



*Dear Tytherington Families,*

It is great to be able to update you on another fantastic start to the term. I have been impressed by how eager the students have been to throw themselves into all manner of events and activities. Just in the last two weeks the students have taken part in the following events:

- The annual PE Awards Evening where over 100 students were recognised for sporting excellence, our senior boys table tennis team were crowned regional champions
- We welcomed Marlborough, Puss Bank and Dean Valley School Year 5s to our "Forensic Science Day"
- Our 6th Form Mathematicians took part in the UK Maths Challenge
- A group of students went on an Art Residential
- Several of our students took part in Remembrance Day events across Macclesfield

To top this off, I received a letter this week informing me that our A-Level results were officially in the top 10% of the country. It is on days like these when I feel like I'm the luckiest Headteacher in the country!

## **Tytherington School Remembers**

I was incredibly proud of all the students who took part in a number of commemoration events across our town. Tom Lineham, Tom Collins and Katie Barber represented Tytherington School at the Bollington Remembrance Parade.



Alexander Gitlin (pictured above) also had the honour of laying a wreath on behalf of JLGB (The Jewish Lads and Girls Brigade Youth Group), at the Manchester City Centre Remembrance Parade.

Ninety-seven years after the guns ceased firing on the western front during the first world war, Tytherington School fell silent on Wednesday morning to remember our fallen soldiers. A special bell rang at 11am and the school joined together to observe a two-minute silence. The commemorative event was led by the students in our school who belong to the cadets. They were allowed to wear



their cadets uniform during the day as a mark of respect. Several students joined them at the front of the school just before 11am to hear *The Last Post* being played by members of the school band.

## Tytherington School in the community

As you will be aware, we have a very long tradition of supporting local community projects. On Friday 13th November, students will be involved in a day of charity fundraising to support the Macclesfield Food Bank and Homeless Project.

You may have also seen Molly Makepeace in the *Macclesfield Express* last week. The Year 10 student told her family and friends



that instead of presents for her 15th birthday she wanted the cash to donate to East Cheshire Hospice. She then dropped in the donation of £140 to the hospice. What a fantastic student!

## Transport update

Many parents have been in contact with me about the possibility of us running an additional school bus. The greatest interest has come from families living in the Rainow and Buxton Road areas. We are working with local transport providers and the local authority to see whether we can provide our own service in these areas. Many of you have also talked to me about 6th Form transport, I hope to be able to update you in the next few weeks on where we are and what might be possible.

## The Friends of Tytherington club needs you!

The Friends of Tytherington School (FoTS) exists in order to raise extra funds solely for the use of staff and students at school to enable them to buy services or resources which the school budget could not otherwise provide. During the past academic year FoTS spent almost £5,500 on school purchases including Stage Curtains, Health & Social Care Baby dolls and Art aprons. The group also raised money for the purchase of the Defibrillator.

The Friends are an amazingly supportive group of parents who are keen to grow in numbers. All of our major feeder areas are covered although we would like to increase the membership of parents from the Bollington area. If you are interested in finding out more please email:-

[info@tytheringtonschool.co.uk](mailto:info@tytheringtonschool.co.uk)



## Feedback from the Parental Survey Update

Many thanks to the many of you who replied to the Parents Survey. We are working on presenting you with a full breakdown of results with details of how we plan to act on your feedback. The main areas of feedback:

- Students feel safe
- There is a strong sense of community
- We have a very strong pastoral system
- Students do well academically
- Your sons and daughters enjoy school

Areas for us to work on:

- Parents are not always made aware of what homework has been set
- We need to get better at communicating changes in GCSE and A-Level.
- There are areas of the school site that could do with brightening up

We also asked parents about the colour-coded reporting system. 83% of parents who responded wanted to retain the present format with colour-coding of red, amber and green to indicate progress being made and individual attitude to learning. We will therefore continue to use this system in the meantime.

I have asked Mr Pilbury, Deputy Headteacher for Raising Standards, to fully analyse the results and feedback to you on how we can improve.

## Takeover Day comes to Tytherington School!

On Friday 20th November I will be “taken over” as part of the National Takeover Day Challenge. This is part of an initiative by the Children’s Commissioner to provide more young people with an opportunity to experience decision –making and leadership. Last year over 40,000 youngsters

across the country took part in the programme. I will be joined by some other staff who will have their roles “taken over” for the day by youngsters. I will send out an application form to students so they can apply. I am looking to appoint 2-4 students who will be “Headteacher for the day”. I will update you on how they get on in the next newsletter. Watch this space!!!

## PE Awards Evening – Tues 10<sup>th</sup> Sept



Congratulations to the many students who won an Award at the PE Awards Evening. Well done to Caitlyn Lloyd who was named Key Stage 3 Sports Personality of the Year. Oliver Tovee was named the Key Stage 4 Personality of the Year and Harry Melvin won the Outstanding Contribution to School Sport.

*Well done to you all.*

Should you have any queries about the progress of your child then please do not hesitate to get in contact with the school using the details at the foot of this letter.

Yours sincerely,

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