



The Friday Letter

Dear Parents/Carers,

If you have a son or daughter in Year 8 please make a note of the Year 8 parents' evening coming up on the 27th March. We are combining it with our options evening so that parents can hear information about the options and then get a chance to talk to teachers about their son or daughter's progress in every subject which should help you to support them in their choices. The evening will start at 4pm with an options talk for parents who are able to arrive early, but that talk will then be repeated through the night which finishes at 7.30. Please remember that we expect all parents to attend every parents' evening and for year 8 this is a VERY special one!

Music Service Guitar Day



Student Reports


During the guitar day we were taught three different songs. The whole day we were learning and practising them. At 3 o'clock we started to perform them. It was amazing! It was my first performance in public and I really enjoyed it and experienced playing in the band with other musicians.

Haroldas Varanauskas

On Thursday 6th March, we went to MAC (Midlands Arts Centre) for a guitar day. First of all it was a fun yet very helpful day full of many different guitarists and styles of music. It was helpful, because I could talk to other guitarists with a high level of skill; they would show me the kind of style they do, how they practice etc. On the day we learnt 3 songs on the guitar; we spent most of the day learning the songs and it was a good learning experience learning with other skilful guitarists. I've been to this event 3 times now and it seems different every year; meeting new people and seeing their performances at the end of the day. At the end of the day, we performed all 3 songs to an audience and some performed their own pieces that they've worked on (including me and Matthew). **Joshua Peralta**

When we arrived we were split into 3 different groups depending upon who our instrumental teacher was. We were led into different practise rooms with other guitarists of various skills and ages and started to learn three different songs. The songs were 'Molloy's Chambers' by Kings of Leon, 'Times Like These' by Foo Fighters and 'I Bet You Look Good On The Dance floor' by Arctic Monkeys. At the end of the 2 hour sessions we regrouped and rehearsed as a group. At 3 pm we then performed a concert in which I and Josh performed a duet of 'Spain' by Chick

Corea. It was an amazing experience that has helped me with my confidence and ability as a guitarist. **Matthew Jeffries**

Dates for your diary	
20 th March – STEM Event at Cardinal Wiseman	
27 th March – Year 8 Options/Parents' Evening	

Pupils Art and Graphics Work Exhibited in Birmingham



Last week, six pupils from year 11 exhibited their Art and Graphics work at an exhibition in Birmingham city centre. The exhibition which is still on at the Fusion Centre in Digbeth is a celebration of the best art work from all of the Catholic partnership schools in Birmingham. Ashley Rees, Brandon Ward, Vivien Luong, Sam Conway, Kieran Sayers and April Darby all had the honour of having their work included in the exhibition which opened last Friday.

At the opening, pupils were treated to some poetry by the singer, songwriter Paul Murphy and a speech by the Irish ambassador. Brandon Ward said, 'It felt great to get to exhibit my work in a public space and I was really inspired by the other art work and in particular the poetry reading by Paul Murphy.' The exhibition will run until the weekend. Well done all involved. Mr Poole

Have a good weekend,

Yours sincerely

Christina Stewardson



STAR OF THE WEEK!

Hani Mario (11S)

for his excellent A* result in a recent piece of assessment.

Nominated by Miss Penn



STARS OF THE WEEK!



Student	Class	Staff	Reason
Jordan Hall Bethany Mallett Chelsea Reeves Caitlin Cole Chelsie Ward David Shanahan	10W	Mr Toms	For an incredible piece of homework in Spanish. I am so pleased with their effort and proud of what they are achieving at the moment. It is going to pay dividends when they come to complete their coursework!
Cameron Smith	10 History	Miss E Edwards	The class had the opportunity to vote for star of the week this week and picked Cameron for his continued improved attitude in History.
Tyler Knight	9C	Miss Lucy Hurley	For going out of his way to help me collect the football from the cage at the end of lunch.
Arron Ward	9Y	Mr Dhingra	For working really well, giving intelligent answers all week and being a positive influence in his maths lessons. Well done Arron!
Kane Knight	10W	Miss Nuttall	For excellent attitude towards DEAR and engaging fully in the programme
Dontay Maighragh	7Y	Amy Grattidge	Dontay put so much effort into learning his part for next week's year 7 assembly and read so beautifully in both rehearsals.
Reace Savage Keyleigh Savage	7C 10C	Miss Crown Mr A.Sanghera	For a fantastic newspaper article on palm Sunday and good attitude to learning in RE. Keep up the hard work Keyleigh regularly completes the extension work and also helps students who find the work difficult. She is also very good at articulating the maths she is learning. Well Done Keyleigh!
Dom Artwell	11S	Miss Crown	Evidence of good revision and hard work at home. An A* in her latest assessment! Well done Dom!
Jack Whitehurst	8Y	Mr Crawford	Excellent effort in writing ballads
Mary Delaney	11F	Hannah Clayton	For consistently giving 110% with her revision in mentoring sessions.
Adam Patrick Simon Harper	11W1 11W	Miss Garside Mr Mulcrow	For achieving 100% in his homework for the past 3 weeks - well done Adam! For an A* result in a recent assessment.
Mia Sunderland Emma Browne	11C	Mr Allen	For producing A-grade paragraphs in exam practice lesson.
Kevin Igbinomwanhia & Anopaishe Johwa	7W	Dr Beavan	An excellent performance on the Y7 Geo assessment. Well done!

Charlie Bath Chelsea Beet Chloe Capnerhurst Petra Farbarova Ilana Taylor Yonatan Tiruneh Sian Wickett George Wilkinson Yves-Moro Zahouro	8S	Mr Beckett	For being nominated by students in their group for excellent team work in Music.
James Lawler	7C	Mrs Grant	Honesty - James found £10.00 and handed it to a member of staff.
Nicole Cullen and Connie Luong	7C	Mr Toms	For sustained hard work and incredible effort in Spanish. They are both making unbelievable progress so keep it up girls! Well done!
Dorcas Sarpong Petra Chinyere Daisy Aigbe	9	Mr Poole	Excellent series of design ideas generated in GCSE Graphics
Lee Bond	8W	Mr Toms	For a superb Spanish script for a market role-play which he created independently through clever and careful use of the dictionary. He has mastered a tough skill that will help him enormously in future lessons.
Callum Tooze	11F	Mrs Garewal	For a really superb turn around in application and effort in recent Science lessons. In particular taking time and care to do his best in chemistry coursework which has been quite challenging. Showing me extra revision work and preparation he is now doing for the exams and using his own initiative to do so.
Sinead Brennan	11F	Mrs Garewal	For such excellent focus in recent lessons - keep it up.
Mary Delaney	11F	Mrs Garewal	In recognition of consistent application and excellent effort in all Science lessons. In particular supporting peers with their learning. Keep it up.
Dontay Maragh Kevin Dyksinski	7Y	Mr Kearns	Always focused and enthusiastic during reading. Well done!
Hannah Hall Paige Whittingslow Stanley Fraser	8W	Mr. Badmos	Excellent depth of understanding in maths lesson. Shown independence, focus and pride in your work
Shane Slattery Dylan Tranter Luke Tonks Jake Tonks Mathew Rose	8Y	Mr. Badmos	Good behaviour for learning. Keep it up

Emily Banner			
Chloe Purcell	9	Miss E Edwards	Continuous hard work in History, after joining the GCSE class in January.
Megan Flores	9	Miss E Edwards	Completing her History homework a week early and handing it in. Excellent effort.
Owens Rehbaum	10S	Miss Penn	For his excellent attitude to learning in his science lessons - outstanding.
Bailey Jarrett	9W	Miss Penn	A brilliant result in his chemistry assessment.
Adam Patrick Lewis Somers Kieran Clyne Brandon Ward Cameron Finlan Gage Bowen Bryan Williams	11a	Mr Matthews	For a superb lesson undergoing defensive tactics within basketball. All students enjoyed the task engaging well with each of the tactical situations and independent learning tasks.