Trinity All Through School

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WEEKLY NEWSLETTER

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Dear Trinitarians

I am filled with great sadness that Trinity is closing its doors at the end of today to most of its pupils. Even though our school doors will be closed we will keep all communication lines open and will still act as a support for all our families – you will never be alone and if there is anything we can do we will strive to achieve it. Just ask - together we are stronger. Can I take this opportunity to thank the pupils for being grounded at this time of turbulence and the staff for working tirelessly to organise home packs and work for the pupils as we go into this next stage as a country to fight back this virus. As a country, we all need to do what we can to reduce the spread of the COVID-19 virus. A united family always flourishes and I am in absolute awe at how amazing the Trinity Community has been. It is vital over the coming few months that we stay in touch and that we support each other in any way we can. At a time of uncertainty we need solidarity, patience and determination.

The government has told schools to close based on the most recent scientific advice on how to further limit the spread of COVID-19. If children can stay safely at home, they should, to limit the chance of the virus spreading. The government has given clear guidance on self-isolation, household isolation and social distancing. Please do check this information whilst you are keeping your children at home, so they are safe. The point of closing schools is to ensure there are fewer children making journeys to school, fewer are gathered together and therefore it is reducing the risk. You must do everything you can to ensure your children are not mixing socially in a way which can continue to spread the virus – they should observe the same social distancing principles as adults. Again, together we can fight this and we are really hoping that the message Boris gave this week is accurate – that we can turn the tide in 12 weeks if we stick to the strict guidelines.

Home Learning:

For the majority of our pupils they will be working from home. We have set up an area on our website called *Home Learning*, which can be found on the Through School Page. This is for all families. It has some general information as well as all the specific work for Primary and Secondary Families. For the Primary Phase packs have been given to all pupils and instructions can be found on our website. Each week we will add a newsletter for each primary year group, giving them direction on what needs to be learnt and covered at home. We have thought long and hard about what is relevant and what will ensure your son / daughter continues to progress whilst not being in school. There is an expectation that pupils will work for a similar length of time as they would do if they were in school. This should support families with children whilst they are at home and ensure they are progressing. For the secondary pupils we will be using our Weduc platform - this is our school app. Please visit the web page and it will explain what you need to do. All pupils from the Secondary Phase have a log-in that is personal to them. They are placed in class groups and their teachers will be setting work in line with what they have been covering at school, to ensure they continue to progress. Each subject teacher will be contacting pupils once a week with information for year 7, 8 and 9. For year 10 and 11 teachers will be communicating twice a week. The school app can be accessed on any portable device, handheld device and on a regular computer. Pupils will be able to message their teachers with any questions throughout this process, and teachers will be asking pupils to prove they are doing the work via the messaging service as well. All parents of the secondary phase should have their own log-in details, your own account. You can then monitor what is being sent separately and can contact teachers directly yourself if you have any concerns. If for any reason you are struggling, or your Wi-Fi goes down please do contact the school. You can get technical advice as well as request paper copies of resources at any time by phoning the school switch boards. These switch boards will always have someone there during term time from 9am until 1pm. The school buildings will be open and if you request paper copies then you will be able to pop in quickly to collect the resources.

Provision for vulnerable and whose parents are critical to the COVID-19 response:

Schools are being asked to continue to provide care for a very limited number of children – children who are vulnerable and children whose parents are critical to the COVID-19 response and cannot be safely cared for at home. Vulnerable children include children who are supported by social care, those with safeguarding and welfare needs, including child in need plans, on child protection plans, 'looked-after' children, young carers, disabled children and those with education, health and care plans. We believe we have contacted all these families directly already to talk to them about our plans. If you feel you are within this category but have not been contacted please do phone the school. Parents whose work is critical to the COVID-19 response include those who work in health and social care and in other key sectors outlined by the government and can be found on our school website. If it is at all possible for children to be at home at this time then they should be. If a child needs specialist support, is vulnerable or has a parent who is a critical worker, then educational provision will be available for them. We are going to run a small service for this group of children each day in our primary site, it is open for a limited number of our pupils across our age range. We did ask families to self-identify if you did fit within this category and have a list of pupils that are booked into the service from Monday. This service is for only a limited number of pupils and is a booked in service. If you are not booked into this service we will not be able to allocate a place. If you feel you fit into any of the categories and would like a place you need to phone the school. We will be able to tell you when you are booked on to ensure you receive this provision. This provision will follow the **normal school day timings**, and the wrap around service provided by The Young Explorers will also be on offer for this limited group only. All pupils within school for this provision will receive a free lunch within the school. It is a child care service and not a full educational service, so pupils will be facilitated to complete the work set by teachers just like all the other pupils working from home. Our staff on site will be a mixture of teachers and support staff to ensure pupils are accessing all the work set by the school. This provision will be at the primary for all pupils in the next two weeks. We are working with the Local Authority to secure learning Hubs over time, so that the provision can continue. We will keep you informed of any changes. There will be an Easter provision, which must be booked, as well this again will be run by The Young Explorers. For any further information about this provision or Easter School then please visit the *Home Learning* tab on our website as above and click on the provision link to give your further information.

Free School Meals:

Further updated information can be found again via the *Home Learning* tab on our website. All those pupils entitled to free school meals will still be able to get these during term time during the school closure. We are working closely with the Local Authority and National bodies to secure vouchers in the long term. In the short term we are able to offer a take away sandwich offer from the Primary School starting from Monday. If you are in receipt of a free school meal from either the primary or secondary phase then you can go along to the primary reception, where your name will be checked on our lists, and then you will be given a sandwich to take away. We wish to support all our families as much as possible, so please do use this service. It is from our Primary school office for all pupils.

Once again thank you for your continued support. A brief newsletter will continue to be issued each week with any updates and further advice. We will keep our Character Corner going as well, which will give you ideas on extra / additional educational activities you can do at home, including programmes on TV that will help with learning. We want to continue to support all our families through this social distancing time. If you feel alone and want to talk do call us and we will try and support you in any way we can. Let me reiterate what I said above, together we can make a difference, please support each other, help with shopping and call each other. None of us are alone. My thoughts and prayers go out to you all. Take care.

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Our school is an official Research Partner in the

We are working in partnership with the Evidence Based Practice Unit (Anna Freud National Centre for Children and Families and UCL), which sate been commissioned by the Department for Education. Together we are investigating the impact of five innovative approaches that aim to promote neuril weelbearing.

This cutting-edge research trial is the largest of its kind in the UK. Our contribution will improve understanding of how best to support children and young people's mental health and sex wellbeing.

The last few weeks have been a difficult and changing time for all of us, this week more than ever it is important to look after one another, share God's love and continue to support one another in any we can. God was generous with his love by sending his only son and now we can be truly generous with our love through our support and care we give to one another. It has been fantastic to see the Trinity family coming together to support our pupils, teachers, parents, local community and key workers.

I was reflecting this morning on the parable of the Prodigal Son. The father invests the love of life and knowledge and faith in his sons. One son is separated from the security of his 'family' and his father hopes that he does well. The son then returns and is welcomed home. Similarly, our students have gained a love of learning and the skills to keep that knowledge outside of school days and as a strong Trinity community, we will welcome them home and carry on together when all this has passed, as a family.

I want to take this opportunity to thank you all for your support, love, humility and care that our Trinity family has shown, we have a fantastic community and support network. Please do keep in contact during the coming weeks, my email is s.alder@trinity.lewisham.sch.uk or if you would rather speak to me please email me and we can arrange that. On behalf of the Trinity chaplaincy team, we are here for you, your children and your families during this difficult time and if we can help in any way please do let us know. I will be sending out weekly reflections, prayers and I am in the process of creating a prayer booklet and prayer/Bible activities you could do with your family whilst at home which I will upload onto WEDUC.

Our school values are so important at this time, do take a few moments each day to pray or reflect on the things you are grateful for, and on ways you can help others in your local community.



Loving God, please bless our school community at this difficult time. We pray especially for our Year 6 and year 11 pupils – please give them a deep sense of your reassurance and peace. Help each of us to have confidence in your love for us, knowing that you understand all our worries and fears, and that you say to us 'Do not be afraid'.

Throughout the coming weeks, may your Spirit of peace dwell in our homes, or places of care. When we are struggling, lift our eyes to you and to all that is good and positive. Give us the grace to be kind and forgiving to those around us, and to ourselves.

As we approach Holy Week and Easter, may you remind us of your life giving message: that after trials and difficulty, come joy and resurrection.

In Jesus' name we pray, Amen.

#live lent campaign I will be continuing to include the weekly prayer, verse and daily challenges that are suitable for the current climate. This week our focus has been on 'Land and Plants' and reflecting on land and the plant life it supports, at home read Genesis 1.9-13 and reflect on the wonderous gift we have all been given and what the creation story teaches us all about God's characteristics.

Loving Father, we praise you for the beauty and wonder. Help us to do all we can to protect our world and tread gently on earth.

Amen

God bless,

Grace and Peace to each of you.





March 19th 2020

Dear Members,

With yesterday's news that schools are to close on Friday until further notice, here at Potential Plus UK we wanted to remind you that we have resources available for you to use in planning work for children and young people, as well as supporting their wellbeing.

Our **50th Challenge Booklet** is a good resource that will keep children happy and challenged. It is available here as a free <u>download for members</u> and here are links to the first 6 activities individually:

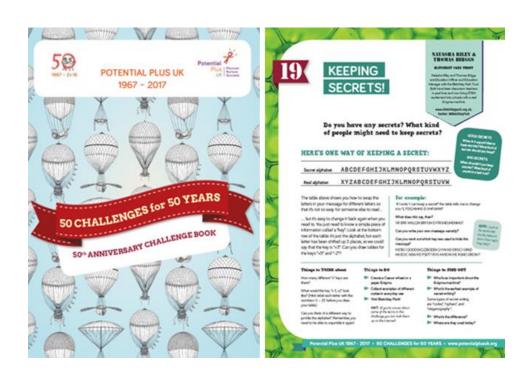
Challenge 1: Creative Writing

Challenge 2: Telepathic Texting

Challenge 3: Jangli – A Made-Up Language

Challenge 4: The Importance of Being Bright!

Challenges 5&6: <u>Heads or Tails</u> and <u>Riddle</u> (both documents are needed for Heads or Tails)



Here are some ideas that could be shared with families to help support children's wellbeing while they are at home. Thank you to **Joy Morgan from Parliament Hill School**, London, for this great list. It is well-known that helping other people gives a sense of purpose and has positive benefits to wellbeing. Additionally, creativity can be an emotional outlet for many. Lots of these activities can be done by older children by themselves and by younger children with adult support.

20 Ideas for Children and Young People's Wellbeing

- **1.** Offer to walk a dog for a neighbour.
- 2. Learn origami there will be plenty of ideas online and you just need some paper.
- **3.** Offer to shop for someone who needs to self-isolate (people over 70 in particular) but do not make contact you need to stand 3 metres away when dropping things off and don't enter their home.
- **4.** See if any elderly neighbours or people living alone near you would appreciate a phone call each day (no visiting).
- **5.** Walk or run, preferably in a green space, every day. You need to make sure you keep at least 3 metres away from anyone you meet.
- 6. Learn a new skill, e.g. knitting, crochet, printing, life drawing. Look online for videos and ideas.
- 7. Tackle the 50 Challenges booklet.
- **8.** Challenge your family to word puzzles select a word and set a timer, challenging everyone to find as many words as possible that can be made with those letters. Choose words with at least 7 letters
- **9.** Brush up on your cooking skills have a Bake Off Challenge or Come Dine With Me competition at home.
- 10. Grow something indoors, e.g. salad leaves or sprout beans and lentils (look online for ideas).
- **11.** Get some old newspaper and take turns with your <u>family to create outfits</u>. Perhaps use a theme, e.g. fashion show, sustainable fashion, a wedding dress.
- 12. Make a musical instrument.
- **13.** If you are lucky enough to have a garden, learn how to prune and plant. If you can buy some seeds or plants, grow food for the summer and flowers to cheer everyone up.
- **14.** Play Who Am I? Write the name of a famous person and keep it a secret. Stick it to an opponent's forehead and allow them to ask 10 questions with only 'Yes' or 'No' for an answer to help them guess who they are.
- **15.** Don't forget the old board games dig them out from the back of the cupboard and remember how much fun they can be.
- **16.** Make a game for your family to play, e.g. Articulate where you just need a set of cards with a word on and work in pairs to beat your opponent to guess the word. One person from the pair picks up a card without showing their partner the word and has to help their partner guess the word without using that word or a rhyming word. The first pair through the pile wins. You can make this into Taboo by adding some forbidden words to the card (digestion example).
- **17.** Play Charades choose a film, book or TV programme and act it out without using any sound. Whoever guesses first becomes the actor.
- **18.** Write a story in pairs, taking it in turns to write a sentence each. You could use two dice to land on a square and incorporate that picture into the sentence or just shout out a random object to include. See the example and have some fun by making people read it in, for example, a pirate voice.
- **19.** Give your family some Dilemmas (here are <u>some examples suitable for secondary ages</u> but making your own would be good). Make everyone decide 'yes' or 'no' before discussing this and trying to persuade each other of your viewpoint.
- **20.** Discuss some Thunks! We shared some with you in January's Focus <u>Thunks</u> and there are some great further thunks <u>here</u>

We will keep in regular touch with more learning activities and ideas for supporting children and young people over the coming weeks. If you would like to share your own learning activities and ideas list then please email it to focus@potentialplusuk.org



Welcome to the Secondary Page for Home Learning. The aim is to provide work for all our pupils to ensure they continue to make progress whilst we are closed during this difficult time. Our staff will be providing work via our school app - which is a platform that all pupils should be able to access. Pupils are expected to work the normal school day whilst at home. Please encourage your son / daughter to complete all the tasks set, and do check them for their quality and detail. It is important that we work together to ensure pupils continue to learn and do not fall behind.

All pupils have had training on how to log into the school app - Weduc. If you have not yet downloaded this app you can from the Apple App Store or Google Play Store. You can also access this app via any computer.



Explore the world from you home this weekend with Virtual Visits.

Visit the Science Museum from your own home with Objects and Stories. Explore over 250,000 objects and archives in the Collection Online and discover unique and compelling stories from objects that have changed our world to the intriguing personal histories that lie behind them.



https://www.sciencemuseum.org.uk/objects-and-stories







See the world famous Smithsonian Museum of Natural History with a virtual tour. Explore the museum with a self-guided room by room tour of selected exhibits and areas in the Museum. Many of the tours provide a view of previously unseen seen objects and archives.





https://naturalhistory.si.edu/visit/virtual-tour

Explore collections from around the world online with Google Arts & Culture. Visit top exhibits, zoom in on artworks in mind-blowing detail and browse thousands of stories, photos, videos and manuscripts, with content from over 1200 leading museums and archives.













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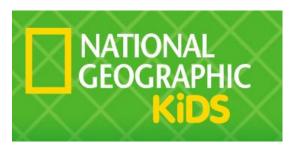
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https://www.natgeokids.com/uk/category/discover/

Learn about the environment, the challenges it faces and the action we can take, with Greenpeace.







Soya

Climate Change

Plastic pollution

GREENPEACE

https://www.greenpeace.org.uk/challenges/



Trinity is delighted to announce that we are now using an innovative online careers resource called START.

START is a free, easy to use careers guidance platform for students and parents to help students prepare for and make informed decisions at key moments of choice.

START contains a comprehensive source of careers information personalised to every student from Year 7 to 11 and provides a structured programme of activities, tailored to each Year Group.

START will help pupils to connect with their future career potential, develop their employability and help them to explore future career and study options at school or at home.

All students in years 7 to 10 will have been given a letter containing their individual username and password and instructions on how login to their START account at www.startprofile.com.

Parents & Carers have also been given a letter with more information about START and how to create their own START account to learn more about pupils study, training and career opportunities.

If your parent/carer letter has been misplaced please go to www.startprofile.com and follow the simple instructions to create your own account.

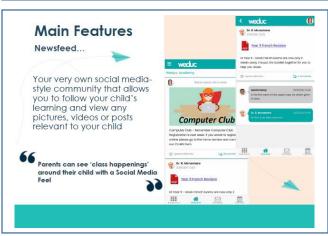


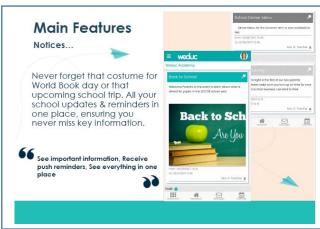


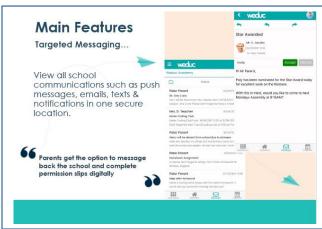


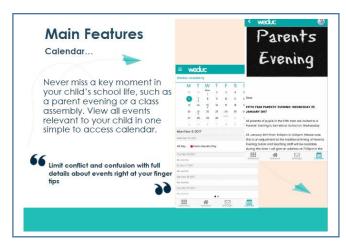


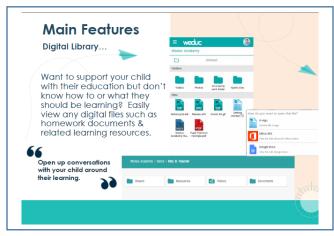


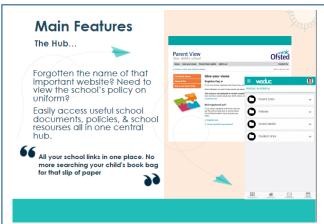


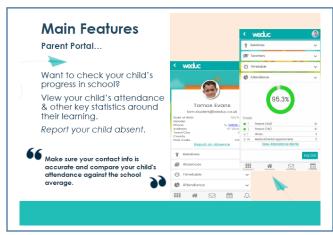


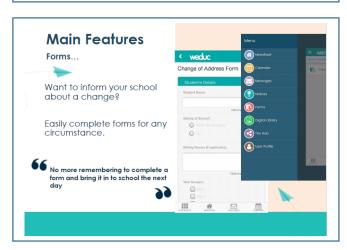










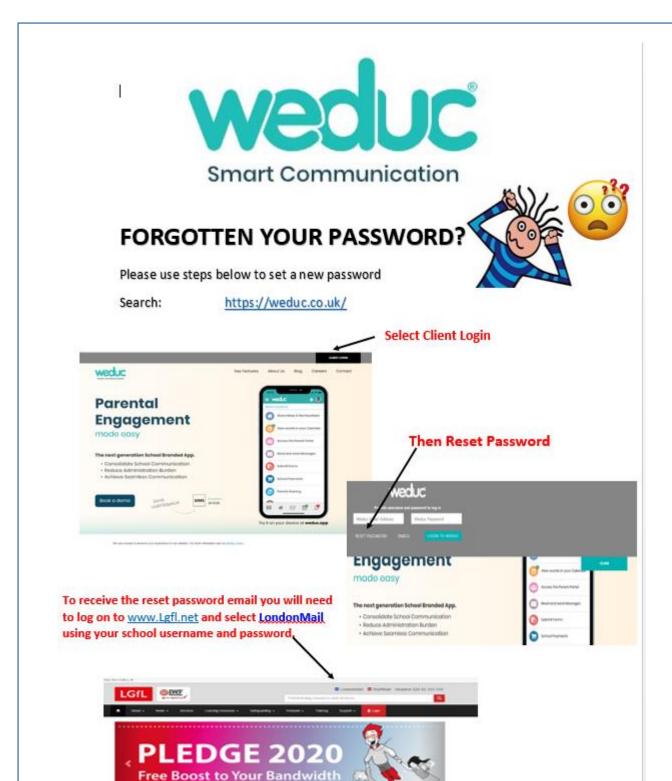




School Lines will be open as normal for any other queries please contact the relevant department.

Mobile Numbers are reachable during 9am - 3pm

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Miss Samuel	07958063326	For printing requestGeneral Enquires
Miss Oz	07340473632	WEDUC supportReports
Miss Suleiman	07958063310	AdmissionsWEDUC SupportReports



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Miss Suleiman	07958063310	Admissions
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LAST COOKING SESSION (for now)





Year 8 made pasta and a corresponding sauce from scratch! They will now be able to show their skills and feed their families during the coming weeks.

Fun And Delicious Recipes You Can Make With Your Kids

Click on the links below to find some great ideas for cooking with kids.

https://tasty.co/article/melissaharrison/cooking-with-kids

https://www.netmums.com/recipes/category/kids-cooking-recipes

https://www.bbcgoodfood.com/recipes/collection/kids-cooking