kingsley** 

Year 8



**Tauseef Haider** 

Year 9



Mrs J. Ashdown **Head of House** 

#### **GABRIEL HOUSE - CAPTAINS**



Year 7



Malachi Britto Year 8



**Emmerson Sutton** Year 9



**Christophe Modogo** Year 10



**Ms Williams Head of House** 

# **RAPHAEL HOUSE - CAPTAINS**



Amelia Gale-Hall Year 7



**Kirabo Frewin** Year 8



Ogechi Amadi-Ohroguzo Year 9



**Justice Lannartz** Year 10

Ms Bowen-Evans **Head of House** 

#### **MICHAEL HOUSE - CAPTAINS**



**Ilze Taylor** Year 7



**Nathaniel Stainislas-Blow** Year 8



Nicky Vu Year 9



Samuel Nebeolisa Year 10



**Ms Betancort Head of House**