



CARDINAL WISEMAN

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CATHOLIC SCHOOL

LEADERSHIP UPDATE

This Sunday's gospel has Jesus tell his disciples that 'no servant can be the slave of two masters - you cannot be the slave of both God and of money.'

We are fortunate that in our school community we have many students who are focused on using money to better the lives of others, giving regularly to local charities, to Malawi and to CAFOD. As a Catholic school, giving is something that we believe is at our core; a part of our mission to make the world a better and more equitable place.

This week has been another fantastic week full of excellent teaching and learning. Our routines are now firmly established and we are keen to ensure that the classroom environment is one that will allow progress to be made in all subject areas. Our Google Classroom platform is being used for setting homework so if you are ever concerned that your child doesn't have enough, please ask them to check on there and the area on the website that can be accessed securely where all of the KS3 Knowledge Booklets are kept. For KS4, all students have access to GCSEPod and can target and pinpoint key areas of their learning to revise and improve.

Members of our Senior Leadership Team were able to visit the other Romero Primary Schools this week and speak about the fantastic start to the year that we have had. It has been wonderful to see so many of our parents at these events with younger siblings who are also keen to join the Wiseman journey. It gives us immense pride to see how many of our children flourish from their feeder schools to when they leave us at the age of 19. Many of our Sixth Form students are already looking at University Open Days which we are thrilled to see and support them with the next step of their learning journey.

Have a happy and holy weekend.

The Leadership Team



Important Date

Year 8 Parents' Coffee Morning
Friday 4 October
9.00-10.00 am

**Congratulations to Cardinal Wiseman's
Year 7 & 8 boys' football teams
who played Stoke Park School last week**

Year 7 won 4-1

Year 8 won 9-5

This was the first game of the new academic year for both teams. Year 7 played exceptionally well considering this was the first time that they had played together as a team. They were leading 3-0 at 60 minutes and then Stoke Park got one goal back but our boys responded with another goal to seal the win at 4-1. Year 8 played a thrilling game against Stoke Park with a goal feast of 14 goals in total being secured throughout the game.

All students were a true credit to the school. Well done boys!



attendance ~~MATTERS~~

Winning groups for attendance this week:

Year 7- 7A
Year 8 - 8E
Year 9 - 9F
Year 10 - 10A
Year 11 - 11B



We will be launching some new initiatives in Attendance and are always happy to be able to reward good attendance. Thank you for your continued support with ensuring your children are attending school and arriving on time.

We are always available to support parents and pupils, so please feel free to contact us if you have any questions or concerns.

Miss Davoudian and Mrs Shannon



Year 11 are Introduced to the Top Universities

A Year 11 'Aim Higher' trip to the University of Birmingham with Mr Rutherford and Mr Forinton took place on Tuesday 17 September.

The students visited the university campus and were introduced to the Russell Group Universities, which include Oxford and are often seen, by employers, as the top British universities. The importance of obtaining good grades at GCSE and other requirements to attain places at these universities were outlined by the speakers.



On 24 September, students from Cardinal Wiseman attended a Chaplaincy Mass at Saint Chad's Cathedral in Birmingham. Every school from the diocese came together to pray for the coming year.



October is the Month of the Rosary in the Catholic calendar. Students will be marking this celebration during tutor time throughout the month.



Chaplaincy Team

Please be a Polite 'Picker-upper'



Could we please ask parents and carers, who drop off and pick up students from school, not to park on residents' driveways or in and around the bus bay.

Our local community is important to us, so please drive and park with due care and consideration.

Parking outside schools is a safeguarding issue—please let's keep our children and the public safe and happy.

Thank you.



Keep your bank details safe!

Teenagers' bank accounts targeted for money laundering

Recently more and more teenagers with bank accounts have been targeted by criminals to help them 'launder' money. The money gathered by drug dealing and other crimes is given to a young person to put into their bank account and transfer it into another account, keeping a proportion themselves. These unwitting victims are known as money mules.

Social media is used to recruit the youngsters with promises of 'easy money' working 'from home'. The number of cases of 14 to 18-year-olds who have allowed their bank accounts to be used to divert funds has grown by 73% over the last two years to nearly 6,000 cases. Getting involved in this fraud can lead to a jail sentence of up to 14 years and lead to problems with banking in the future.

A website has been launched to raise awareness of this fraud by UK Finance, a partnership of banks and Cifas, a not-for-profit fraud prevention organisation.

Top Tips from Action Fraud

- 1. Keep control.** Don't give away any of your bank account details, unless you know and trust the person receiving them – and never let anyone else access your account. Alarmingly, nearly one in seven (14 per cent) over 18 - 25s have shared their PIN with someone else.
- 2. Money for nothing?** Be cautious of unsolicited offers of easy money as this is a common tactic used by criminals to recruit money mules.
- 3. Tell someone you trust.** Whether it's a parent, teacher or friend, make sure you tell someone you trust about any concerns you might have.
- 4. Take time to think.** Remember that letting someone else use your bank account is a potentially serious crime which could damage your financial future – is it worth it?
- 5. Too good to be true?** Remember the simple rule of thumb about offers of easy money: if it looks too good to be true, it probably is.

'Don't be Fooled' website: <https://moneymules.co.uk>

Safeguarding



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