

The Friday Letter

Dear Parents/Carers,

Year 11 Parents' Evening Questionnaire Analysis

I would like to thank the many parents/carers who took the time to fill in the questionnaire during Parents Evening last week. Here are the headline figures:

- > 97% stated that following discussions with staff, they felt able to support their child at home with their learning.
- > 97% felt that the evening was helpful and informative.
- > 39% rated the quality of education that their child receives at CW as outstanding and 56% rated it as good.

It is very reassuring to read how positive you are. Please visit the website if you would like to read the full analysis and comments.

Year 10 Exams

Next week is year 10 exam week. All pupils in year 10 will be engaged in a piece of work under exam conditions for each of their subjects where applicable. Please support your child in their revision at this important point in the academic year. Results will be used to determine what progress your child is making in each of their subject areas. You will receive a separate letter to remind you about these exams.

Use of Social Media

Pupils and parents should take the time to read this report together from West Midlands Police.

Please see the below details of a police investigation that we are using to show the importance of parents playing an intrusive role in their children's online activity to make sure they don't come to any harm whilst surfing the net.

The advice comes as a 30-year-old man was sentenced to six years in jail after he set up a fictitious Facebook profile and pretended to be a 14-year-old schoolgirl in order to strike up online conversations with children, before goading them into performing sexual acts.

While this may be a case dealt with by officers in Sandwell, we'd ask you use it as an example to stress the importance of online safety...

A YOUTH football coach set-up social media accounts under the guise of a schoolgirl and persuaded youngsters to strip for him on webcams. Kevin Eaton– who coached 11- to 15-year-olds at a Sandwell junior team – pretended to be a 14-year-old schoolgirl in order to strike up online conversations with children before goading them into performing sexual acts.

However, his facade started crumbling in December 2012 when the mum of a 13-year-old girl reported online threats made to her daughter. Through detailed IT analysis West Midlands Police traced the messages to a computer being used in Aldridge Road, Oldbury, and discovered "Charlotte's" true identity was 30-year-old Tipton roofer Kevin Eaton.

The force's specialist Child Online Safety Team (COST) carried out a thorough 'e-forensics' examination of Eaton's online activity – trawling 1,000s of emails and social media exchanges – and found he'd contacted up to

100 children with his alter ego, including two boys he coached at the football club.

Eaton was charged with 20 counts of inciting boys and girls to engage in sexual activity in front of webcams, seven counts relating to making indecent images of children – having encouraged them to send him naked photos – and three of distributing the images.

Nineteen of the incitement charges are against seven children – aged between 11 and 14 – which officers were able to identify through their painstaking IT examinations, whilst the final generic charge relates to 23 young victims police have not traced.

He admitted all 30 offences – committed from July 2011 to March 2013 – and at Wolverhampton Crown Court on January 15th 2014 was sentenced to six years in jail and ordered to sign the sex offender's register for life.

Investigating officer, Detective Constable Rob Piper, said: "Eaton created a fictitious Facebook profile with the sole purpose of inciting children to perform sexual acts; he knew several of these children and would see them during his football coaching role.

"This was a shocking abuse of trust, especially given that Eaton also had the role of Child Protection Officer at the football club. In fact, some of his victims even confided in him that 'Charlotte' was making threats against them online and asked for his advice.

"Many of these children realised they'd gone too far in sending naked images of themselves and were petrified 'Charlotte' would carry out threats to share the images with friends and family if they didn't bow to his demands. One of his victims was so upset by Eaton's actions that she tried committing suicide."

DC Piper used the case to highlight the dangers of engaging in flirtatious online exchanges with strangers and warned that predatory online paedophiles, like Eaton, could be hiding behind facades of teenage children.

He added: "Parents need to play an intrusive role in their children's online activity to make sure they don't come to any harm whilst surfing the net. You need to be absolutely certain who you're talking to online – your son or daughter may believe they're chatting with another teenager but, in reality, it could be someone much older with sinister intentions.

"Parents shouldn't feel awkward asking their children what they're up to online and who they're conversing with on social media. Perhaps have an agreement that they only use the internet in an overt manner, in the living room, rather than squirreled away in their bedrooms.

"And ask whether your child really needs a webcam in their bedroom? If a child is persuaded to expose themselves in front of a camera then they've lost control of that image or video and it could be floating around online forever.

"Offenders are sometimes very tech savvy – but West Midlands Police has a dedicated team of online child protection specialists and IT experts who are capable of following their online tracks and exposing their activity. We're making notable arrests on a daily basis and as a result helping prevent youngsters from becoming victims."

The national Child Exploitation & Online Protection (CEOP) team has developed a website – Think You Know – which provides useful web safety advice and a guide on how to report worries or concerns about people you're chatting to online.

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School Admissions

Birmingham's School Admissions and Pupil Placements, on behalf of the Local Authority, is currently consulting on the admission arrangements for Birmingham schools and academies who are proposing to make changes for the 2015/16 academic year.

The proposed admission arrangements can be viewed at the following web page: http://www.birmingham.gov.uk/cs/Satellite?c=Page&childpagename=SystemAdmin%2FCFPa geLayout&cid=1223438262704&packedargs=website%3D4&pagename=BCC%2FCommon%2 FWrapper%2FCFWrapper&rendermode=live

The consultation runs until 7 February 2014 and any comments on the proposed admission arrangements should be sent to <u>admissionsconsultation@birmingham.gov.uk</u>

Year 11 RE Revision

Mr Vince has informed me that the following students have been doing excellent revision work in RE. The list is too long to add to the 'Star of the Week' section so they are all listed below. Well done to you all and keep it up!

11C - Danielle Birch, Mia Sunderland, & Nicole Vyse

11F - Damien Clark, Callum Ensor, Jamie Felton, Nicholas Mahon, Lucy Nixon, Jade Poole & Kaylum Tranter

11S - Miguel Cunningham, Declan Hale, Nelissa Mcdermott, Kyle Shepherd & Connah Ward
11W - Kieran Clyne, Simon Harper, Corey Marston, Noel Ntungu & Ashley Rees
11Y - Joanna Kulaga & O'neil Marner

Dates for your diary
Monday 27 th January - Year 7 trip to Symphony Hall and
Library of Birmingham
Week beginning 27th January – Year 10 Exam Week
Friday 31st January – Year 11 Prayer Vigil



Have a good weekend,

Yours sincerely

Christina Stewardson



STAR OF THE WEEK!

Kwame Oteng-Adusei (year 9) for being nominated by two different members of staff.





STARS OF THE WEEK! All years



Student	Class	Staff	Reason
Kajal Patel Matthew Jeffries	10	Miss Garside	Achieved 100% on this week's homework
Daniel Sarpong Adam Patrick	11		
The whole class	9Y	Miss Edwards	For always trying their best in English.
Lauren Chancellor Kerry-Ann Brannigan Rhys Gallagher Liam Adams	9S	Mr Allen	For improving their English level significantly.
Luke Whitemore Darren Teece Grace O'Hanlon Thomas Lafferty Kwame Oteng-Adusei Chloe Roberts Emily Howes	9W 9C	Hannah Clayton	Pupils gave up their own time to lead the year 9 assembly. They also assisted with both the year 10 and year 11 assemblies. Well done!
Kwame Oteng-Adusei Daisy Aigbe Mollie Cowley Sam Conway	9C 9C 11S 11S	Miss Crown Miss Jinks and Mr Vince	For consistent attitude to learning in RE. Keep it up!
Kirsty Allen Callum Comley	7C		Both for challenging yourself and trying your best in RE
Jordan Rogers	9S		For improved work and attitude to learning.
Ellie Russell	7Y		For brilliant contribution to discussion.
Chelsea Stroud	10Y		For quality of work
O'Neil Marner	11Y		For determination to achieve!
Jessica Powell	8Y	Mrs Gaton- Magaz	Excellent behaviour in class. She made a good demonstration of what she's able to do in Spanish. Well Done!
Nial Culley	8Y		Improvement in his attitude and his work
George Bath, Ryan Best, David Shanahan, Olivia Mooney, Benita Benson-Ezeh and Versace Powell	10	Mr Flynn	For very good test results in year 10 History.
Kane Murphy, Kaytlyn Parkhill and Lucy Burbidge	8C		For good work in History this week.

Ariann Rose Ben Stroud	7Y	Miss Easthope	For producing brilliant work in English.
Nikira Parris	7S	Dr Beavan	Superb reading and quizzing! Well done!
Michael O'Donoghue	9W	Mr Mucrow	Sustained good work in RE
The whole class	8C	Mrs Smith	For impressing a visiting teacher with excellent work and attitude.
Karla Davis	9Y	Mr Dhingra	Karla has been doing her best and helping others in class. She always offers her answers and fully participates in lessons. Well done!
Tania Conde-Mfuamba Tanaka Kutsonga Connor Jeffries Jordon Booker IIana Taylor Leah Martindale Yonatan Tiruneh	8S and 8W	Ben Neville	For their amazing hard work in preparing the assembly for Year 8.