

# CARDINAL WISEMAN

CATHOLIC SCHOOL

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## LEADERSHIP UPDATE

We are in the process of planning our KS4 curriculum for our current Year 9 pupils. This is the curriculum they will follow from September 2019 to July 2021.

The Option choices will be explained to pupils through assemblies and tutor time.

An Options booklet will be sent home with your child on Thursday 14 March. This will give you and your child the opportunity to look at the subjects being offered.

The following week on Thursday 21 March, we are holding our Year 9 Parents' Evening where progress reports can be collected and you will be able to discuss your child's progress with subject teachers. In the Sports Hall all subjects will be hosting a stand where you can discuss the KS4 Options available.

A coffee morning will be held to answer any queries on Thursday 28 March.

The final choice of Options needs submitting by Friday 29 March by completing the Options form included with the Options booklet.

### Key Dates:

**Week commencing Monday 4 March** — Options information given to pupils in school via assemblies / tutor groups.

**Thursday 14 March** — Options Booklet sent home.

**Thursday 21 March** — Progress Report, Parents' Evening & Option Choices Information Evening, 5-7pm.

**Thursday 28 March** — Options Coffee Morning, 9-10am, Library.

**Friday 29 March** — Deadline for Options Choice Form to be returned to school.

Mr Leverage, Mr Pearse and Mr Alcott will look at all pupil preferences. Should any issues arise, pupils and parents / guardians will be informed.

Option subjects allocated will be sent to parents once we have considered all pupil choices.

**Leadership Team**

## UPCOMING PARENTS' MEETINGS

**Thursday 7 March** — Year 13 Parents' Evening, 5-7pm — 6th Form Centre

**Friday 8 March** — Year 8 Parents' Coffee Morning, 9-10 am — Library



## Plas Dol y Moch Outdoor Education Centre

This May, Cardinal Wiseman Catholic School has organised two, four day adventurous activities educational visits to Plas Dol y Moch in Wales.

Years 7 and 8 will be away between 11-14 May, and Years 9 and 10 will be away between 14-17 May.

If you are interested in taking part or would like any further information, please speak to Mr Stockton in AQ2.



## Lent 2019 will begin on 6 March

Forgive those things we have done  
which have caused You sadness,  
and those things we should have done  
that would have brought You joy.  
In both we have failed  
ourselves and You.  
Bring us back to that place  
where our journey began,  
when we said that we would follow  
the way that You first trod.  
Lead us to the Cross  
and meet us there.



# WORLD BOOK DAY

7 MARCH 2019

# It's World Book Day!

## 7 March is World Book Day

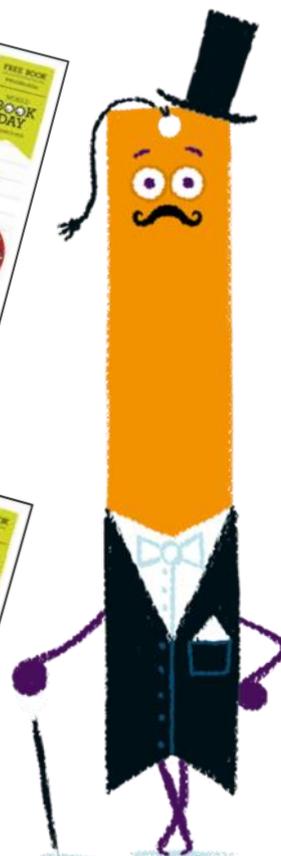
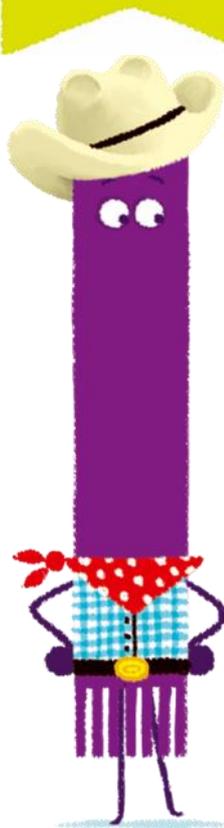
There are £1 book vouchers available from the library. With one of these you can go to most book sellers and exchange it for one of the special World Book Day titles.

This year these special books include stories by Jeff Kinney, Rick Riordan and Malorie Blackman.

You could also use your voucher to reduce the price of any other book (originally costing £2.99 or more) by £1.00—this could be a revision guide!

In school, the library has also organised a whole school game of Book Bingo where teachers hold the clues you need to complete a bingo card.

See Miss Gould for more details





Congratulations to Russell Jimmy Jacob,  
our latest  
Year 7 Accelerated Reader Millionaire!



**DESIGN &  
TECHNOLOGY**

**Applied Arts Student of the Week**



**Our 'Designer of the Week' in Design & Technology is  
Sophie Byrne in Year 11**

As part of her GCSE coursework Sophie was asked to design and make a product for a person with a disability. She has designed and made a bespoke bowl and plate for her client, who is a young adult with physical difficulties.

Not only has Sophie produced an outcome that is unique and of high quality, her coursework has been completed well before the GCSE deadline.

Well done Sophie.

# GAMING RISKS!

## Online Games

Security risks are rife in online gaming/apps. Scammers create unsecure websites, fake messages requesting financial information, offers of free games or surveys that trick players into giving up their personal details. Also be aware that many games have a chat feature which allows gamers to communicate with other players. The game's chat feature could allow online predators to communicate with your child.

## Console Games



Games, just like films, have age ratings which are regulated by PEGI. These show how old you need to be in order to legally buy a game in the UK. PEGI have also created a set of content descriptors which show at a glance what content will be seen in the game and give an indication to why it received its rating. There are eight such descriptors: bad language, discrimination, drugs, fear, gambling, sex, violence and online gameplay with other people.

If you'd like to know more about Pegi games ratings please visit [www.pegi.info](http://www.pegi.info) where you can also type in the game title to check for content/ratings/risks.

Safeguarding