

# WELCOME



## A MESSAGE FROM OUR PRINCIPAL MICHAEL FITZSIMONS

If you were able to join us inside the academy, I have no doubt that you would be extremely proud of the way your sons and daughters have responded to this 'new normal.' The start to the year has been tremendous and has exemplified the culture that we have in place at TSFA. The students have shown significant resilience, positivity, and professionalism in their approaches to all aspects of 6th Form life. It gives me great confidence and hope to see the next generation dealing with this pandemic and all its fallout with such vigour. I am very proud of them all and I am excited to lead them into this academic year.



Some key highlights for me have been the daily interactions with students, the attendance, which has been significantly higher than the national average and the quality of learning taking place in lessons. This term has been a true collective effort and an example of what a high performing team can achieve. There is a long haul in front of us, but by focussing on the present and taking it one step at a time, I am confident we will achieve great things. I'll finish with a nice quote that I read recently by the US artist Georgia O'Keeffe: *"I've been absolutely terrified every moment of my life – and I've never let it keep me from doing a single thing I wanted to do."*

**Enjoy the half term break.**

## STUDENTS COMPLETE RETAIL DESIGN BRIEF

Our students have been busy working on a commission by Woolshops to design a piece of window art that commemorates Halifax coming back together following lockdown. The students in the art department were keen to take on the shop front commission and help Woolshops welcome back their loyal customers, contributing to the community that they are now a central part of.

Woolshops commissioned five art students; Aeryn Waddington, Eva Knott, Faye Rhodes, Jess Bairstow and Joe Reeves to help work on the design. Together they were able to create a vinyl art display that's featured in the NOSH window of the shopping centre.



Jason Gregg, Centre Manager of Woolshops Shopping Centre said, *"We are thrilled to be welcoming Trinity Sixth Form Academy as our new neighbour in September, not only will this be brilliant for the centre, but it will also be great for the town."*

[Read the full article here.](#)

### UCAT SUCCESS!

Congratulations to:

- Matthew Morritt
- Gertrude Collins
- Laura Cullen
- Daniah Al-Hadeethi





## MEET MICHEAL BURKE

*C&K Careers Adviser*



Hi, my name is Michael Burke and I am your Level 6 qualified Careers Adviser here at Trinity Sixth Form Academy. I work for C&K Careers who are an organisation specialising in Careers Education, Information, Advice and Guidance. I have a varied background in careers formerly working in Central London, Surrey, South Yorkshire and for the past 7 years in schools and colleges across West Yorkshire. I will be available for appointments on Monday and Wednesday at the academy and I am looking forward to meeting you. Your PPT can make an appointment for you, either in person or over the phone. Alternatively, you can email me at [michael.burke@ckcareers.org.uk](mailto:michael.burke@ckcareers.org.uk). For more careers information/resources visit [www.ckcareersonline.org.uk](http://www.ckcareersonline.org.uk).



## ALUMNI FOCUS

*Theo Collins - Graduated 2018*

"I studied Maths, Chemistry and Biology. Currently, I am in Leicester, studying Pharmacy at De Montfort University School of Pharmacy. I am also a Dispenser for TrustMed Pharmacy at LRI University Hospitals Leicester. I found the transition from 6th Form to Uni quite good. The only challenge I faced was that I was a student who found it difficult to write essays, so it was a bit challenging to write reports and essays. But with the help of the Uni I got over that problem. Although it is a big jump, I think some people make it seem so scary but it's not. I think I was prepared enough to handle the pressures and academic demands as well. I am loving and enjoying Uni, especially first year. I've made great friends and found my "clique", I've joined many societies and i'm currently the President of one. Overall it's a great experience so far."

## INDUSTRY SPOTLIGHT

### Covea

Being in the centre of Halifax has meant we are becoming part of the local community. Strong links have already been forged with Covea and they are sending representatives into the 6th Form to come and work directly with Year 13 students on aspects of their curriculum, including Business and Economics.

In Business they will be working directly with the Year 13 BTEC group on Unit 8 Recruitment and Selection. Students are looking forward to receiving input on the key areas that employers look for throughout the recruitment process. In Economics, students have to understand the role of financial services in the UK economy and by working with Covea, students will get a first-hand account of the role of insurance firms which will hopefully enhance their understanding and application of the topic. They are also supporting students with their CV writing and interview skills. A brilliant opportunity for all our students.



## FORMAL FRIDAY AT TSFA

We recently had our first Formal Friday of the year and we had some great outfits to choose from, all whilst helping to raise money for charity too! We are looking forward to the next one already!



## KEY DATES:

Virtual Open Day – 12 November

Year 12 PC1 – 16 November

Year 13 Trial Exams - 23 November

## VIRTUAL OPEN DAY!

## 12 NOVEMBER 2020

For prospective new students, that we are looking to recruit for Year 12 next year.

For more information visit - [sixth.trinitymat.org](http://sixth.trinitymat.org)





## WE WELCOME STUDENTS TO OUR NEW STATE-OF-THE-ART BUILDING

This key milestone follows the completion of the multi-million pound construction project to transform the former Central Library into a learning facility and to help regenerate the town.

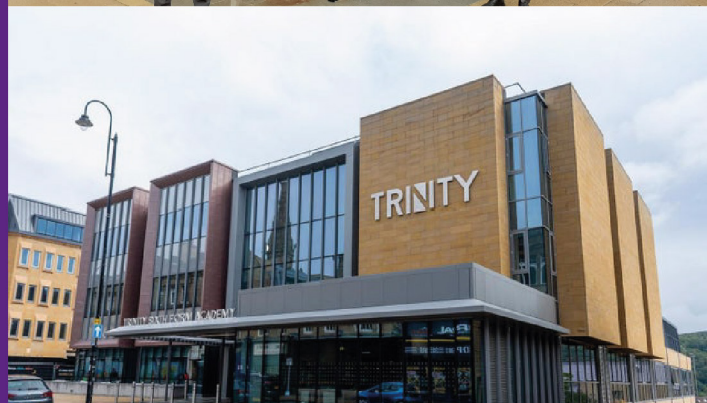
Michael Gosling, CEO of Trinity Multi-Academy Trust, said: "We are delighted that our vision for a new specialist post-16 college for the young people of Calderdale has been delivered, and extremely proud to be part of the wider regeneration of the town, and the combined impact it will have."

A key motivation in creating the the new Sixth Form centre was to keep more young students in the borough and continue their education.

The Trinity Sixth Form Academy partnership project has been completed by Calderdale Council, Trinity Multi-Academy Trust, Rastrick High School, LDN Architects, Blacc Ltd and a range of local contractors.

"Bringing this key site back into use will add to the vibrancy and prosperity of the town, which is more important than ever at the moment."

[Read the full article here](#)



### VIRTUAL OPEN DAY!

12 NOVEMBER 2020  
For more information  
please visit our  
[website](#)

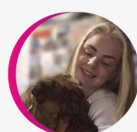


## GOLF VICTORY!

*Harry Wright*

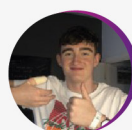
Harry Wright, alongside his studies is currently excelling in Sport. He won a major golf competition at the weekend that has meant his team has now secured a place in the Team Golf England National Final, which will be taking place at the end of this month. He also had the best nett score of the tournament. We like to celebrate student achievement both in and out of the academy. If you would like to share any achievements/success stories, please email: [contactus@sixth.trinitymat.org](mailto:contactus@sixth.trinitymat.org).

## MEET OUR NEW HEAD BOY AND GIRL!



### HEAD GIRL

Ella Highley



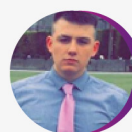
### HEAD BOY

James Addison



### DEPUTY HEAD GIRL

Shazna Ali



### DEPUTY HEAD BOY

Dylan Johnson