

# SIXTH FORM BULLETIN

What a busy first few weeks it has been! I hope that you are beginning to settle back into your studies and that you are feeling confident about the year ahead.

This year has started very positively with subject attendance at around 97%, and the number of behaviour logs recorded at around 65 (Year 12 are letting the side down with homework I'm afraid!). I am also really pleased to report that majority of you are adhering to the dress code and that there has been a big improvement in the number of students wearing their school ID cards.

During half term we will be putting the finishing touches to the new Sixth Form Bistro: the furniture and IT equipment will be installed and the final decoration applied. Members of the Student Council and Leadership Team have been working with the caterers to ensure we offer you a range of high quality food and drinks at very reasonable prices. This is the first time that the Sixth Form has had its own dedicated dining space so please use it to ensure it stays that way. We are hoping for a grand opening the first week after half term so watch this space!

If you are applying to university this year, don't forget that the internal deadline for applications is Friday 19 October. Applications received after this date may not be submitted to UCAS in time for the external deadline.

Once again, thank you for a really positive start and for making me feel so welcome in my new role here at Trinity.

Mr A Runciman (Assistant Headteacher - Sixth Form)

## !! REMINDER !!

**ID cards MUST be worn by ALL students when they are on the school site. NO EXCEPTIONS!**



### FIVE HUNDRED MILES FOR UGANDA

To continue the fund-raising for the Uganda project, Mr Stables has pledged to cycle to work and home again for 100 days continuously, a total of 500 miles, up to the end of February. Members of the school community are asked to sign up to sponsor him for a flat amount of £5.00, payable at the end of the 100 days. It is hoped to raise close to £5,000. The Uganda group for the next visit will then decide how the money raised will be spent in our twinned schools in Uganda.

Please sign up on the sponsor sheet which will be distributed to each form.  
Many thanks, Mr. Stables

USA Exchange reply slips to Mrs Clarke  
(Head's PA) as soon as possible please.  
Thank you for the volunteers from Year 12 –  
contact and follow up soon.  
Mr Mottershead

The Seminar Room (at the top of the stairs on the way to Carloliol Library) is available for students to use - for example, for group projects, to practise presentations. The booking sheet is kept in Carloliol Library, please speak with Mrs Spencer or Mrs Beale if you would like to use it.

## FUNDING AVAILABLE

**LOWTHER STREET TRUST:** The purpose of the Trust is to promote the education (including social and physical education) of persons under the age of 25 who are resident in the City and District of Carlisle. Awards will be made entirely on individual merits and on the individual's suitability for whatever type of course he or she chooses to pursue to qualify him or her more fully for the trade or profession in which he or she is interested. The Trustees will meet three times a year and applications will be considered at the nearest meeting after the application is received.

**For an information sheet or application form, please see Miss Devlin (Sixth Form Office).**

### **FOR FUTURE REFERENCE (YEAR 13'S):**

The Carlisle Educational Charity aims to promote the further education of young people under the age of 25 in the Carlisle area. Sixth Form students are not eligible to apply, but it may be something to consider if you are due to attend a full time course at a university or institution of further education next autumn.

**Further information (including how to apply) is available from:**

[http://www.carlisle.gov.uk/education\\_and\\_learning/carlisle\\_educational\\_charity.aspx](http://www.carlisle.gov.uk/education_and_learning/carlisle_educational_charity.aspx)

The Churchill Book fund was established in memory of The Very Reverend Jack Churchill, the late Dean of Carlisle, to enable grants to be made towards the purchase of books for students of Theology or Religious Studies in further or higher education, who live in the Diocese of Carlisle. GCSE and A level students are not eligible to apply, but again, this may be something to consider if you are planning on studying Theology or Religious Studies at university next year.

**For more details, please see Miss Devlin (Sixth Form Office).**

# DURHAM UNIVERSITY SUPPORTED PROGRESSION PROGRAMME

**Are you interested in applying to Durham University?**

If the answer to this question is 'Yes' you may be interested in the Supported Progression route which offers additional help and support.

The scheme offers a package of academic and financial support, as well as admissions guidance. During the post-16 phase students will take part in a two-year coherent, structured programme of events including an assessed Summer School in Year 12.

Students who successfully complete the programme will be recognised as having achieved a qualification equivalent to 40-80 UCAS tariff points that can contribute towards meeting the entry requirements for a course at Durham University, along with a guaranteed offer and bursaries of £5,500 per year towards university costs.

For further information and an application form please see Mrs Fleming (Student Manager). Places are limited and the closing date for applications is **Fri 9 Nov '12**.

A student/parent/carer Information Evening will be held on **Tue 30 Oct '12** at Carlisle Racecourse - for further information about this evening go to

[www.durham.ac.uk/supported.progression/post-16](http://www.durham.ac.uk/supported.progression/post-16)



National Citizen Service is a new programme for 16 and 17 year olds. It is free to take part and there are places available this Autumn. Over 30,000 young people have already taken part and this is the final chance for you to get involved. You will spend the half term break at an outdoor centre, taking part in a range of activities with your team. After this, your team will be introduced to local employers, leaders, community groups and others, and you will then decide on a project which will make a positive difference to life in your community (for example, organising a fundraising event, help coach youth sports). In the New Year, there will be a special graduation event for you and your family.

This is a good opportunity to help you develop and demonstrate important skills, attitudes and personal qualities which are valued by employers, colleges and universities. It will also add something unique and distinctive to any job/university application, and help you build the key skills and qualities needed for life after Sixth Form.

**Visit <http://nationalcitizenservice.direct.gov.uk/> for more information, including testimonials from young people who have already taken part.**

Application forms are available from the Sixth Form Office.

For students who are 18, VSO is offering you a once-in-a-lifetime chance to spend 3 months volunteering in Africa or Asia with International Citizen Service (ICS). Its an opportunity to experience another culture, challenge yourself and develop your potential while working on genuine development projects that will have a lasting impact.

**Visit [www.vso-ics.org.uk](http://www.vso-ics.org.uk) for more information.**

Technology4Good Youth Awards is a competition to encourage innovation and creativity in young people – essential skills for the industries that will lead the country out of recession. The judges are looking for groups of **14-21 year olds** from anywhere in the UK to share their ideas about how computers, the internet and other technologies can help make the world a better place.

Young people need to tell the judges their ideas about how to help the people around them—for example inventing a new service for disabled people, tackling climate change, or dreaming up new ways of making communities safer. As long as it has an innovative element and uses accessible technology, they want to hear it.



**Deadline: 5pm, 30 November 2012**

Full details including guidance notes and the entry form are available at [www.technology4goodawards.org.uk/youth](http://www.technology4goodawards.org.uk/youth)

After the closing date, the judges will be creating a shortlist of the best nine ideas. These nine finalists will be paired with both corporate and voluntary sector partners to develop their ideas. Finalists will be able to use their specialist knowledge and experience as well as gaining valuable project management skills in a series of structured business development sessions. Examples of previous mentors include BT, Honda, Legal & General, PwC and Sony.

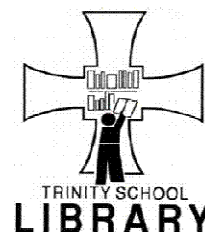
The competition will culminate with the young people pitching their projects to a 'Dragon's Den' style panel at Windsor Castle on 17 April 2013, which is followed by an awards ceremony where the hard work of all the finalists will be celebrated (we can contribute to travel costs).

The participants in the top three groups will each receive a Gold, Silver or Bronze medal and the overall winner will take home a Technology4Good trophy. The winning group will win £5,000 to help the young people take their idea to the next stage of development. That could be your school, youth club or an individual.

**For further information visit [www.technology4goodawards.org.uk/youth](http://www.technology4goodawards.org.uk/youth)**

# News From The Library

[www.trinitylibrary.co.uk](http://www.trinitylibrary.co.uk)

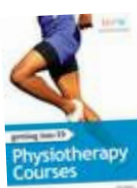


A big **hello** and **welcome** from the library to all new and returning students. We are delighted to have already seen so many of you in the library and hope to see even more of you after the Year 12 inductions!

*Remember - regular use of the Library and it's resources can help to improve all-round performance!!*

## New Careers Books!

Over the summer the Library took delivery of some new **careers books**. These include several from the **MPW Getting into >>**



series, including: **Law, Physiotherapy, Art & Design, Business & Economics, Engineering, Dentistry, Medicine and Veterinary**

**Science.**

We also have new books on **CVs, Interviews, Psychometric tests, Apprenticeships, What**



**Employers Want**, as well as **Heap 2013**. These will help you with all those **UCAS** application forms and important **career decisions!**



The books are available for use within the library **only**, although we are happy to photocopy pages for you.

## Important Reminders!

- Laptops to be returned after **one** hour – students can borrow another if there are any available.
- In the C-zones, only **quiet** talking about **work** is permitted! If noise levels are too high they will be made into **silent** zones!



**October** is the busiest month for **university open days**. Please do check the library's **Open Day Board** at the top of the main stairs and also

[www.opendays.com](http://www.opendays.com)

They really are a great way of helping you to check out a university before you commit.



We have extended our range of magazines for 2012/13 with a new subscription to **Empire**.

Do come and read it!



And **finally**, **Apologies** for any inconvenience caused by the short staffing in the library – we are trying to maintain as full a service as possible.