



Cardinal Wiseman Catholic School

Part of The Romero Catholic Academy



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Leadership Update

This weekend is Armistice Sunday where we join in with the nation remembering those members of the armed forces who have given their lives in service.

Each student in the school has been given the opportunity to remember someone they have lost, or to write a prayer for a fallen soldier, which has formed a stunning display down our Romero corridor.

In Flanders Fields

*In Flanders fields the poppies blow
Between the crosses, row on row,
That mark our place; and in the sky
The larks, still bravely singing, fly*

*We are the Dead. Short days ago
We lived, felt dawn, saw sunset glow,
Loved and were loved, and now we lie,
In Flanders fields.*

*Take up our quarrel with the foe:
To you from failing hands we throw
The torch; be yours to hold it high.
If ye break faith with us who die
We shall not sleep, though poppies grow
In Flanders fields.*

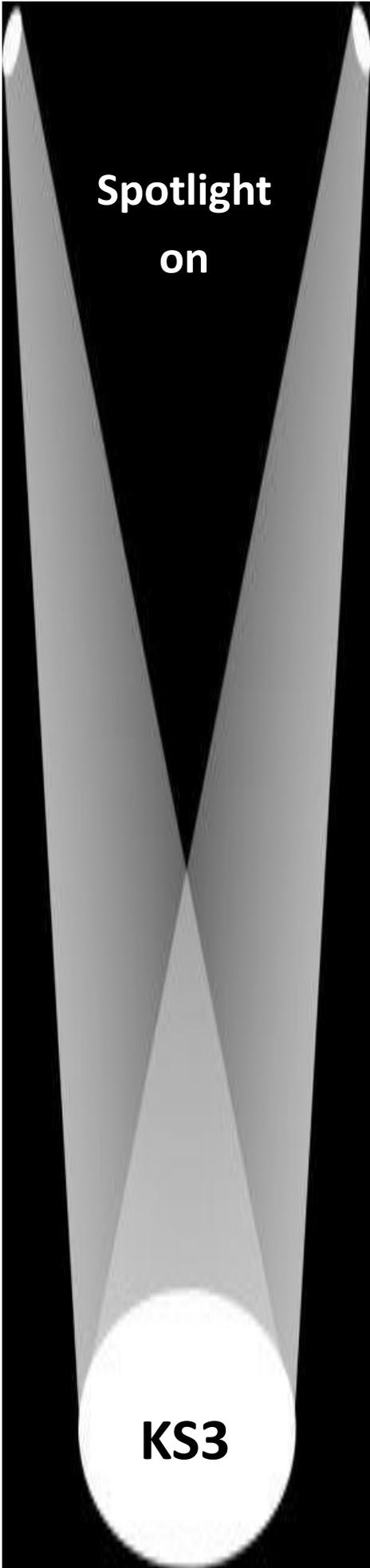
– John McCrae

Important Date

National Youth Sunday

On Sunday 24 November, students from Cardinal Wiseman School will help lead Mass at Sacred Heart Church at 10.30am. It is the feast day of Christ the King and a day set aside by the Catholic Church to celebrate our youth.

Please come along and join us for this special event celebration!

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**Spotlight
on**

KS3

Year 9 are currently involved in a Policing Questionnaire Project with the Nationwide PSHE Association

A number of Year 9 students have been given the opportunity to share their knowledge, views and opinions on the police force in the UK.

This will help us to develop strong ties with the local police and help us support our young people in keeping safe.

Year 9 Boy's Football Team are through to the 4th Round of the English Schools Cup

The Year 9 Boys' Football Team came through a challenging 3rd round match against Ashlawn School from Rugby on Monday with a 5-3 win.

Ashlawn took an early lead, before the captain Daniel Akinwumi pulled a goal back to make it 1-1. Wiseman kept attacking before Ashlawn scored a second from the penalty spot for a clear handball and a third was added very quickly after. Ashlawn forced a brilliant save from Cody Ellis but he was unable to hold onto the ball and the rebound was tapped in.

Wiseman pulled a goal back just before half time from Daniel Onana after Mr Blair had changed the formation from a 4-3-3 to a 4-4-2, as well as sending on John Asamoah-Afari who would be inspirational in the 2nd half. The first half finished 3-2.

The second half began with Wiseman attacking Ashlawn's defence and by keeping the ball by passing it around the midfield and then onto John Asamoah-Afari to get the equaliser. Wiseman then relaxed and gave Ashlawn a lot of the ball which resulted in a lot of pressure at the back and many good saves from Cody Ellis. This pressure resulted in Ashlawn being awarded a second penalty which Cody saved.

After the penalty, Wiseman started to settle back into a rhythm of attacking down the wings and scoring two more goals by Dorian Mvanga and John Asamoah-Afari to win the tie.

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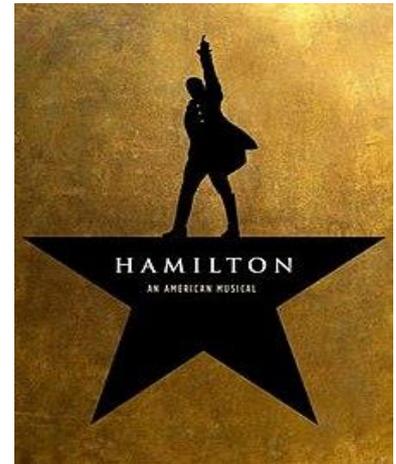
KS4

Year 10

The Year 10 drama group have just performed their first practical performance of the year and the work on show was a pleasure to watch and mark.

On Tuesday, the group travelled to London's West End to see a performance of 'Hamilton' which was a fantastic opportunity.

They also were able to ask the cast questions afterwards.



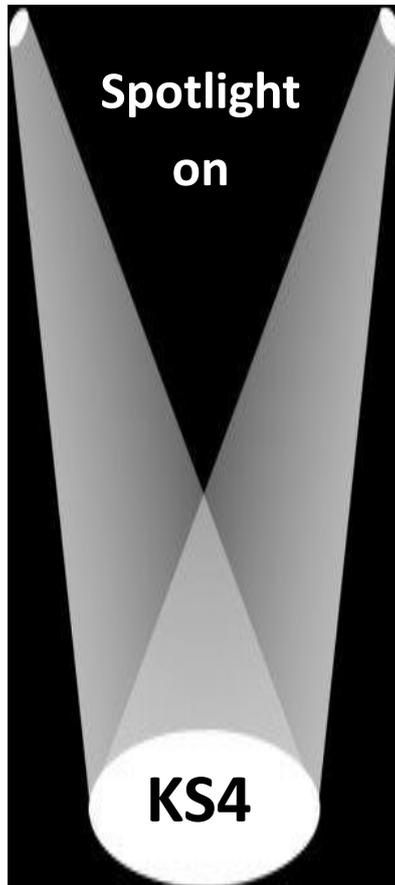
Year 10

Following the success of form time intervention sessions with Year 11 last year, we have made the decision to run this intervention from the start of Year 10 until the end of Year 11. When students returned in September, they were placed into form groups that would focus on one of their chosen option subjects or on the core subjects of Maths, Science or Literacy. The intervention sessions will take place in your child's tutor time on a Wednesday and Thursday for 25 minutes.

We believe that these types of additional, subject specific sessions will further improve your child's current grade. We know that every child within Year 10 has the potential to achieve a good grade at the end of Year 11 and we wish to ensure they reach their true potential.

We appreciate your support and know that you share our aspirations for your child.

Please feel free to contact Mrs Taylor if you have any further questions.



Year 11

As Year 11 move closer towards their mock examinations, it is really important that pupils are planning their revision so that it is meaningful and effective. Last week, during the morning briefing, all Year 11 students were given a brand new revision guide textbook that contains many different revision strategies and examples of how to create effective revision timetables. Any pupils that were absent can collect their copy from the Key Stage 4 office.

Last week, all Year 11 pupils were invited to have lunch in the Sixth Form Centre with the Key Stage 5 staff in order to find out about Post 16 education and ask any questions that they might have about the Sixth Form at Cardinal Wiseman.

This week, Year 11 will be experiencing being a Sixth Form pupil. They have all been given the opportunity to take part in Post 16 taster lessons, some of which are subjects not on offer at Key Stage 4. This is a fantastic opportunity for our pupils and hopefully will help in their decision making process for next year.



Sixth Form Update

In response to growing concerns about the mental health of young people, we have launched a 'Healthy Minds' initiative, targeted at Year 12 students.

Kate Jackson, from 'Wellbeing Therapy Solutions', has already been making regular email contact with students, supporting them with strategies to maintain their mental health.

We are looking forward to welcoming Kate into school next week for the first of a series of workshops with Year 12 students.

If you'd like to know more about Kate, please check out her website and Facebook page

www.wellbeingtherapysolutions.co.uk

www.facebook.com/wellbeingtherapysolutions



The Applied Arts Faculty Welcome Pupils from the Romero Primary Schools

Cardinal Wiseman welcomed students from our feeder primary schools this week to take part in a KS3 cooking lesson, helping the children become familiar with what to expect when they join Cardinal Wiseman.



The children enjoyed their morning in the Applied Arts Faculty, making bread rolls.

Miss McClelland

After School Activities

PE Faculty Activities

Football (Boys) Thursday 3.30 - 4.30pm

Netball (Year 8 & 9 Girls) Thursday 3.30 - 4.30

Football (Girls) Wednesday 3.30 - 4.30pm

Health and Fitness Breakfast Club Wednesday 7.15 - 8.00am



Languages Faculty Activities - please note changes

Polish Club (Years 7 - 9) Tuesday 3.30 - 4.00pm

Spanish Club (Years 7 - 9) Tuesday 3.30 - 4.00pm

Italian Club (for all Years) Tuesday 3.30 - 4.00pm

French Homework Club (for all Years) Thursday 3.30 - 4.00pm

Latin Club (Year 10—Sixth Form) Friday 3.30 - 4.00pm

Maths Faculty

Maths Game Club Tuesday 3.30 - 4.30pm



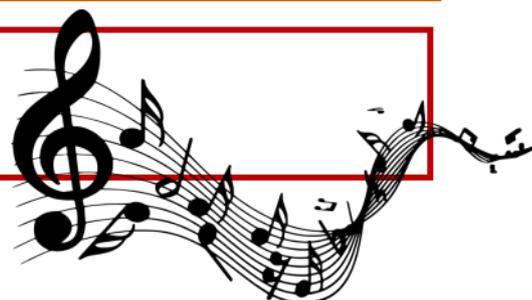
English Faculty

Harry Potter Club (Years 7 - 9) Tuesday 3.30 - 4.15pm

Debating Club (Years 9 - 10) Thursday 3.30 - 4.15pm

Music Department

Whole School Choir Thursday 3.30 - 4.15pm



See faculty staff for details





REMEMBRANCE DAY

Lest We Forget

In the week leading up to Remembrance Sunday, each student was given a poppy on which to write a prayer for a loved one who has passed away, or for people who have lost their lives in conflicts around the world.

These poppies will be displayed in the Romero corridor to welcome students and staff to a Remembrance Mass on Monday 11 November. This Mass will focus on former Cardinal Wiseman students, Guy Mellor, Shaun Bush and James Fullarton, who lost their lives serving in the armed forces. The school is pleased that members of the boys' families will be honoured guests at the Mass.

The school will also observe a minute's silence on Monday 11 November.



Chaplaincy

attendance **MATTERS**

The Attendance team are working hard to improve the school's attendance, so please continue to ensure your children are in school on time each day.

The winning tutor groups for this week are:

Year 7 - 7A
Year 8 - 8B
Year 9 - 9F
Year 10 - 10A and 10D
Year 11 - 11B

There will be prizes to be won at the end of this term for the winning tutor groups. 100% attendance will also be recognised and rewarded. One lucky student will win a £10 Nando's voucher - all they need to do is be in school everyday!

The Attendance Team - 02476 617231



Childnet is a UK-based charity set up to empower children, families and schools in the digital age, and its vision is to make the internet a safe place for children.

Childnet have updated their parent and carer toolkit that will help parents have conversations about online safety. Their booklet, 'Let's talk about life online', includes ten key messages that should be shared with children:

"You can always come to me if you need help."

"What would you do if this happened...?"

"Remember that not everyone is who they say they are online."

"Keep your personal information safe, and other people's too."

"Be respectful to others online."

"Think before you post."

"Remember to ask if it's okay."

"Remember not everything is true online."

"The things other people post online might not always show what their life is really like."

"Recognise how going online makes you feel and take a break when you need to."

The Parent and Carer Toolkit can be found here: <https://www.childnet.com/parents-and-carers/parent-and-carer-toolkit>

Safeguarding



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