

TRINITY

SIXTH FORM ACADEMY

TRINITY +

...your wider curriculum



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PRINCIPAL'S ADDRESS

"I am delighted to welcome you to our 6th Form, at heart of Halifax town centre. At Trinity Sixth Form Academy we believe passionately in the importance of an institution that contributes to personal development, human flourishing and the creation of the good society. We therefore want our students to have access to the highest levels of subject knowledge, to be professional in everything they do and to strive to be virtuous in their relations with others. These three things are what we consider to be the constitutive features of an outstanding education that develops 'life ready learners.'"

WELCOME TO TRINITY SIXTH FORM ACADEMY

Our mission at is to support our students in becoming 'life ready' learners. The academy is unashamedly academic and offers a broad curriculum of A-Levels and L3 BTEC qualifications, designed to support the young people from our region and beyond in securing the best possible qualifications, which open up a lifetime of future opportunities with the leading universities and employers in the world.

We take a triangulated approach to developing life ready learners. Through great teaching students acquire powerful knowledge, knowledge that they otherwise would not know. We then aim to instil inward-looking values that define us as people. The four core professional standards that we encourage students to foster are: integrity, mental toughness, an attention to detail and work ethic, enabling students to reflect honestly on their strengths and areas of development. Lastly, students develop an outward-looking sense of themselves and the world through our civic virtues. These virtues enable students to consider how best to be virtuous as part of a local, national and global community.

We are immensely proud of our 6th Form culture and see each every one of our students as an ambassador for Trinity. Our results speak for themselves; we lead the Calderdale region for progress, with a 99% pass rate in 2019 and every year our students secure the best possible destinations like degree apprenticeships and university places at Oxbridge. However, we are about so much more than academic success. We pride ourselves on our Trinity+ programme, our aspirations and enrichment offer and our approaches to mental health, the pastoral support we provide and the relationships that we secure as a 6th Form community.

Michael Fitzsimons
Principal, Sixth Form



WELCOME TO YOUR TRINITY+ GUIDE

OUR INTENT STATEMENT

Pivotal to our mission of developing **'life ready learners'** is Trinity +, which encompasses much of our wider curriculum offer. Through a dedicated weekly lesson with their personal progress tutor, students will be actively encouraged to inhabit the professional standards and civic virtues which lie at the heart of this academy. Complementary to our core curriculum there remains a consistent focus on developing powerful knowledge of **PSHCE** and **aspirations** so that students are ready for their chosen next steps. It is our intent that this lesson will not only deliver our personal development programme but will allow time for students to have mentoring conversations with appropriate **careers, well-being** and **academic** staff in order to facilitate both **reflection on current performance** as well as setting next steps in order to achieve future goals. Alongside this bespoke approach to personal development, the lesson provides an excellent opportunity for us to further enhance the delivery of our literacy strategy through shared and guided **reading** practice as well as promoting oracy through our **public speaking** programme: key elements identified as requisite by future employers. Ultimately, underpinning Trinity + is our desire to build active citizens who **contribute positively to society** and who can **respond to challenge**. Trinity + creates an opportunity for us to do this in a way that fosters **self confidence and belief so that our students are truly life ready**.



WHAT IS TRINITY+?

Trinity+ is a statutory part of your journey in sixth form that will deliver to you key PSHE learning as well as supporting our aspirations programme. Additionally, it provides opportunity for collaboration within your house and competition with others. Trinity+ also offers a platform to develop self-confidence through positive challenge opportunities, public speaking and encouraging participation in our Trinity Enrich programme. Through Trinity+ sessions you will also receive personalised learning through subject staff who are available to attend and support your studies as well as it being a time to facilitate wellbeing and pastoral support.

Finally, it helps to achieve our mission...



Trinity Sixth Form Academy
Achieving our Professional Standards

"To do the common thing, uncommonly well, brings success"
 - Henry J. Heinz

- ✓ **Mental Toughness**
- ✓ **Attention to Detail**
- ✓ **Work Ethic**
- ✓ **Integrity**

Developing life ready learners

Trinity Sixth Form Academy
The Civic Virtues

1. **Wisdom**
2. **Temperance**
3. **Courage**
4. **Justice**
5. **Compassion**
6. **Service**

Developing life ready learners

EXPECTATIONS



ATTENDANCE

Trinity+ is a pivotal part of our mission of developing 'life ready learners' It will allow time for you to have mentoring conversations with appropriate careers, well-being and academic staff as well as your PPT in order to facilitate your reflection on current performance. It is worthwhile and holds value therefore you must attend.

PUNCTUALITY

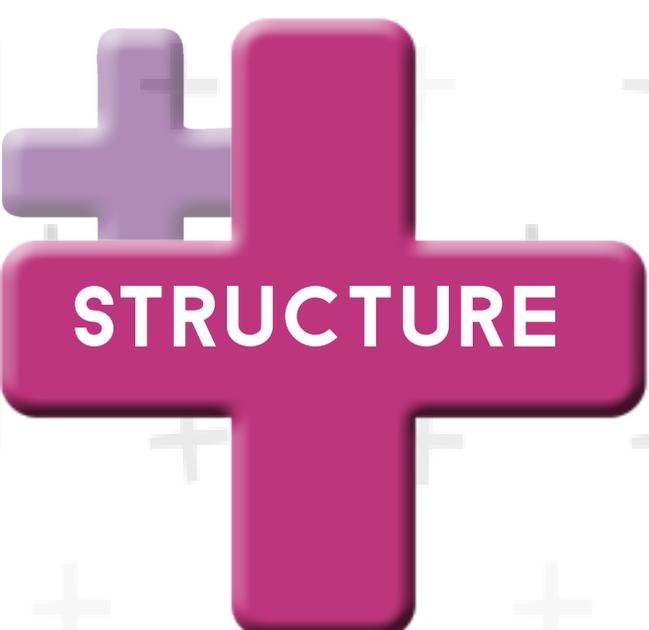
Punctuality and being on time is one of our non-negotiables; and part of being life ready. The session begins on the bell therefore you are expected to be st down and ready to start the session at 9.45am .

RESOURCES

Part of the Trinity+ session will include time for you to complete independent study using various study skills, it is important you come with the correct resources for this. You must have basic equipment for every session.

ENGAGEMENT

You will only get out of this opportunity what you put in – it is another chance to develop self-confidence and so that you are truly life ready. Therefore be present, be engaged and make the most of these sessions.



STRUCTURE

Our Trinity+ sessions will run through a set structure each week. This allows you to know exactly what to expect each week and to also allocate suitable timings to each area that is covered. The structure below outlines the timings and set-up for you:

Year 12	
Personal Development	45 Minutes
Self-Appraisal	10 minutes
Independent Study/MM	60 minutes
Life Ready Lesson	30 minutes
Literary Message	5 minutes

Year 13	
Personal Development	45 Minutes
Self-Appraisal	10 minutes
Independent Study/MM	60 minutes
Literary Message	5 minutes

PERSONAL DEVELOPMENT

Our mission to create 'Life-Ready Learners' is heavily supported by the 'Personal Development' aspect of the Trinity+ sessions. In Personal Development, we will teach you the skills and knowledge needed to be a positive, active citizen in a good society and to succeed in an ever-changing globalised world. These sessions maintain a clear focus on well-being, self development and aspirations to allow students to reflect on their own values and understanding as well as their place within the wider world. In engaging and interactive sessions, we will cover areas relating to:

- Professional Standards
- British Values
- Safeguarding
- Civic Virtues
- Critical Thinking
- Philosophy
- Understanding the wider world
- Employability





INDEPENDENT STUDY

At TSFA, we place great importance on the ability to independently study as part of our 'Life-Ready Learner' mission. Therefore, we have allocated a large section of Trinity+ to quiet independent study in order to allow you time to commit to your weekly 15 hours set by subject areas. The ability of study and independency are two core skills that will see you to success beyond sixth form and in the wider world therefore it is important you utilise this time wisely to put into practice the techniques that you will be taught to ensure you are studying effectively.

MONITORING CONVERSATIONS

In addition to Independent Study, this part of Trinity+ will allow time for specific conversations to take place with students to provide personalised, bespoke mentoring and support. During this time, you may speak to one of, or a number of, staff that is relevant to you and your needs. These could be with:

- Your Personal Progress Tutor
- Careers Advisor
- Student Well-being
- Subject Teachers

All will be available to you during this time to offer pastoral, aspirations, health and academic support.



LIFE-READY LESSONS

Our 'Life-Ready' lessons are specifically planned with your ability to succeed as confident individuals who believe they are capable of conducting themselves appropriately beyond education. In these lessons, we will focus on life skills, literacy and oracy to prepare you with the qualities needed to be self-assured.

LIFE SKILLS

You will develop general life skills through lessons on study skills, finance, banking, accounts, budgeting, mortgages, the welfare system, accessing healthcare, keeping healthy and more.

LITERACY

At TSFA, we place great importance on the skill of reading and our literacy strategy aims to provide guided reading to our students within Trinity+. Through articles, book segments and journals we aim to teach you the value of reading and its purpose in enhancing our minds and developing powerful knowledge.

ORACY

The significance of public speaking is prevalent in being a confident and active member of society and therefore we aim to develop your skills in oracy through Trinity+. Our public speaking programme will see you being vocal within sessions, delivering presentations, using Tier 2 vocabulary and most importantly, being comfortable doing so.



We believe strongly in the value and purpose of reflection therefore we encourage our students to partake in weekly 'Self-Appraisal'. Through this, you will complete a form to reflect on your personal and academic progression over the previous week in areas of:

- Health
- Well-being
- Graduation
*Behaviour, Attendance, Enrichment
- Aspirations

This is to promote high standards, reinforce our professional standards and prepare you for the working world where appraisals are the norm.

CLASS NOTEBOOK

During this time, you will also update your Graduation Log via your Class Notebook which is located in your allocated Trinity+ Microsoft Teams channel. This is a simple template that you will complete every week to detail the activities you have completed that week which show your progress towards completing Graduation. You will detail:

- Current Attendance Data*
- Current Achievement Point and Behaviour Points*
- Enrichment Completed
- Work Experience Completed

****This information is available via the Bromcom Student Portal***