



## The Friday Letter

Dear Parents/Carers,

### Your Opinions Matter!

What you think really matters to us as a school. At Parents' Evening we always ask parents and carers to fill in a questionnaire and this has helped us to make the appropriate changes where necessary. Attached to this letter is a short questionnaire about the school in general which I would like you to fill in and return to reception. The more responses we receive the more accurate the questionnaire becomes. As an incentive, we will give a £20 Love to Shop Voucher to one child per year group who returns the completed form. They need to give their name to reception when they hand in the form.

### MG Harris Visits Cardinal Wiseman

On the 8<sup>th</sup> October we were excited to have the children's author MG Harris spend the day at Cardinal Wiseman School. She spent the morning giving a very informative and interesting talk to Year 7 and 8 in the hall about her life as a writer. She spoke about her latest, internationally bestselling series of thrilling adventure books; 'The Joshua Files'. We learnt about how the series came to be, its connection to Mayan mythology and we found out a little about the books characters. After the talk, pupils had the opportunity to ask MG questions and she signed books for those who wish to buy them.

In the afternoon, 7C were lucky enough to have a lesson long workshop with MG Harris! She taught them about story building, and together, 7C and MG Harris wrote a futuristic story called 'Evie V The World' about robots taking over the planet.

The day was a great success. Hopefully the event has encouraged more students to read and write for pleasure as well as giving them an insight into what it is like to be a successful author. We look forward to having more authors visit the school in the future.

### Pupil Responses

'I found it inspiring and enjoyable to have a lesson with the author' – Caleb Day

'It was an enjoyable experience' – Liam White

'It was a great surprise to have a lesson taught by a famous author!' Riley Mallin



## History Homework Club

History Homework club will be held every Monday after-school. All years are invited to attend in Room 5, but 11 attendance will be encouraged because they can practise past exam questions with me as part of their ongoing revision.

Miss Edwards

## Website Warning

A few students in the school have recently been upset due to highly graphic and inappropriate messages being sent to them through a website called ask.fm. On this website, all messages are anonymous and there is no facility to block people. This website was on the news in August following the suicide of a girl. We advise all students to avoid this website.

### Debate Mate

During assemblies this week, all students learnt about a fantastic opportunity to learn how to debate effectively. Cardinal Wiseman has enrolled in a programme with an international charity called Debate Mate. They run after-school debating clubs for students to develop the skills to become exceptional young leaders – confidence, interpersonal communication and higher order thinking. This leads to competitions with other schools. Numerous students attended a brief meeting with Miss Crown on Thursday after school.

For more information, please go to [www.debatemate.com](http://www.debatemate.com)



Have a good weekend,

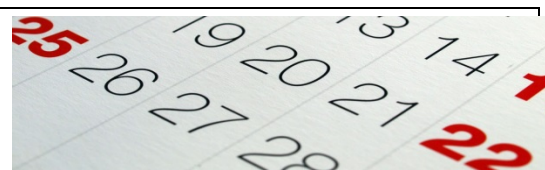
Yours sincerely

Christina Stewardson

### Dates for your diary

Half term – Monday 28<sup>th</sup> Oct to Friday 1<sup>st</sup> November

Week beginning Monday 4<sup>th</sup> November – Year 8 assessment week.





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**Cameron Finlan** (11C) nominated by Mr Dhingra

A passion to learn and a professional pride others should learn from. Cameron always does his best and has consistently worked hard all term. Well done Cameron.



## STARS OF THE WEEK!

**Years 7 and 8 only**



Student	Class	Staff	Reason
<b>Perry Lindo</b>	7	Mr Beckett	For attending a fantastic drumming rehearsal after school in preparation for the school production in Feb.
<b>Charlie Bath Jordan Booker</b>	8S	Miss Hennessy	For always working exceptionally hard in English.
<b>Kane Murphy Callum Desmond</b>	8	RE Dept.	For hard work and focus in RE
<b>Joshua Callan</b>	8	Mr Vince Miss Crown	For excellent verbal answers and effort in his class notes this week
<b>James Lawler Weronika Wojcik Matthew Fleming</b>	7	Miss Jinks Mr Mulcrow	Excellent attitude and standard of classwork in RE
<b>Ariann Rose</b>	7Y	Mr Povey	Excellent reading.
<b>Matthew Rose</b>	8Y	Mr Crawford	Excellent translation of Middle English
<b>Connor Jefferies</b>	8C	Miss Edwards	Excellent verbal feedback in class
<b>Tina Mfuamba</b>	8F	Mr Allen	Exemplary effort and attitude to learning
<b>Emily Banner and Jack Whitehurst</b>	8Y	Mr Flynn	For excellent effort on their home learning projects.
<b>Chloe Capnerhurst and Sian Wickett</b>	8S		For excellent effort in History
<b>Dontay Maragh Hubertas Varanauskas Josh Brookes</b>	7Y		For excellent effort in group work,
<b>Reece Seager</b>	7C	Miss Johnes	For brightening up the classroom with his smile and enthusiasm.



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Harrison Cooksey	10	Mr Matthews	Superb attitude within this terms 'Outwitting Opponents' topic.
Kwasi Beckford	11	Miss Edwards	Yr 11 for coming in on a Saturday to complete his controlled assessment and showing dedication to his GCSEs.
Damien Clark	11	Miss Smith	Huge improvement in behaviour and attitude to work.
Sam Dosumu Emmanuel Galloway Hakim McKenzie	10 & 11	Mr Beckett	For attending a fantastic drumming rehearsal after school in preparation for the school production in Feb.
Brandon Cole	9	Dr Beavan	A much improved attitude to learning. Well done!
Emmanuel Galloway	10Y	Mr Cullen	Fantastic behaviour in class.
Kieran Moorehouse	10Y	Mr Povey	For continued commitment to learning.
Natalia Brown	10	Mrs Smith	For excellent responses to the study of the Native American artist Star Wallowing Bull
Areej Bibi	9	Mrs Smith	
Sian Gaynor	9F	Miss Hennessy	For having an excellent attitude and producing fantastic written work
All of 11Y in English	11Y		For having a mature and rewarding attitude towards their GCSE assessments.
Kieran Cullen	10S	Miss Edwards	Excellent homework piece and a positive work ethic
Kirsty Richards	11S	Mr Crawford	Outstanding commitment to her Inspector Calls work.
Rhys Gallagher	9	RE Dept. Mr Vince Miss Crown Miss Jinks Mr Mulcrow	For consistently demonstrating outstanding behaviour and hard work in RE.
Maurice Nesbeth Chloe Roberts			For effective teamwork and fantastic explanations in class
Alice Ringanayi			For a conscientious attitude and hard work
Paulette Nzolani Tia Barrett	10		For taking on the role of a priest and 'giving advice' to new families at the start of their marriage! Very empowering girls!
Josue Lukoki Ben Green	10		For getting 100% in their tracking test - Well done!
Luke Hudson Laney James-Bruce Nika N'tungu Klaudia Solaraczyk	11		For working extremely hard on a lesson titled, 'Why Justice is important for followers of Islam'.
Mary Delaney	11		For being an ambassador to the school.
Kyle Shepherd April Derby Kirsty Richards	11		For supporting other students in class and acting as mentors - a fantastic quality!
Sheri Matthews	11		For a stunning homework poster on Christian attitudes to justice.
Ryan Best David Shanahan Versace Powell	10	Mr Flynn	For excellent grades in their History assessment.



# Young Disciples

Wednesdays: 2.30- 3.30

(starts next week – 23<sup>rd</sup> Oct)

Come along to the chapel after school and join in with activities such as:

- Games
- Team building
- Exploring faith

A great chance to get to know new people, have fun  
and strengthen your faith! Open to all years.