

NEXT STEPS

The official Cardinal Wiseman Transition Newsletter

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Welcome from Mr Blair

Head of Year 7

My name is Mr Blair and I am your Head of Year from September. I am really looking forward to meeting you and getting to know every single one of you.

I have been a teacher at Cardinal Wiseman School for four years and currently teach Health & Social Care and PE. I have a real passion for my subjects and cannot wait to help you build an enthusiasm for learning in all the subjects you will undertake here at Cardinal Wiseman.

We are busy preparing your Transition Day in July which we hope will give you the opportunity to make lots of new friends as well as meeting your new form tutor and other key members of staff who will be attached to Year 7 in September. We also hope that any questions that you may have about the school, subjects you will learn or clubs after school will be answered on the day.

In the meantime remember to keep looking on our media sites to keep up to date with news.

Some journeys take us far from home. Some lead us to our destiny.

The Lion the Witch and the Wardrobe. C.S.Lewis



Reflection



The final half term is always a great joy for me. The days are longer, the sun is normally beating down and the prospect of the summer holidays is tantalisingly close. It is also a time of sadness as we wave goodbye to our Year 11 and Year 13 students - but this sadness is shared with an excitement for the new students to arrive from Year 6.

I remember moving from Year 6 to 7 as a time of really mixed emotions. I was sad to be leaving my primary school, sad to be leaving some friends who wouldn't be coming to my secondary school, nervous about the "big school", finding my way around and all of the new subjects and classes. I was also excited for the new opportunities, new friends and the journey that lay ahead. I imagine many of our Year Six students (and their parents) are feeling the same way!

The Bible is filled with scripture to support us through all of these emotions and more. Ecclesiastes 3 reminds and reassures us that there is "a time for everything... a time to weep and a time to laugh... a time to mourn and a time to dance... a time to plant and a time to uproot".

What is important is that regardless of how we are feeling our hope and faith should remain in the Lord. The prophet Isaiah tells us that if we place our hope in the Lord we will "soar like eagles". As we move from this term into the next, and potentially from one school to another, it is vital that our faith remains strong. When we feel worried or concerned, turn to Jesus for hope. When we feel lost or unsure, turn to Jesus for guidance. When we feel filled with joy, turn to Jesus in thanksgiving. Place your hope and faith in the Lord and the next weeks and months will be a hugely rewarding time!

By Tom Machin
Cardinal Wiseman's Lay Chaplain





Subject Spotlight History

My name is Mr Bench and I'm the Head of History and Humanities here at Cardinal Wiseman .

At Key Stage 3 our historians have now moved onto their final topics of the year, finishing their overarching historical enquiries.

In Year 7 we are concluding our study into 'The Development of Civilisation' through an investigation into the British Empire where students will assess why Britain wanted an Empire, the huge impact it had on other nations and the legacy it has left today.

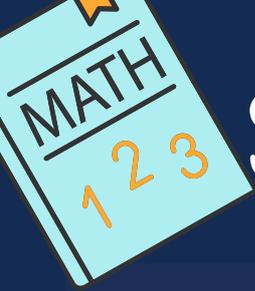
In Year 8 we have been spending the year studying 'Protest, Oppression and Division'. After looking at numerous groups who have faced discrimination throughout the year, we are finishing with a case study of the African-American Civil Rights Movement to see how courageous individuals stood up to an oppressive government.

The Year 9 depth study into 'The Making of the Modern World' is concluding with 'The Making of Modern Britain' to assess how the country that the students live in today came to be.

Our new Year 7s in September will begin their own historical enquiry into 'The Development of Civilisation' starting with a new and exciting topic into The Viking and Anglo Saxon world to assess whether Britain before 1066 truly was a 'dark age'. We cannot wait to begin this historical journey then!

Mr Bench
Head of History and Humanities





Subject Spotlight Maths

My name is Mr Wheat and I'm the Head of Maths at Cardinal Wiseman and I absolutely love Maths!

At the moment Year 7 are working on units to do with probability and how it relates to a Venn diagram. They will then finish the year off by looking at types of number - multiples, factors primes and how the Venn diagram can be used to help us find highest common factors.

We are really looking forward to seeing you in September when we will be starting with some work on sequences, including drawing the graph of a sequence and describing a sequence using algebra. This is a really important part of Maths that is developed alongside other skills such as working with fractions and percentages, calculating averages and drawing and measuring angles.

Some of the other topics in Year 7 include measuring and constructing shapes, solving complex angle problems, Venn diagrams, probability and using prime numbers to find highest common factors and lowest common multiples.

Our aim throughout is to help you demonstrate a strong understanding of Maths and one of the great things about the course is that there are lots of opportunities for you to explain your reasoning and understanding to others. In class, you will not only use your exercise books, but you will use mini-whiteboards to help you refine your thinking and show your understanding of each step of problem solving.

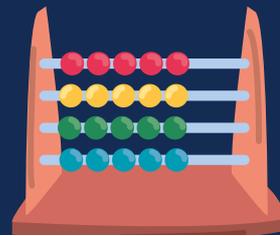
I love a good number problem, so to finish off here is one for you!

Mr Wheat
Head of Maths



24 Game Challenge

- Make the number 24 from the four numbers shown. You can add, subtract, multiply and divide.
- Use all four numbers on the card, but use each number only once.
- You do not have to use all four operations.
- There can be more than one solution.



Subject Spotlight Art

My name is Mrs Hopkins and I am Head of the Creative Arts Faculty.

FORMAL SKILLS

In Year 7 you explore the different formal elements in Art, developing your practical formal skills as well as your knowledge of artist styles and techniques.

Colour



FORMAL ELEMENTS



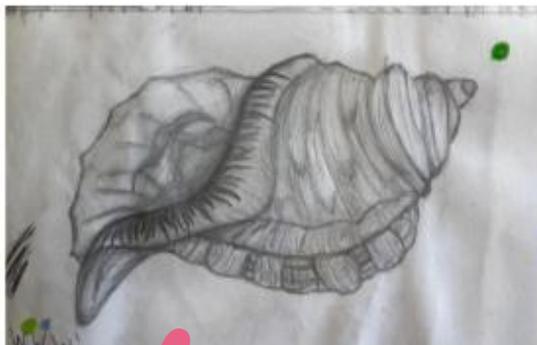
Tone



Shape



Form



Line

Texture



Pattern





Subject Spotlight PE

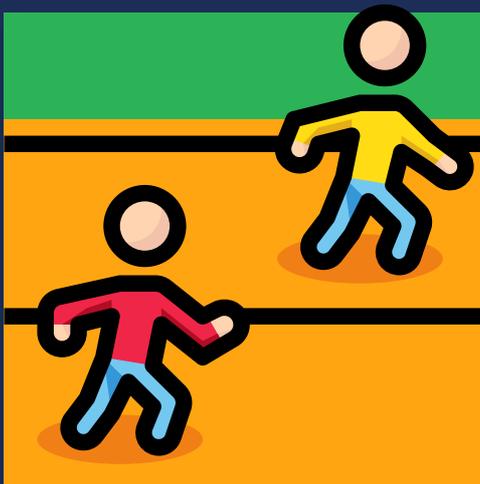


Welcome to the Cardinal Wiseman PE Department. We offer a variety of sports and activities for boys and girls including outdoor adventure activities, football, rugby, netball, basketball, athletics, trampolining, tennis, badminton, handball, swimming and rounders. In our enrichment clubs after school you have the opportunity to pursue these sports further as well as receive coaching from professional coaches including Wasps Rugby Club and Guardian Ballers Basketball Programme as well as other coaches in sports as interesting and diverse such as the Japanese martial art of Judo.

If successful to be selected, you also have the opportunity to represent the school and receive club colours that you can wear on your blazer with pride for football, basketball, netball, rugby and athletics.

At Cardinal Wiseman we have a proven track record of success in sport across the city and region. The current Year 10 Football team won the Coventry Cup in the 2019/20 season. We have had success in other sports including netball, basketball, indoor athletic and rowing to name but a few.

Mr Page
Head of PE Faculty



New Year 7 Form Tutors

7A

Hi I am Miss Hewson and I teach Business and ICT here at Cardinal Wiseman. I am passionate about Business and I enjoy teaching entrepreneurship the most, with one of my favourite shows on TV being The Apprentice. I have lots of hobbies, some of them include playing basketball, going to the gym and hiking. I am a very "outdoorsy" person and enjoy getting involved with anything to do with being outside or participating in sports.

7B

My name is Miss Christie, and I am an English teacher at the Cardinal Wiseman School. I have recently moved to Coventry from Leicester, (where I went to university), but I grew up in London. My hobbies are reading, blogging, and travelling. I like discovering that there are many ways to live and that our perceptions of life vary across different countries, cultures, and communities. I am super excited about meeting the new Year 7s in September. I just know that you will have a brilliant time here.

7C

Welcome to Cardinal Wiseman Year 7. My name is Miss Dewis and I am very excited to support you as your tutor through your first year at Cardinal Wiseman. I know this will be a very exciting time for you filled with questions, which I will be here to answer. As well as being your form tutor I also teach Art within a fantastic department. Welcome to the Cardinal Wiseman family and I look forward to guiding you through this transition.

7D

Hello Year 7! My name is Dr Alasah and I am really looking forward to meeting you all and being your form tutor. I currently teach Geography and hope to teach lots of you! Outside of school I enjoy gardening and growing my own produce in my allotment. I also organise and take part in charitable and social events.

New Year 7 Form Tutors

7E

Hi! My name is Miss Essex and I will be one of the Year 7 form tutors in September. I will be teaching English and Media - two of my main passions in life. Outside of the classroom, I love reading, writing poetry, going to music events, and watching films to unwind and relax. The most important things in my life are my family, my cat, and continuing my own education to be the best teacher I can be. I can't wait to meet you all!

7F

My name is Mr Freeman and I am a RE teacher here at Cardinal Wiseman. I have been teaching for over 15 years and I am incredibly passionate about my subject. I particularly enjoy singing especially religious hymns! Outside of school I am a keen runner as well as enjoying reading. I also have a great sense for justice and fairness which often gets me involved in campaigns outside of school. I look forward to meeting you all very soon.

7G

Hi, I am Miss Bulayima (but you can call me Miss B)! I am a native French speaker and a new addition to the English department. However, English literature and language are not my only delights! I am also an avid musician who is classically trained on the violin. I am creative, kind, and fun (I'd like to think) and looking forward to working with you in the next academic year!

7H

I'm Miss Rowstron and I teach English and I am super excited about joining you as a Year 7 tutor this year. Outside of school I enjoy spending time with my friends, family and my dog Willow as well as going to the gym to keep fit and healthy. Over May half term, I was a bridesmaid for my sister's wedding in Greece (where my favourite movie Mamma Mia was set) which was an important moment for me and all of my family because we all got to meet up and spend time together. I can't wait to meet you all and embark on this new journey together.



ENRICHMENT

PE Faculty Activities

Badminton Club (**Year 7**) Monday 3.20-4.30

Guardian Ballers Basketball (**Years 8, 9 Girls**) Tuesday 3.30-4.30

Football Club (**Year 8 Boys**) Tuesday 3.30-4.30

Strength & Conditioning Fitness Club (**Key Stage 4**) Tuesday 3.30-4.30

Strength & Conditioning Fitness Club (**Years 8, 9**) Wednesday 3.30-4.15

Trampolining Club (**Key Stage 3**) Wednesday 3.30-4.15

Guardian Ballers Basketball (**Years 8, 9 Boys**) Thursday 3.30-4.30

Football Club (**Key Stage 3 Girls**) Thursday 3.30-4.30

Netball (**Years 7, 8**) Thursday 3.30-4.30

Performing Arts Activities

Glee Club (**All Years**) Tuesday 3.30-4.20 **Theatre**

Drama Club (**Key Stage 3**) Wednesday 3.30-4.20 **Theatre**

Choir Club (**All Years**) Thursday 3.30-4.20 **CC10**

English Faculty Activities

Harry Potter Club (**All Years**) Wednesday 3.30-4.00 **FR03**

Languages Faculty Activities

Latin For Life (**Years 8, 9, 10**) Thursday 3.30-4.20 **AQ06**

The Language Club (**All Years**) Thursday 3.30-4.30 **RM03**

History Faculty Activity

Ye-Olde History Club (**Key Stage 3**) Wednesday 3.30-4.00 **AQ09**

Science Faculty Activity

Rocket Club (**Years 7, 8, 9, 10**) Contact Mr Hermitage for more details.

Art Faculty Activity

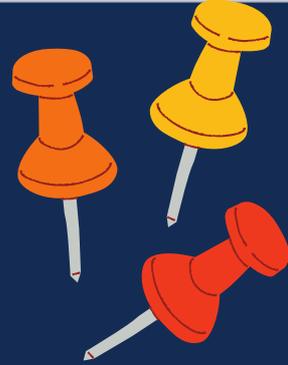
Art Club (**Key Stage 3**) Tuesday 3.20-4.10 **JS01**

Maths Faculty Activity

Maths Club (**Year 7**) Tuesday 3.30-4.30 **FR09**



Important Information



from Mr Alcott

We are really looking forward to welcoming Year 6 students to Cardinal Wiseman on Transition Day, Wednesday 6 July 2022. As a reminder:

- The day will begin at 8.50am when we invite you to drop your child off at the front gates to be welcomed by their new Head of Year 7, Mr Blair and senior leaders.
- Students are asked to arrive at school in their primary school uniforms.
- A free lunch will be provided which will include a meat or vegetarian option. Any other snacks should be brought from home as students will not be able to purchase food or drinks on site.

- Please make sure your son or daughter is equipped with a hat, water and suntan lotion, as students will be outside for part of the day.
- The day will end at 3.00pm when we invite you to collect your child from the front gates.

Mr Alcott
Head of Key Stage 3



Key Staff



Mr Everett, Principal



Ms Burtonwood, Vice Principal



Mrs Hirons, Senior Assistant Principal



Mrs Alton, Assistant Principal



Mr Alcott, Head of Key Stage 3



Mr Blair, Head of Year 7



Mrs Sammin, HLTA (Behaviour)



Mrs Oliver, Head of SENCO