

# Beautiful St Barnabas Artwork Wows at Trinity Theatre

A new Woodbury Park Cemetery exhibition displays art by our young, talented artists

By our Year 6 reporters: Nina, Julia, Alicia, Riley, Destiny, Joshua, Edward, Luke, Teddy, Nyla and Macie

Children from St Barnabas School currently have posters on display at Trinity Arts Centre, as part of an exhibition celebrating the history of Woodbury Park Cemetery.

Pupils from Years 1-6 were selected to participate in a design-focused activity, which were based on architectural drawings created by Lilac Class with the support of local artist John Fagg. The young artists collaborated to simplify the images into bold lines on acetate, before layering these over brightly-coloured paper.

The children created posters depicting the historic local Woodbury Park Cemetery, including gravestones, fountains, bird baths, and the church itself. The posters have been enlarged, and are shown in full colour within a wider exhibition that forms part of the Heritage Days trail around Tunbridge Wells.



The exhibition is currently running at Trinity Arts Centre, inside the Gallery. This is downstairs near to the café and reception desk. Everyone is welcome, and the event is free to visit. The exhibition will run until Sunday 21<sup>st</sup> September, daily from 10am until 3pm.



Jeanne Pope, one of the organisers of the exhibition said “St Barnabas School has been involved with Woodbury Park cemetery for a number of years- the school even planted a lilac tree years ago, which is still thriving today. When the posters are displayed all together, I think they look absolutely wonderful.”

Our group of young reporters loved the artwork, and really enjoyed seeing the work from their school on display. Teddy said “it feels very artistic,” with Riley commenting that “it made me feel closer to the art.” One group of girls noted that Trinity had done an amazing job arranging the posters, and Destiny added that “seeing the art really made me want to go and visit the actual cemetery again.”

