



BEACON

shining a light on our school



So much has happened at Cathedral this year that it would be impossible to list everything here. We love maths here, so let's let the numbers do the talking...

417 CAREERS APPOINTMENTS
1,010 STUDENTS HAVE BEEN ON AT LEAST ONE TRIP
1,542 INVOLVE SESSIONS

4,217 BOOKS READ
41,535 LESSONS THIS YEAR
760,800 MOR BIG TEST QUESTIONS ANSWERED



We were inspected by Ofsted on 25th - 26th May 2022. We are delighted to have been graded **Outstanding** in all areas.

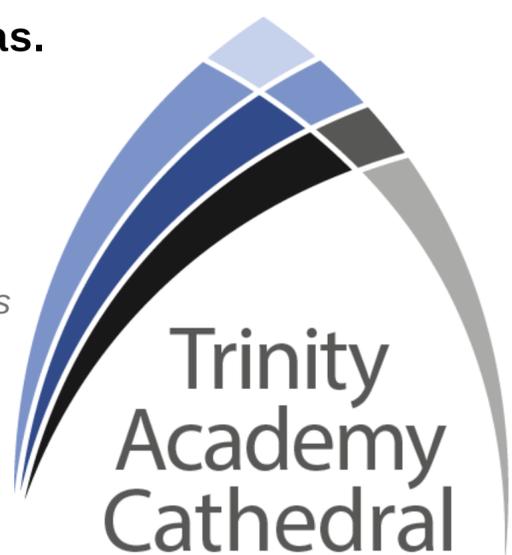
'Trinity Academy Cathedral is a school with a very special atmosphere and sense of purpose.'

'...behaviour around the school is impressive, with pupils showing care, courtesy and maturity. Learning is rarely interrupted by low-level disruption, and pupils sustain highly focused, industrious efforts in lessons.'

'rich and ambitious curriculum'

'Pupils feel safe and very well supported by adults in the school.'

'Leaders' approach to the personal development of pupils is exemplary. Their vision for all pupils to have belief in themselves, and to develop strong character traits, is embedded in the day-to-day offer.'



KEY NOTICES FOR SEPTEMBER

PARKING AND TRAFFIC ON SCHOOL SITE

Parking on the school site is not allowed unless you have a permit for special circumstances. Over the summer we will be improving safeguarding on-site by installing a perimeter fence and associated electric vehicle gates at the front of the school, along with a new traffic management route. This means that the bus bay will no longer be available for dropping off or picking up students. If you must provide transport to school via car or van, you will need to drop-off and pick-up in a safe spot away from site. Please consider other road users, residents and pedestrians when doing this as there is a risk of blocking roads and causing danger to others.

BREAKFAST AND HEALTHY EATING

**magic
breakfast**
fuel for learning

At Cathedral, we promote the importance of healthy eating habits from an early age. Students can enjoy a range of meals, snacks and drinks in our onsite restaurant as our team cook, bake and create food in-house. We are also pleased to offer a **FREE** healthy school breakfast every day from 8am, which is available to all students thanks to the support of Magic Breakfast. Please note that we are a Healthy School, as part of this we ask that students

do not bring in fizzy drinks, energy drinks, 'family sized' or multi-packs of crisps, chocolate or any other unhealthy items. Of course, students are still welcome to bring standard sized treat items and are encouraged to enjoy these as part of a balanced diet.

SCHOOL MEALS AND PRICING

ParentPay is a nationally recognised, secure online system that allows you to pay the academy for meals. By topping up your account, your child can make the most of their break and lunch times. Meals are currently priced at £2.40.



FREE SCHOOL MEAL APPLICATION

If you are currently claiming benefits or are living in a low income household, then you may be able to claim free school meals through Wakefield Council. You can access the application form for free school meals by [clicking this link](#).

MY CHILD AT SCHOOL APP

Trinity Academy Cathedral is aiming to become a paperless academy. We have recently launched the **My Child at School** app to communicate with parents. We encourage parents and carers to download the app as most of the information we send is now via e-mail. As we move forward, texts will only be used in emergencies or to pass on urgent messages.

My Child at School enables all parents to download an app and find useful information. This includes details of achievement points, behaviour points and your child's timetable. Parents will of course receive any information automatically too, but the app also offers a number of extra benefits.

[Download the app here.](#)

WATER BOTTLES

As part of our Earth-shot initiative, we will no longer be selling drinks in plastic bottles from September. We have water dispensers in the building so we encourage students to bring a refillable bottle.



THE SCHOOL DAY - TIME CHANGE

We have high expectations of attendance and punctuality and want to embed a strong ethos with students of how important it is to be in school and to be on time. It is important that your child has an organised start to their day, registers with other pupils and is in class at the start of lesson time.

From September, the school day will begin at **8.25am**. This means that students must have passed by the student checkpoint **before 8.25am** to be considered on time. If a student reaches the checkpoint **on the 8.25am bell**, they will be stopped and processed as arriving late to school.

In accordance with Trinity MAT Late to School Policy, Trinity Academy Cathedral is making some changes to align with the rest of the schools in the MAT in terms of sanctions for being late to school. This is to ensure consistency across schools and to reduce the amount of students who are late to school.

From September 2022:

- If your child is late to school once in a half term then they will receive a 30-minute same night detention.
- If your child is late a second time in a half term, they will receive a one-hour same night detention
- If your child is late a third time in a half term then they will receive a two-hour same night detention
- If your child is late four or more times in a half term then they will receive a two-hour same night detention every time they are late to school

At Cathedral, we have in place a range of procedures and strategies that actively promote punctuality along with a large Pastoral Team that support students with their punctuality. If you feel that you require additional support, please contact us and this can be discussed with the Attendance Team.

SCHOOL BAGS AND EQUIPMENT EXPECTATIONS

Part of our high expectations around arrival to school include coming to school every day with the correct equipment. In September, we will provide all students with a full set of essential equipment: black/blue pen, purple pen, whiteboard pen, pencil and ruler. You can supplement this with any additional equipment you like, but please ensure that this basic kit is maintained and topped up as required throughout the year as things run out.

All students must have an appropriately sized school bag which can hold full student equipment, PE kit, a water bottle and an A4 sized knowledge organiser folder.

Every time your child attends the academy with no bag or an incorrectly sized bag, they will receive a behaviour point on the school system and will be provided with a school bag for the day. Please ensure that your child comes to school in September ready to learn with correct uniform, equipment and bag.

ELECTRIC SCOOTERS

In line with the laws surrounding the use of electric scooters on public roads, students should not arrive to school on an electric scooter. Electric scooters are currently classed as 'powered transporters' by the government and fall under the same laws and regulations that apply to all motor vehicles. Currently, electric scooters can only be used on private land with the landowner's permission. It is effectively illegal to use them on public roads, on pavements, in cycle lanes and in pedestrian-only areas.

If a student arrives to school on one from September, the Pastoral team will store this until a parent/carer can come and collect for safety reasons. Students are encouraged to use bicycles or non-electric scooters to come to school on as part of our healthy schools drive.

SUMMER EVENTS AND OPPORTUNITIES

CHECK OUT THESE LINKS FOR BRILLIANT THINGS YOU CAN DO IN OUR LOCAL AREA OR FOR FREE ONLINE...



[The Hepworth Gallery.](#)

OPEN ALL SUMMER, Tuesday-Sunday between 10:00am-5:00pm. School students can get in for **FREE!** Brilliant exhibitions of modern art - go along and explore something new!

[Wakefield Pride](#)

Sunday 14th August in Wakefield City Centre. Grab your rainbow flag and enjoy the parade!

[Wakefield Theatre Royal](#)

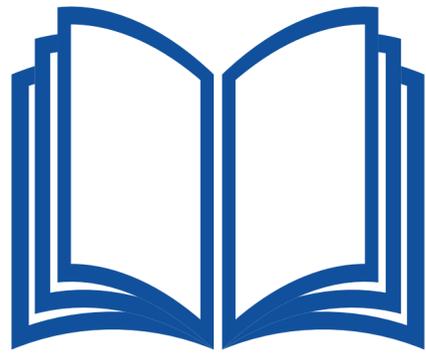
On 27th July between 5-7pm, some of our students' work is being displayed in the theatre! Drop in and have a look - it's free!

[Wakefield Museum](#)

OPEN ALL SUMMER, Monday-Saturday from 9:00am. **FREE** entry and lots of exciting things to see!

[Wakefield Library.](#)

OPEN ALL SUMMER, Monday-Saturday. Go and read books for free any time you like! Every Saturday at 9:30am and for the whole day, you can go and play board games for free at the library. Chess Club from 10-11am on Saturday mornings.



[Eat for £1 at any ASDA cafe](#)

Students aged 16 or under can eat for just £1 at any ASDA cafe all summer!



[Wakefield Cathedral](#)

Open every day with **FREE** entry! Have you spent time exploring this beautiful building? Why not go for a wander around - look at the incredible artwork on display, the stained glass and the inspirational space. This is a great place to go to get some peace and quiet and space to think. Every Tuesday at 1pm there is a free concert in the Cathedral - just turn up and listen!

FREE audio books, plays and educational podcasts are available online. Some of our



favourites are linked here:

[TED Talks to Save the Planet](#)

[The Chronicles of Narnia](#)

[Great speeches in history.](#)

[Oliver Twist](#)

[The Odyssey.](#)

[TED Talks: Revolutionary Women](#)

[TED Talks: Little Known Big History.](#)

ABOVE ALL - STAY SAFE

Reach out if you need help - click the **heart** for organisations which can help you...



...and you can find more resources to support your wellbeing on your year group area on MS Teams

