



The Friday Letter

Dear Parents/Carers,

Your children may have told you that on Monday and Tuesday of this week we have OFSTED inspectors in school, not for an actual OFSTED inspection but to check our self-evaluation and to suggest what our next steps might be. They observed lessons and met with leaders at all levels including the Governing Body. I am delighted to tell you that all went very well and they saw a very high proportion of good and outstanding teaching and nothing that gave them any cause for concern. They praised the work of the leadership of the school and were very positive about our children. When they have written their report I will share more detail with you but I wanted to let you know the good news and end the term on a high note.



Year 11 Textiles Exam

Well done to all the students who have worked exceptionally hard and fully focused over the two day exam.

The pupils created a variety of different hair accessories and hats. The photo shows the work created by the following four students: Klaudia Solraczk, Ellie Crockett, Kirsty Moran Davis & Shannon Smith.

Catholic Partnership Swimming Gala

On Monday the 7th April 15 students represented Cardinal Wiseman in a Catholic Swimming Gala at Archbishop Ilsley. It was an excellent event, fiercely contested by all pupils, who swam with great pride for their school teams. There was a separate girls and boy's competition, with teams made up of 4 x Year 7 girls/4 x Year 8 girls and 4 x Year 8 boys/4 x Year 7 boys. The event culminated in a very exciting Cannon relay which could probably be heard all around the school building! Our teams were an asset to our school with outstanding performances in the team and individual races. Their manner and passion to be the best they could be was outstanding and they were respectful to the other schools and members of staff that accompanied them. A big well done to both the boys and girls team who were made up of the following pupils; Kerry Bowen, Francene Brennan, Demileigh Capnerhurst, Kaycie-Le Cummings (year 7), Priya Mclean Bride, Molly Mason, Lauren Westcarr Stephenson (year 8), Liam White, James Lawlor, Callum Comley, Riley Mallin (year 7), Joshua Nicholson, George Wilkinson, Kane Murphy and Connor White (year 8).

Even though we did not win the events, congratulations to all pupils who took part. There was a high standard of swimming and some really impressive individual and team performances.

Miss Nuttall (PE Teacher)

Awards Assemblies

Assemblies this week were all about celebrating and rewarding students who have achieved really well and students who have had an outstanding attitude to learning this term. Instead of having the usual 'Stars of the Week' section in the Friday letter, many of the students mentioned below are

'Spring Term Stars'

Head of Year Awards

These awards have been given for a variety of different reasons.

Head of Year Awards - Year 7. Nominated by Dr. Beavan

Abigail Whyke, Decklan Prosser & Connie Luong

Head of Year Awards - Year 8. Nominated by Mrs Poxon

Jordan Booker, Cecilia Luong and Lucy Morris

Head of Year Awards – Year 9. Nominated by Miss Crown

Aaron Harris, Bethany Smith & Mary Dosumu

Head of Year Awards - Year 10. Nominated by Mr Dance

Natalia Brown, Dylan Bowen and Jordan Powell

Head of Year Awards - Year 11. Nominated by Mrs. Smith

Rayne Gordon, Sam Conwy and Jordan Swain

Chaplaincy Team Awards

These awards were given to students for their constant outstanding attitude towards the Catholic life of the school. All of these students in some way have made a massive impact. Well done.

Year 7 - Weronika Wojcik, Abigail Whyke, Paris Palmer,
Anopaishe Johwa, Jordan McKenzieia Dunne

Year 8 - Jordan Booker, Mollie Mason, Lucy Burbridge & Stanley Fraser

Year 9 - Panashe Goremusandu, Thomas Lafferty, Luke Whitmore & Grace O'Hanlon

Year 10 - Joshua Peralta, Matthew Jeffries, Kristal Ramdeen, Kajal Patel, Natalia Brown,
Chelsea Reeves, Katie McDonald, Bethany Mallett & Charlie Morgan-Beet

Year 11 - Mary Delaney, Rebecca McCormack & Jonathan Harvey

Congratulations and well done to all of the students who represented Cardinal Wiseman at the third round of the Debate Mate League. This is the first time that our school has entered the competition and we did exceptionally well. Under



the guidance of Miss Crown, Hannah Clayton and their Debate Mate Mentors from BCU, we came 3rd out of 52 schools in the West Midlands at the event that took place at Birmingham University on Monday. Unfortunately, only the top two schools from each region get to debate at the final which is held in the Houses of Parliament in London. I am sure that next year we will be one of those schools. Well done for representing the school so well and developing your debating your skills.

Debate Mate Awards

Nominated by Miss Crown

Most articulate debater - Kwame Oteng-Adusei (9) & Tanaka Kutsonga (8)

Dedication to Debate Mate

Panashe Goremusandu, Adeola Shorinmade, Mary Ann Swoffer, Thomas Lafferty, Areej Bibi, Thembe Mhlope, Dorcas Sarpong and Mary Dosumu

Key Stage 3 Home Learning

Congratulations to the Konnie Slattery for winning a Home Learning Award. Mr Poole said “She has produced an outstanding piece of homework. She has made a three dimensional model of the new Library of Birmingham. Its accurate and very detailed and even lights up!” Well done Konnie!

Home Learning Over Easter

I would like to remind parents of students in year 7 that their children should be working on their History Home Learning Project over the Easter break and students in year 8 should be working on their Geography project. These projects are to be handed in during the week beginning 5th May.



Dates for your diary

14th– 26th April. **Easter Holidays**

28th April – **Summer term starts**

28th April – **Year 11 Motivation Day**



Have a happy and holy Easter break,

Yours sincerely

Christina Stewardson