

Newsletter



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Dear Parents and Carers,

As we approach the end of the academic year, I would like to thank you for your continued support during these difficult past few months. Lockdown has been incredibly challenging and frustrating for all. As a school community we are very much looking forward to returning to a more normal way of working in September and look forward to being able to welcome back more of our wonderful pupils that we have missed so much.

In preparation for September, all subjects will be posting enrichment work via Google Classroom for all year groups. This is not compulsory work and there is no obligation for students to complete it, but we know that many families are keen to continue to close the learning gap over the holiday. This summer work will be comprised of a range of different activities for pupils to complete independently at home without support from teaching staff. It will obviously not be as detailed as the weekly work set during term time, but should support what is needed for a smooth transition back in September.

Some staff are sadly leaving at the end of this year, be it for retirement, or pastures new, and we wish them all the best for the future, none more so than Ms Farrugia, who is retiring after over forty years in education. More information can be found inside and we wish all those leaving us the best for the future.

There is a lot of information in this edition of the newsletter regarding provisional plans for opening in September and other important updates. We will also be sending out much reduced reports in the next week by post. We will commission short reports in the Autumn Term, depending on when we hear more from the government about how schools can operate.

I hope that you and your family have the best summer break possible in the circumstances, and look forward to beginning again in September.

Have a happy, holy, and restful break.

God bless.

Mr Everett
Head of School



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18 July 2020

Dear Parent/Carer

Arrangements for the Autumn term

I write to confirm our plans for a full reopening of Cardinal Wiseman Catholic School in September. Based on current guidance from the Department of Education, I detail below the plans for how we will be able to safely operate during the autumn term and specific arrangements for the start of the next academic year.

Summary of provision for the Autumn term

- Students will be placed in year group bubbles. Each year group will have their own assigned area of the School, set start and finish times and a set place of entry and exit. It is important that students and families stick to these times so that important health and safety routines are maintained. Students will be expected to go straight home at the end of the day.

	Year 7	Year 8	Year 9	Year 10	Year 11	Post 16
Entry / exit	Main gate	Main gate	Bus bay gate	Bus bay gate	Science gate	Science gate
Start time	08:50	09:10	08:50	09:10	08:50	09:10
End time	15:10	15:20	15:10	15:20	15:10	15:20
Teaching Block	St Aquinas	St Joseph	St Francis (Fr09 - 16)	St Peter's	St Luke	St Francis (Fr01 - 08)

- Teachers will teach across the bubbles but will be required to follow social distancing guidelines in all areas of the School including classrooms.
- Year groups will not mix and will have use of specific toilets.
- Break and lunch times will be staggered with assigned zones for each year group.
- Access to canteen facilities has been extended to three locations.
- The School will offer the full curriculum to all students in all key stages.
- Curriculum plans and schemes of work have been reviewed and updated following the partial closure so that both students' academic and emotional needs can be met.
- A rigorous cleaning schedule will be in place before, during and at the end of the School day to ensure high standards of cleanliness are maintained.

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Arrangements for the start of term

A phased start is required at the start of the academic year in order to induct students back into the School in a safe and organised way. Initially, the focus will be to remind students of the expectations for learning, behaviour and safety after a significant period of absence and so they are clear about any changes to the rules and procedures they will need to follow to maintain their safety and the safety of others.

(Note: Entry/exit points and teaching blocks for each year group are as detailed above.)

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| • Tuesday 1 September 2020 | Staff Inset day |
| • Wednesday 2 September 2020 | Staff Inset day |
| • Thursday 3 September 2020 | Year 7 - Induction and Transition activities 09:00 - 15:00 |
| | Year 11 - Induction 08:50 - 11:40 |
| | Post 16 - Induction 09:10 - 11:30 |
| • Friday 4 September 2020 | Year 7 - Transition activities 08:50 - 15:10 |
| | Year 8 - Induction 09:10 - 11:30 |
| | Year 9 - Induction 09:10 - 11:30 |
| | Year 10 - Induction 08:50 - 11:40 |
| | Year 11 - Lessons 08:50 - 15:10 |
| | Post 16 - Lessons 09:10 - 15:20 |

Thank you for your continued support at this time. Should you have any questions, please contact your son/daughter's head of year or tutor who should be able to answer your queries. If you have any safeguarding concerns that have arisen over the course of lockdown, please contact our Designated Safeguarding Lead Mrs S Marshment (smarshment@cardinalwiseman.coventry.sch.uk).

I would like to take this opportunity to thank you for your unwavering support throughout the COVID19 pandemic. I wish you and your families a safe and restful summer and look forward to seeing your son/daughter in September.

Yours faithfully



T J Leverage MA (Cantab)
Executive Principal



A fond farewell to Ms Farrugia who is retiring at the end of this academic year.

First and foremost, Ms Farrugia has been an outstanding teacher throughout her extensive career. As one of the most respected members of staff, she has always been one of the most approachable colleagues for teachers, experienced and new, to go to for support and guidance. She has given a great deal of her life and soul to Cardinal Wiseman School and her kindness and friendship will be greatly missed by staff and students alike.

She has been a real asset to both the RE department and the whole school for almost twenty years and she has been teaching in Catholic education for over forty years. She started in the primary sector before making the transition to secondary education, which was very much their loss and our gain.

She has been instrumental in supporting the Catholic life of the school including leading pilgrimages to Lourdes and retreats with our students at Soli House. She has been a stalwart in the education of thousands of students over the years who have benefited not only from her academic capabilities but also by her caring nature, acting as a guide and mentor to them. She has genuinely influenced generations of students through her teaching and as a role model.

She is a fantastic teacher and one that truly lives out her faith. On behalf of all our students, parents, staff and the broader Cardinal Wiseman family, we thank her for her incredible service and wish her the happiest retirement imaginable.

Thank you Mr Hobson

Mr Hobson has been a valued member of the Humanities department this past year, and has a witty sense of humour that has lightened up break and lunchtimes! He will be missed and we wish him all the best for the future.

Good Luck and Well Done Ms Gilbert-Dillon

We say a fond farewell to Ms Gilbert-Dillon who joined us two years ago in the English Faculty as a Teach First trainee and having now successfully completed her course, is moving on to broaden her experience. She has been a dedicated and highly valued member of the English Team who will be keenly missed by staff and students alike, and we wish her every success in her new adventures!

Best Wishes and Thank You Miss Davis

Miss Davis is leaving us to complete her training to become an English teacher. The staff and students in the Trinity Centre thank her for all of her hard work and support.

Farewell Messages for Year 11

*Year 11 days are now over,
It's time to turn the page,
Your future is ahead of you,
The next step a whole new phase.*

May the path you take be a good one,

Where many dreams come true,

We wish you all the best in life,

And good luck in all you do.

I just wanted to let you all know what an absolute pleasure it has been to be your Head of Year since September. I know the year ended suddenly and unexpectedly back in March but the progress and effort many of you showed and were making since the start of the year was a real credit to you all.

It made coming in to work each day so much easier, even on those cold dark mornings, knowing that I was going to be working so closely with such a fantastic group of students, full of characters and pupils that made me proud to be your Year Head.

I genuinely wish all of you the very best in your exam results and the future wherever that may be. Thank you for making the six months such enjoyable ones!

I look forward to seeing lots of you soon

All the best
Mr Forinton

Dear Year 11,

I just wanted to start by saying how immensely proud of you all I am. You are an exceptional group of young people and I hope each and every one of you goes on to achieve your dreams whatever that may be. Times may be tough at the minute and I imagine some of you are feeling very uncertain about the future but hold your head up high and carry on because you are a Cardinal Wiseman student and Cardinal Wiseman students go on to achieve great things. Take advantage of every opportunity you get and give it your all. Live life with no regrets and go have the best experiences.

It's been a pleasure and I will miss you all. Year 11, I wish you every success in life.

Best regards
Mrs Chen

It was a huge pleasure to have met you all! May the road rise up to meet you, may the wind always be at your back, I wish you all success and happiness in your future. Good luck!

Thank you, Mr Moore

Well, what a journey it has been! You should be extremely proud of the hard work you have done throughout Year 10 and 11.

It has been an absolute pleasure to be a Year 11 tutor this year, you will all be greatly missed. Wishing you the very best of luck on the pathway you have chosen, whether if be with us here at Cardinal Wiseman or on to pastures new.

Miss Morgan



Parent/ Carer Survey – Your Voice Matters

At Cardinal Wiseman School, we strive to provide a high-quality of education in which all our pupils reach their God-given potential; your view is important in providing feedback on how *well* we are achieving our vision.

To this end, we are delighted to share our third annual survey to parents/carers across all eight schools within The Romero Catholic Academy until the end of term.



Through this survey, we would like to know what you think is working well and what you would like us to improve. We have added some additional aspects in light of the current climate and we thank you for your patience as we have navigated the last four months.

The survey takes approximately 6 minutes to complete and comments are optional. You can provide your details or you may answer the questionnaire anonymously if you would prefer. As always, if you wish to raise a concern, there is a process to follow and we appreciate you bring it directly to the attention to staff at the school so we can resolve the matter in a speedy manner.

We would like to take this opportunity to ‘thank you’ in advance for completing our survey. The survey will be analysed at school level and across Romero as the results will be collated and viewed by the Board of Directors. We will share the responses and the key themes emerging in autumn with a ‘You said, we did’ update in our newsletter.

The link is <https://www.surveymonkey.co.uk/r/Romero2020>





SUMMER PROGRAMME

Monday 27th July - Friday 28th August, 2020			
Monday	YOUTH CAFE Age 7-16 10am - 12pm Entry & Breakfast Batch FREE		GIRLS GROUP Age 12-16 4pm - 6pm FREE
Tuesday	DANCE Age 7-11 1pm - 3pm £1 per session		DANCE Age 12-16 4pm - 6pm £1 per session
Wednesday	MEDIA Age 7-11 1pm - 3pm £1 per session	BOX FIT Age 12-16 4pm - 6pm £1 per session	MUSIC Age 12-16 6pm - 8pm £1 per session
Thursday	ARTS & CRAFT Age 7-11 1pm - 3pm £1 per session	ARTS & CRAFT Age 12-16 4pm - 6pm £1 per session	GAMES NIGHT Age 17+ 6pm - 8pm £1 per session
Friday	COOKING Age 7-11 1pm - 3pm £1 per session	COOKING Age 12-16 4pm - 6pm £1 per session	GAMES NIGHT Age 12-16 4pm - 6pm £1 per session
For more info email: leah@cbgc.org.uk For details on our COVID-19 procedures visit cbgc.org.uk Coventry Boys and Girls Club Whitefriars Street, Coventry, CV1 2DS			



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CBGC IN THE PARK

SPORTS, DANCE, BOXING & MUSIC IN THE PARK EVERY WEEK

Monday 27th July - Friday 28th August, 2020

Monday	Stoke Aldermoor Pinley Gardens, CV3 1DF	12:00pm - 1:30pm
	Stoke Charterhouse Field, CV1 2JQ	1:45pm - 3:15pm
	Spon End Play Park, CV1 3EQ	3:30pm - 5:00pm
Wednesday	Manor Farm (Multi Use Games Area) Caradoc Close CV2 1QU	12:30pm - 2:00pm
	Hillfields (Multi Use Games Area) Primrose park CV1 5JT	2:15pm - 3:45pm
Friday	Radford (Multi Use Games Area) Daimler Green CV6 3LR	12:00pm - 1:30pm
	Holbrooks (Multi Use Games Area) Holbrooks Park CV6 4EZ	1:45pm - 3:15pm
	Stoke Aldermoor The Lindfield CV3 1FL	3:30pm - 5:00pm

Sessions are FREE. For more info email: leah@cbgc.org.uk
 For details on our COVID-19 procedures visit cbgc.org.uk
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TRY OUR FANTASTIC NEW CATERING SERVICE

FROM SEPTEMBER WITH
Tom O'Reilly

The catering team within The Romero Academy will provide every customer, whether it be pupil or staff, with a high quality first class meal and dining experience within every school across The Academy.

We strive to be a Beacon of Excellence in everything that we do and we will now apply this to our new catering service. By taking catering in-house it has allowed us to hold school meal prices at £2.22 for the academic Year 2020/21.

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100% CUSTOMER FOCUSED

With more than 30 years' experience within the hospitality industry Tom O'Reilly will support The Romero Academy as we take our currently outsourced catering in-house from September. Expect a healthy menu with focus on fresh, quality food from local suppliers.

Pupils, parents and staff will also be able to influence the dishes served up in your child's school. Tom and the team will be working hard over the Summer break to produce menus ready for your return in September.

**Please encourage your child to try the new improved menu
from September. Further details to follow.**



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SAFEGUARDING If you need help or support during summer please call your local Family Hub

Find a hub near you



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Family Hubs in Coventry



1. Pathways Family Hub

Radford Primary School
Lawrence Saunders Rd,
Coventry CV6 1HD
Tel: 024 7678 8444

2. Mosaic Family Hub

Jardine Crescent,
Coventry
CV4 9PL
Tel: 024 7678 7801

3. Aspire Family Hub

Gosford Park Primary School
Humber Rd, Coventry
CV1 2SF
Tel: 024 7678 8489

4. Wood Side Family Hub

Middle Ride, Coventry
CV3 3GN
Tel: 024 7678 8430

5. The Moat Family Hub

Moat House Primary School
Deedmore Road, Coventry
CV2 1EQ
Tel: 024 7678 5621

6. Park Edge Family Hub

Roseberry Avenue,
Coventry
CV2 1NE
Tel: 024 7678 6868

7. Families For All Hub

454 Foleshill Rd,
Coventry
CV6 5LB
Tel: 024 7678 5575

8. Harmony Hub

Clifton St, Coventry
CV1 5GR
Tel: 024 7678 7474



Further information can be found at www.coventry.gov.uk/familyhubs



What is a family hub?

A family hub is a place where children, young people and their families can go when in need of help and support.

The people working in the family hub will work in partnership with you and your community. They will help you find and get help from different services in the area and will be able to give you information, advice and support.

Who can access a family hub?

There will be a range of services available. Some will be available only to those who have the greatest needs but there will also be services available to any family, child or young person who needs them (for example baby health clinics and adult education classes).

Examples of services offered:

- Support for young people aged 11 to 19 (targeted youth support work)
- Family support which may be offered within the home
- Support to children with special educational needs and their families
- A range of child and family health activities including baby wellbeing clinic and C-Card distribution points
- Parenting support
- Support with managing finances and getting back into work or training

How do I get help from a family hub?

Getting help from a family hub is simple, you can walk-in during opening times which will be widely publicised; you can telephone; or a professional person can refer you. Wherever you live in the city, you will be able to get help from one of our eight family hubs.

Most of the workers who provide support as part of a family hub will also work in other buildings across the city. To support our partnership working, this might be in a community centre, school or health clinic for example.

If you are unable to get to a family hub building, you will be able to get support in your own home or in the local community.

Some examples of the types of situations that the family hub service could offer help with:

I'm struggling with my seven year old son's behaviour, he seems to be having regular temper tantrums which I am worried about because he sometimes throws himself on the floor. I need help for me to help him.

The family hub will be able to support families and offer practical advice on positive parenting, looking at causes of a child's behaviour, encouraging desirable behaviour and developing strong family relationships.

The family hub will provide family support which may include practical help looking at routines, direct work with the child around his emotional wellbeing and parenting support for mum.

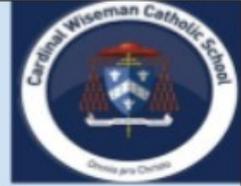
I have recently separated from my partner who used to drink too much and would become aggressive towards me. Since my partner has moved out my three year old son (who was toilet trained) has started to have accidents particularly at night time and I'm getting really stressed. What can the family hub do to help me?

I've noticed that my 16 year old daughter is maybe a little quieter than normal. When I asked her about it, she eventually told me she was feeling pressured by her friends to have sex for the first time with her boyfriend. What help could I get from a family hub?

The family hub could arrange for a youth worker to meet her and over a few sessions work through healthy relationships and talk to her about the C-Card scheme (safe sex support).



ATTENDANCE



Thank you for your continued support!

As we break up for the summer holidays at the end of an unusual year, we would like to thank all students and their families for keeping in contact with us. We look forward to seeing you all soon.

Thank you from the Attendance Team at Cardinal Wiseman.



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