



CARDINAL WISEMAN

CATHOLIC SCHOOL

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We are delighted to be writing to you at the end of another busy week here at Cardinal Wiseman. Last Sunday, 22nd April was Good Shepherd Sunday, which is a time of year that we traditionally pray for vocations. Following Good Shepherd Sunday we have taken time as a staff team to reflect on the Sunday scriptures and how relevant they are to our vocations as teachers.



Jesus said: "I am the good shepherd. A good shepherd lays down his life for the sheep. A hired man, who is not a shepherd and whose sheep are not his own, sees a wolf coming and leaves the sheep and runs away..." John 10:11-12

It is a wonderful privilege to work with all of our children and families and we pray not only for their education and future development but also for the staff who have dedicated their lives to giving them the very best start in life.

The Leadership Team

Update to Year 8 Parents on Reporting and Assessment

Thank you to the large number of parents who supported both of our recent information presentations. We were delighted that so many parents could take the time to attend and very much value your continued support of these events. Further to some of the discussions at these two events we would like to confirm the following timeline for your child's report:

- During next week, Core and Ebacc subjects will complete assessments using the new knowledge curriculum framework. Your child will be informed of the expectations of this by their class teacher.
- Staff will have entered data by Friday 11 May with a view to the reports being issued to parents from Thursday 17 May.

If you have any queries regarding the reports, please contact Mrs Keogh (PA to Leadership Team) on lkeogh@cardinalwiseman.coventry.sch.uk

Update on Year 11 Examinations

As we rapidly approach the exam season we have put in place a robust timetable for intervention and support over the next 4 weeks to half term. This bespoke programme will mean that every pupil will receive specific revision sessions in all of their subjects in the run up to the exams to ensure they have the best possible preparation.

We are always mindful of the pressure and the stress that the GCSE examination season can place on pupils and have also put in place support and guidance from the pastoral team through assemblies and other means, eg, a Health and Wellbeing corner in the school Library.

If you have any queries or concerns about any Year 11 pupils or the preparation for exams please could you contact the head of year Miss Greenway (kgreenway@cardinalwiseman.coventry.sch.uk) or the APCC for Year 11 Mrs Osborne (cosborne@cardinalwiseman.coventry.sch.uk).

Attendance Matters

Did you know?

For some parents 90% may seem like an acceptable level of attendance, but the reality is that 90% means that your child will miss half a school day each week—that's almost 4 weeks in an academic year.

Remember—a good record of attendance and punctuality helps towards your child's chances of a successful future.

Education is too good to miss – how many of us would love the opportunity to return to free education....

% Attendance during one school year	Equals number of days absent	Which means this number of lessons missed
95%	10 days	50 lessons
90%	19 days	95 lessons
85%	29 days	145 lessons
80%	38 days	190 lessons
75%	48 days	240 lessons
70%	57 days	285 lessons
65%	67 days	335 lessons

SPORTING SUCCESS

The Year 8 boys (Eugene Ikepa, Johnathon Takasongo, Adam Graj and Merdi Mukaba) finished 2nd to Alcester Grammar School out of over 80 schools in Coventry, Warwickshire and Solihull in a lad based Rowing Competition held last Friday, 20 April, at the Alan Higgs Sports Centre.

The Year 8 and 10 girls' teams also both deserve a mention, as they both acquitted themselves excellently in their respective events.



SAFEGUARDING



If you have any concerns about your child's internet safety, please go to www.thinkuknow.co.uk for advice.

This is a government website which aims to empower children and young people 5-17 to identify the risks they may face online and know where they can go for support. It also has helpful hints and tips for parents.

St George's Day

Monday April 23rd was St George's Day. Most people know that St George is the Patron Saint of England but what you might not know is that St George is also the Patron Saint of Scouting.

Scouts is an organisation that covers nearly the whole world. Despite what people think when they say Scouts is for boys, when actually Scouting is for anyone for any age or gender. You can start your Scouting journey at any age. The Beavers section is for the younger ones, they join at 5 and then move up to Cubs at 7 ½. Scouts is for 10½ year olds to age 14. After the age of 14 you can go to be an Explorer. At 14 you can also become a young leader and at 18 you can become a leader of any section.

Any group is a fun, open space where you can be yourself. Everyone looks after each other and bullying and misbehaviour is not tolerated. The leaders teach you new skills that you will need in the future, whether it is in or out of Scouting. Saskia, aged 9, said "You learn new skills that you'll need when you're older". Dillon, aged 10, said "I came to Cubs because you learn new stuff and go new places'.

In the last year, the 7th Coventry Scout Group went camping and on loads of trips. For example, they went and slept over in a museum and went on a 10 day trip to Switzerland.

It is very rewarding as a young leader to help Cubs gain their badges. Leaders and young people are essential in keeping Scout groups open. The movement would not be where it is today without the passion and enthusiasm of the young people. James, 23, says "Its all about the kids", which is absolutely true.

On the Sunday closest to St George's Day, Scouts all around the country march in honour of St George. They look smart in their uniforms and they smile all the way through.

Article by Sophie

For more information, please contact Jackie on 07515716524





We warmly welcome students and their parents /
carers to take part in the
"Be Glorious" Vocations Mass on
Thursday 24 May at 6.30pm
St Patrick's Church



Year 11 Exam Preparation Programme 2018

This programme may be adapted and added to

** means actual exam

Week Beginning	Day	Action
23rd April	Monday 23 rd	RE revision P1, 2, 3 15 Pupils on PIXL conference
	Tuesday 24 th	PE moderation P1,2,3,4 (selected pupils) OCR Sport revision P4, 5 Drama revision P4, 5
	Wednesday 25 th	OCR Sport revision P1,2,3 Music coursework P1,2,3 Drama revision P1,2,3
	Thursday 26 th	English P1/2/3 Live streaming of McBeth
	Friday 27 th	Maths P1, 2, 3 – Statistics coursework section 2
30th April	Monday 30 th	**Drama Practical exam** all day 15 pupils on PIXL conference
	Tuesday 1 st	Maths P1 and P2 – complete coursework **Drama Practical exam** all day
	Wednesday 2 nd	**Drama Practical exam** all day
	Thursday 3 rd	History P1,2,3 Walking talking mock
	Friday 4 th	Normal lessons
7th May	Monday 7 th	BANK HOLIDAY
	Tuesday 8 th	Normal lessons
	Wednesday 9 th	PE revision P1,2,3 Science revision P4,5
	Thursday 10 th	Science revision P1 and P2 French L and R P4,5
	Friday 11 th	RE revision P1, 2, 3 Science revision P4 and P5
14th May	Monday 14 th	AM **ICT EXAM** P1 and P2 RE exam prep PM **RE EXAM**
	Tuesday 15 th	AM **French listening & reading** Biology revision PM ** Biology & Trilogy**
	Wednesday 16 th	AM **OCR Sport** RE revision for 2 nd paper PM **RE second paper**

	Thursday 17 th	AM ** Chemistry & Trilogy** PM **Computer Science** Maths revision
	Friday 18 th	AM **French written** Science revision PM ** Drama & PE** Maths revision
21st May	Monday 21 st	English revision P1, 2, 3 RE revision P4 and P5 After school Geography revision
	Tuesday 22 nd	AM **English Lit paper 1** PM **Geography paper 1** Maths walk and talk mock
	Wednesday 23 rd	AM **Business Studies** Science revision PM **Physics & combined**
	Thursday 24 th	AM **Maths paper 1** PM **RE paper 3**
	Friday 25 th	AM **English Lit paper 2** PM History revision & option blocks