



Student Chaplaincy Lead, Ciaran, reading a prayer at St Chad's Cathedral in Birmingham for the annual Chaplaincy Commissioning Mass

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Cardinal Wiseman Catholic School Newsletter

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Dear Parents and Carers

The beginning of the new term has been a mixture of sadness and joy. The passing of Her Majesty, Queen Elizabeth II has been sombre and a point of reflection for all. As a school community however, the first weeks of the new academic year have also had moments of celebration. One particular highlight has been to welcome our new Year 7 and Year 12 students who have made excellent starts to their studies. It was also wonderful to meet so many new faces during the Open Evening last week and I would like to thank you for the many positive emails and comments that have been sent in as a result of that evening. Our staff, pupils and other colleagues within the Romero family, worked incredibly hard to showcase all that we have on offer here at Cardinal Wiseman and we were delighted with the overwhelming turnout.

This week many talented students across all three Key Stages auditioned for our first school production post Covid, 'The Wizard of Oz'. The talent and enthusiasm of the students was incredible to see and we are incredibly proud of the courage demonstrated by these individuals. I am certainly looking forward to watching the final production which will be showcased during the Spring Term. Further details of this will be released in due course, along with details of other Performing Arts events that are scheduled for this academic year.

The success of the after school enrichment clubs has continued this term and when I have wandered around the site after school, it has been fantastic to see the students so engaged with the variety of activities. I would encourage all students to look at the enrichment timetable and get involved.

September is the month the Church dedicates to "Our Lady of Sorrows". This is one of the many Marian devotions within the Church and reflects on the difficult or sorrowful moments in Mary's life this has been particular apt in recent weeks. As we enter the month of October, which is dedicated to the Holy Rosary, We pray to Our Lady to guide and support us in any difficulties that we may face .

Thank you for your continued support and I wish you all a lovely weekend

Yours faithfully,

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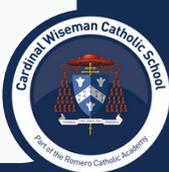
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NOTICES



INFORMATION EVENING

Thurs 6 October 2022

5PM - 6.30PM

JOIN US FOR AN EVENING WITH THE YEAR 11
TEAM TO DISCUSS THE YEAR AHEAD AND THE
NEXT STEPS FOR YOUR CHILD.



#BelIncredible #WeAreWiseman



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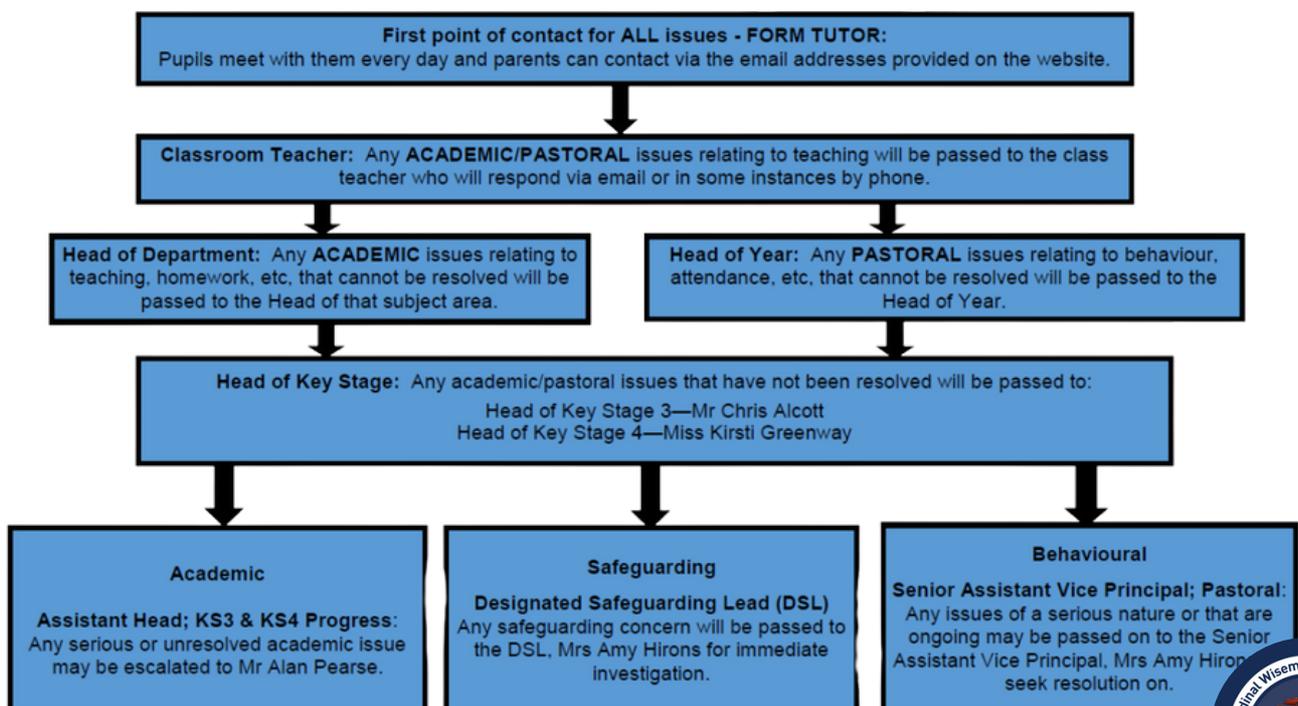
Important reminder regarding communicating with the School

If you wish to speak to a member of staff regarding your child, please be reminded that it is important to follow our communications procedure.

With almost 1400 wonderful students, our school is a very busy place. This means that it is vital that we have your understanding and patience in allowing our team the time to respond to your queries.

If you wish to take your child out of school during the school day, you must alert your child's form tutor by emailing them or writing a letter, with as much notice as possible (preferably 24 hours). This helps our support and pastoral teams in following our safeguarding policies and procedures, so we can ensure your child can leave site safely and when appropriate.

More information can be found via
<https://cardinalwiseman.coventry.sch.uk/communication/>





The Wizard
of
OZ

CAST LIST

Dorothy

Stephanie W / Betanya S

Professor / Oz

Prince O / Adrian J

Wicked Witch

Isobelle M / Olivia U

Glinda

Erica M

Tin Man - Faith J / Kayla G

Scarecrow - Roxy J

Lion - Ethan B

Aunt Em - Ellie C

Huck - Joshua K

Hickory - Nathan A

Uncle Henry - Adrian J

Miss Glutch - Jean D



The Wizard
of
OZ

CAST LIST

Lead Munchkin 1 – Katie K

Lead Munchkin 2 – Ruby J

Munchkin Major – Nashe S

Barrister – Lillie C

Crow 1 – Monika S

Crow 2 – Emma D

Crow 3 – Aleks B

Ensemble – Citizens/Munchkins/Minions

Darija Z

Rebecca N

Makayla H

Cherise G

Denae D

Aisha K

Kahlen B

Ciaralee L

Oluchi A

Congratulations to everyone who auditioned, we are incredibly proud of you all!

Rehearsals begin Wednesday 5 October at 3.30pm in the Theatre.

NOTICES

Arbor App

What is Arbor?

Arbor is a management information system (MIS) that helps schools collect, store, manage and use all the information they need. Arbor is a simple, smart and cloud-based MIS, which means you can log into Arbor to see and update your child's information or make payments and bookings yourself!

How can parents use Arbor?

Here's how you can use Arbor:

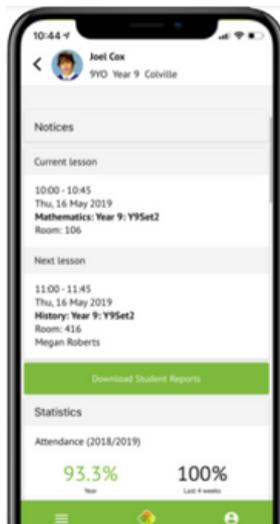
- Log into Parent Portal for Google Chrome on computers or laptops
- Download the Arbor App from the App Store or Google Play
- Log in on your phone
- Your school can then send you In-app messages.

Your Homepage Dashboard

The dashboard is the first screen that you will see. This gives a quick glance of the student's daily timetable, behaviour points, notices, current attendance and progress.

Learn more here:

<https://support.arbor-education.com/hc/en-us/sections/4409013168273-Parent-Portal-and-the-Arbor-App-FAQs>



Arbor Pay & Accounts

The Arbor Parent Portal is now the central hub for communications and student accounts amongst our school community. More importantly, Arbor Pay allows users to top up accounts for students to purchase meals in the canteen, as well as pay for trips and events throughout the year.

Following a number of instances whereby payments have continued to be made to Parent Mail accounts, **we urge parents and carers to sign out and delete their Parent Mail application.** As the school no longer has any access to the Parent Mail system, recovering payments made after Friday 16 September 2022 is incredibly tricky for the team.

If you believe that you have an outstanding balance on Parent Mail that has not been reflected within your Arbor Pay account, please email us immediately, providing a screen shot evidencing your payment.

Learn more about Arbor Parent Portal HERE.

CIVICA

Introducing our new Catering System

Along with Arbor, we have now introduced a brand new catering system in our canteen which is much faster and more reliable than our previous program - Biostore. Unlike Biostore, Civica works directly with Arbor, allowing us to capture data - which is reflected both on our system and the Arbor Parent Portal - more frequently.

We are aware that there have been a few minor technology glitches which have resulted in some accounts being double charged for purchases within the canteen. If you believe your child's account has been impacted by this, please contact us via email as soon as possible, where we can investigate this for you.



YEAR 7

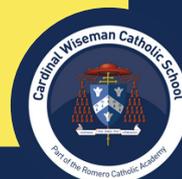


Year 7 have had a brilliant start to life at Cardinal Wiseman School with a very busy first few weeks. The year group started by meeting their form tutor group, before receiving their timetables and heading out to lessons around school site. After a week of settling into life as a Cardinal Wiseman student, they all received a new timetable ready to return on Monday.

Each tutor group has spent time in the Chapel with our Lay Chaplains, Tom and Beth. They learnt about the Catholic Ethos of our school, as well as taking part in the Year 7 welcome Mass with Father Des. Students have also been leading the school prayer at the start of lessons and visiting the chapel during break and lunch.

It is really enjoyable to hear the feedback from classroom teachers about how lovely the students are. It has been great to meet and get to know the Year 7 students when on break/lunch duty. I look forward to getting to know even more by them by attending extra-curricular clubs and the upcoming Alton Castle trip. I cannot wait to have a fantastic year!

**MR BLAIR
HEAD OF YEAR 7**



OPEN EVENING

OPEN EVENING 2022



On Thursday 22 September, Cardinal Wiseman welcomed our prospective pupils and their parents/carers to Open Evening.

Thank you to everyone who visited our brilliant school. It was so lovely to meet lots of wonderful families who we hope to see again very soon. We know there will be families out there who may have not been able to make it this evening or did not get to spend as much time with certain departments as they would have hoped. If that is the case, please email us at admin.cw@romeromac.com so we can provide further support and make an appointment for you to meet the team.

In the meantime, our brand new School Prospectus for 2022 is now live on our website via the following link:
<https://cardinalwiseman.coventry.sch.uk/school-prospectus-2022/>

Scan me
**SCHOOL PROSPECTUS
2022**



CHAPLAINCY

St Chad's Cathedral

On Thursday 29 September, students from Cardinal Wiseman School traveled to St Chad's Cathedral in Birmingham for the annual Chaplaincy Commissioning Mass. Students joined other young people from across the Birmingham Archdiocese to pray for the year ahead and to pray for the staff and students at all schools. The mass was celebrated by Bishop Stephen and our Student Chaplaincy Lead, Ciaran, was chosen to read the first reading. What a great day!



CHAPLAINCY

PRAYERS WRITTEN BY STUDENTS FOR STUDENTS

25 - 29 SEPTEMBER 2022



Pray Each Day



PRAYERS WRITTEN BY STUDENTS FOR STUDENTS

Monday 25 September

REMEMBER TO START
AND END WITH THE
SIGN OF THE CROSS!!

Dear God,

Please grant the world peace. Settle the arguments and fights.

Please protect the fighting warriors who battle for peace each day, may you bring them hope.

Amen



Tuesday 26 September

REMEMBER TO START
AND END WITH THE
SIGN OF THE CROSS!!

Dear Lord,

We thank you for giving us good health, may we pray for all the sick at this time to make a healthy recovery.

We ask that You provide them with bravery, determination, and resilience.

Amen



Wednesday 27 September

REMEMBER TO START
AND END WITH THE
SIGN OF THE CROSS!!

Heavenly Father,

May you help our school community join together in love, hope, and joy.

Help any families who may be struggling financially at this time, may they be given hope. Thank you, Lord for everything you have granted us

Amen



Thursday 28 September

REMEMBER TO START
AND END WITH THE
SIGN OF THE CROSS!!

Dear God,

We ask that you protect those with conflict in their lives. Thank you for all the places and people to whom you bring peace and hope.

We pray we can one day live in a world without war.

Amen



Friday 29 September

REMEMBER TO START
AND END WITH THE
SIGN OF THE CROSS!!

Dear Lord,

We ask you to help keep our school community safe. Make sure we respect one another and care for each other.

Thank you for keeping our friends and family safe through difficult times.

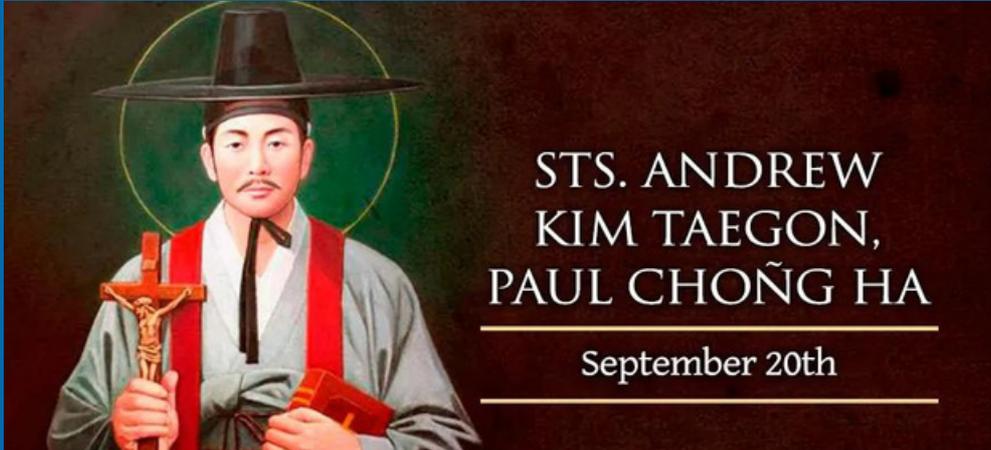
Amen



CHAPLAINCY



Saint of the Week



This week's Saint of the Week is St Andrew Kim Taegon. He is the first martyr to come from Korea. Heavy persecution of Christians meant that over 10,000 Christians were murdered there over a period of 100 years. We pray today for all of those who are still persecuted for their faith and ask God to bring them strength and freedom.

Find out more about his story in this week's video: <https://youtu.be/4tPz2QYbqkM>

SCHOOLS MEDIA COMPETITION

Columban Missionaries are looking for students (aged 13-18 inclusive) to submit an original piece of writing or an original image on the theme:

- ✓ Is conflict inevitable?
- ✓ Where and how is peacebuilding taking place?
- ✓ What role can faith play in peacemaking?

"Our proclamation of the Gospel of Jesus challenges us to build communities of peace."

From the Columban Statement on Peace

**DEADLINE FOR ENTRIES:
FRIDAY 10TH FEBRUARY 2023**

For more information see:
www.columbancompetition.com

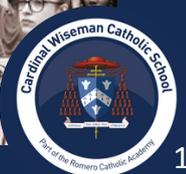


COLUMBAN
MISSIONARIES
BRITAIN

BUILDING PEACEFUL FUTURES

PRINT PRIZES
1ST £300
2ND £150 • 3RD £100

IMAGE PRIZES
1ST £300
2ND £150 • 3RD £100



ENRICHMENT

LANGUAGE CLUBS

Monday 3.20pm – 4.20pm
Active Learn Homework Club
Mrs Wolenska SP05



Tuesday 3.20 – 4.20
Support for GCSE languages
Mrs Williams and Ms Del Sorbo RM03; Ms Elliott SP06

Wednesday 3.20pm – 4.20pm
Italian and Spanish for ALL levels
Ms Del Sorbo RM03; Ms Pont SP05



Thursday 3.20 – 4.20
German and Polish for ALL levels
Mrs Fernandez SP07; Mrs Williams RM03; Mrs Stasinska SP03



Friday 3.20pm – 4.00pm
Duolingo Club
Mrs Williams RM03



ENRICHMENT

Historical Debate Club



Historical debate club will allow students to delve further into some of the key historical debates that they may not have time to fully explore in the classroom. The debate topics will focus on key debates from the KS3 scheme of work in which students will already have a level of knowledge to build upon.

KS3 PHILOSOPHY AND ETHICS

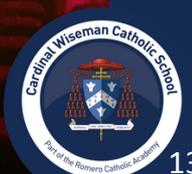
FILM CLUB



TUESDAY | 3.30PM-4.15PM | SP09

Open to Year 7,8 and 9 Each film will be followed by a group discussion of the philosophical and ethical problems it confronts.

Please see Mrs Tallis for further details.



ENRICHMENT

PE ENRICHMENT CLUBS

TUESDAY 4 OCTOBER

- Year 9 Football Club - Mr Montague - 15.30-16.30
- KS4 Fitness Club - Mrs Shirley - 15.30-16.30
- Year 7 and 8 Sports Hall Athletics - Mr Blair - 15.30-16.30



WEDNESDAY 5 OCTOBER

- ALL Years (Girls) Basketball - Guardian Ballers - 15.30-16.30
- KS3 Fitness Club - Mr Forinton - 15.30-16.30
- Year 7 and 8 Rugby Club - Mr Alcott - 15.30-16.30
- Year 8 Football Club - Mr Page - 15.30-16.30



THURSDAY 6 OCTOBER

- Year 7 Football - Mr Blair - 15.30-16.30
- All Years Girls Football - Mrs North - 15.30-16.30
- Year 7 and 8 Netball - Miss Mistry - 15.30-16.30
- Years 9-13 Boys Basketball - Guardian Ballers - 15.30-16.30



ENRICHMENT

GARDINAL WISEMAN SCHOOL

KS3 ART CLUB

EVERY TUESDAY

3.20-4.10PM

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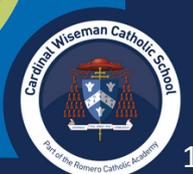
WITH MRS HOPKINS

CONTACT MRS HOPKINS FOR
MORE INFORMATION:
G.HOPKINS@ROMEROMAG.COM

Fiddle Sticks Violin Club

TUESDAY
AFTER SCHOOL
CC01
MISS BULAYIMA

REMEMBER
TO BRING
YOUR VIOLIN



WELLBEING



Mental Health in Schools Team (MHST)

Tips For Wellness:

Being Active

Finding ways to be active has positive benefits for not just your physical health but also your mental health. This doesn't have to be playing a sport, it could be something simple including playing in your garden or choosing to walk either part of or the whole way to and from school!

Regularly participating in physical activity helps to boost our self-esteem, it can also increase our concentration levels and have a positive impact on sleep.

Tips for being active:

- Try and get into a routine of doing something active each day, think about what activities you enjoy doing! Could you do them with a friend or family member?
- Be creative! Think about new activities you can try both outdoors and indoors.
- Try to limit your time sitting down by going for a walk, you could make a walking playlist or listen to a podcast

<https://www.manchestermind.org/be-active/>

Key dates:

29th - Thank You
#Hiddenheroesday

30th - World's Biggest Coffee
Morning (Macmillan)

#ThanksKids recognises the super efforts and kindness of young people and thanks them via personalised #NHSSstars certificates and pin badges. Please spread this message amongst your school community, all you need to do is let us know by nominating the young person using this email address: cwp-tr.thankskids@nhs.net and we'll do the rest!!

MHST are available to support you and your school throughout the school year including term time and school holidays. Please contact your school's Mental Health Lead for information and advice.

SAFEGUARDING

At The National College, we provide everything educators and trusted adults need to strengthen, manage and evidence their professional, and personal development, in one place, on one platform. This guide focuses on one of many issues which we believe trusted adults should be aware of. Please visit www.thenationalcollege.co.uk for further information and resources.

Tips for Supporting Children in DEALING WITH GRIEF

It's important that trusted adults feel able to help children and young people cope with grief – particularly at the moment, when we are a nation mourning the loss of a public figure who was treasured by so many. Children are seeing bereavement and sadness being featured heavily in the national news and in their favourite online spaces, and hearing it being talked about extensively among families and in the community. How can we help them in processing this healthily?

1 UNDERSTAND WHAT GRIEF IS

Grief is emotional distress which is a normal response to the death of someone close, well known or admired. It may feel overwhelming – especially for young people – and is often accompanied by feelings of shock, disbelief, anger or fear. These emotions may also mean that sleep, eating and our relationships with others could be affected.

2 MEET THE CHILD 'WHERE THEY ARE'

This could be a child's first experience of grief and loss – or conversely, they may have already encountered it several times. Make sure that any conversations you have with them, and the support that you give, are led by their experiences and their understanding of death – and in the context of their religious or community beliefs.

3 EXPLAIN CLEARLY WHAT DEATH IS

It may often feel uncomfortable, but it's healthier to actually use the words "dead", "death" or "died". Abstract explanations of death can frequently create even more confusion – particularly for younger children, who are still trying to grasp this complex (and possibly unfamiliar) concept.

4 BE PREPARED FOR QUESTIONS

On subjects such as this – especially when it involves a person who's well known to them – children and young people often have lots of questions, all at once. Sometimes, new queries about the issue will occur to them weeks after the event. Be ready to answer their questions as honestly as you can, using language that's appropriate for their age.

5 FIND WAYS TO REMEMBER THEM

It can help to talk to about the person who's died, even if that individual wasn't personally involved in the child's own life – such as a significant public figure, for instance. You and your child can discuss what that person meant to you, celebrate the things they achieved or go to a place where they can be remembered.

6 ENCOURAGE COPING STRATEGIES

You can help a child or young person to identify what their usual positive ways of coping are when they have overwhelming feelings. For example, do they find that talking with someone, drawing, going for a walk or listening to music help when they're feeling upset? These same activities could form an important part of the grieving process.

7 REACH OUT FOR SUPPORT

If a child or young person is struggling with grief to the extent that it's impacting on their everyday life, there are lots of expert organisations that you could reach out to for further help. Samaritans provides a listening ear for anyone in emotional distress; The Mix offers specialist support to people under 25; and Winston's Wish deals specifically with helping young people who are grieving.

SAMARITANS:
116 123

WWW.THEMIX.ORG.UK/GET-SUPPORT
0808 808 4994

WINSTON'S WISH:
08088 020 021

Meet Our Expert

Anna Bateman is passionate about placing prevention at the heart of every school, integrating mental wellbeing within the curriculum, school culture and systems. She is also a member of the advisory group for the Department for Education, advising them on their mental health green paper.



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