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# The Friday Letter

Dear Parents/Carers,

Last week I started by informing you about how incredibly busy we have been as a school. The pace this week has stepped up another gear. I am truly grateful to all of the staff who have gone the extra mile to provide so many amazing opportunities for our children. I would also like to thank our pupils who have been such great ambassadors. They too have gone the extra mile in working with the school with numerous different activities. We have a wonderful community spirit here at Cardinal Wiseman which is second to none.

Tonight we look forward to the Year 11 Prom. This event is a truly memorable celebration for our Year 11 students who have been a part of Cardinal Wiseman for the last 5 years. As always, it is going to be a very glamorous occasion.

As you will know from last week's Friday Letter, the Archbishop of Birmingham came to Cardinal Wiseman to bless our newly refurbished chapel. Please read the wonderful letter (see overleaf) that we received this week.



# Parents' Evening

A reminder that Year 7 Parents' Evening takes place on Thursday 10<sup>th</sup> July from 4.30pm to 7.00pm. We expect that a parent/carer for all children in year 7 attends this very important evening to find out more information about how your child is progressing. We look forward to seeing you all.

We also have an additional Parents' Information Evening for parents and carers of pupils in years 9 and 10 on Tuesday 8th July from 5.00 to 6.30pm. Please ensure that you attend so that you can support your child with their education.

#### Important Message – Year 10

Pupils in year 10 should start to purchase their red year 11 ties in preparation for September. Red ties cost £5 and can be purchased from reception.

#### **Catholic Schools Sports Event**

On Thursday 26th June, 12 pupils represented Cardinal Wiseman at the Catholic Sports Event at St Thomas Aquinas. 6 girls and boys from years 8 and 9 were carefully selected to represent the school. It was an enjoyable competitive day where the pupils had to take part in 3 activities.

The first activity was a 1925m cross country race, the girls ran first and did superbly, and they all completed the race gaining vital points for our team. The boys ran second and all finished in the top 20, a special mention to Connor White who encouraged 3 of his team mates to finish and ran with them to ensure that all finished. Some of the boys even commented 'I would have not have finished if it wasn't for Connor', well done Connor for fantastic team work.

For the 2nd & 3rd events we went back to St Thomas Aquinas school to compete in a Girls' netball tournament, where our fabulous team made it to the final and unfortunately lost to St Pauls to gain 2nd place, the girls then took part in a tchouckball competition, and thank you to Mr Matthews for some coaching sessions on this sport it allowed our pupils to again make the final but just lost out to St Thomas Aquinas to be placed 2nd.

Our boys in the meantime were doing a fantastic job in playing an indoor football tournament with some great effort and then again a tchoukball competition. The boys' performance was outstanding and they showed real drive to do well and gain points for our school. Overall the girls finished 3rd, and the boys also finished 3rd allowing us to as a collective finish 2nd overall. A really big well done to all our performers as they did their best and it paid off, next year we will get 1st!



Stars of the tournament



Sian Wickett
Tania Mfuamba
Lauren Taylor
Connor White
Radarne Decosta
Mohammed Mafooz
Areej Bibi
Kelis Rowe
Daisy Aigbe
Maurice Nesbitt
Christian Lukoki
Tyler Knight

Mr Powers and Miss Nuttall

#### Our new neighbours - the Sisters of the Blessed Virgin Mary

We are delighted that an Order of nuns has taken up residence in buildings next to our school. They have a wonderful website, charting their journey in faith <a href="www.ancilla-domini.org">www.ancilla-domini.org</a>. As an enclosed Order, the Sisters spend much of their time in the Convent in prayer, but are sometimes seen on the street as they travel to conduct essential business. We therefore ask you to remind your son/daughter to be mindful of the Sisters and not to venture into any of the gardened areas adjacent to the Convent. Should they

see any of the Sisters 'out and about' they should greet them by saying 'Good morning/afternoon Sister!'

Mr Mulcrow





On Friday last week, the choirs of Cardinal Wiseman, Christ the King and St Margaret Mary joined voices in a rousing concert of vocal music. Each choir performed their own repertoire as well as singing four pieces together. The event was led by Mr Gardner and Clare Cooper who have been rehearsing hard with the students in preparation for this wonderful event. There was an outstanding array of contrasting piece but the songs 'Sing With Joy' by Lin Marsh and 'Happy' by Pharrell Williams really epitomized the whole event.

Clare Cooper emailed the following message "What a great success! Everyone was very positive - children, staff and parents. One of the younger choir members said it was, 'the best trip ever!' and another said 'When can we go again?'

We hope that this is the start of things to come.







On Tuesday 1st July 2014 pupils of Cardinal Wiseman put on a spectacular summer party for their local senior citizens. The party was held at the Maryvale Community Project; the pupils of Cardinal Wiseman decorated the hall, prepared the food, sang summer songs, and were on hand to serve the senior citizens. The afternoon was full of fun and smiles.

There were over 80 senior citizens who attended. The afternoon consisted of bingo, a quiz and we ended with a raffle. Mrs Stewardson also visited and paid a fitting tribute to the hard work that had gone in to organising such a wonderful occasion. The work that the pupils and staff of the school put in to making this event was very

much appreciated by all who came along to the party.

As a Catholic school we believe that it is important to remember everyone and by organising this event it is a small token of the school's appreciation and support for the senior citizens of the local community. Lucy Hurley (Lay Chaplain)

#### **Induction Evening and Induction Day**

Mr Beckett has asked me to thank the following prefects in year 10 who helped out at Open Evening on Tuesday this week.

Joshua PeraltaBen CampbellKaine CookseyMatthew JeffriesMegan PearsallBethany MallettCharlotte PearsallKathryn Deakin

The prefects below helped our staff and year 6 students who are joining us in September during Induction Day.

Callum Brookes Ben Campbell Kaine Cooksey Matthew Jeffries Courtney Harper Joshua Peralta Lee Burnside Kathryn Deakin Remi-Grace Jarvis Bethany Mallett Jordan Hall Paulette Nzolani Charlotte Pearsall Megan Pearsall Shanelle Paul Keyleigh Savage

You are great ambassadors to the school and everyone has been very complimentary about how superb you all were. Thank you and well done!

#### Trip to Cadbury World

Mr Bevan, Miss Edwards and I took 45 year 7 and 8 students to Cadbury World on Tuesday 1<sup>st</sup> July. Students spent the first part of the morning learning all about Cadbury world and then got a chance to experience the new 4d cinema. After lunch students got the chance to have a tour around the factory and actually see how the chocolate was made. Throughout the tour we were given lots of free chocolate which we all enjoyed. All students were excellent ambassadors for the school and were a pleasure to spent time with.





# Year 9 Trip to Savio House

On Monday, year 9 pupils visited Savio House set in the heart of Cheshire. For three days pupils were led by 6 amazing leaders who got them thinking about their faith and how we can spread the Gospel to all we meet.

During the retreat we went on a group walk to place called White Nancie where we were able to see Manchester. It was a tiring climb but we all made it to the top.

On Tuesday morning we had reconciliation which gave us the chance to think about the things we had done wrong and to say sorry for them. It was a very reflective morning with us receiving the sacrament of

confession. In the evening there was a celebration were we played team games and prepared for Mass. After dinner we went to Mass with pupils leading us in drama, song and art work.

I would like to thank all our pupils who were a credit to our school and also a massive thank you to Hannah Clayton (Lay Chaplain) and Mr. Kerr for giving up there time to travel with our pupils.

Ben Neville (Lay Chaplain)



#### English writing project – Miss Hennessy

Over the last term, pupils in 8C have been reading and teaching pupils in Year 4 at Maryvale Primary school. The end product was to create a story in a genre of their own choice and to help improve their own literacy levels alongside those of the year 4 pupils too.

As the project is coming to an end, a great combination of genres, ideas and imaginations have been portrayed as well as an increasing bond between the two year groups.

The pupils have worked exceptionally hard and should be very proud of their success and achievements. The stories are due to be published this week in order for their talents to be showcased. Well done!



'I have enjoyed going to see Year 4 because I know this has helped with my future career working with children." Paige Barton

'I have enjoyed teaching my year 4 buddy because it was fun, especially writing a comedy murder investigation. I hope we can do it again." Luke Arlington

'I have had a fabulous time going down to Maryvale and talking to all the year 4 pupils. I also enjoyed having a good time and bonding with my buddy." Emily Hastings

"Working with the year 4 pupils has helped me gain confidence in speaking aloud and has also improved my English skills." Georgia Williams

# Christina Stewardson

#### Dates for your diary

Thursday  $10^{th}$  July 4.30 to 7.00 pm - Year 7 Parents' Evening

Tuesday 8th July 5- 6.30 - Year 9 & 10 Parents' Information Evening

Friday 11th July – Non-uniform day.

Monday 14th July – CW Sports Day (weather permitting)

Friday 18th July at 1.30 – End of summer term.



# **STAR OF THE WEEK!**



**Mary Dosumu** (year 9) for being such a great ambassador to the school in so many ways. Nominated by Mrs. Stewardson

Pupil	Class	Teacher	Reason		
Jordan Booker Nisa Prosser Catherine Lillie Weronika Wojcik Matthew Fleming	8S 9Y 7S 7W 7C	Lucy Hurley and Mr Mulcrow	For their outstanding help with the summer VIP party.		
Krzysztof Czaplicki	8F	Mr Allen	Great effort with extended writing.		
Alisha McLynn	98	Mr Allen	Consistently superb attitude.		
Jordan Rogers	98	Mr Allen	Excellent attitude to learning.		
Mary Dosumu Thomas Lafferty Bethany Mallett Matthew Jeffries	9C 9C 10C 10W	The Chaplaincy team	For reading so beautifully during the blessing of the Chapel. Well done!		
Kaine Cooksey Luke Hayward	10W 10W	The Chaplaincy team	You were both brilliant tour guides for the Archbishop		
Noris Okeke Alice Ringanayi Nisa Prosser Grace O'Hanlon Richard Uwagboe Matthew Fleming Luke Whitmore Stanley Fraser Ramell Talbot	9C 9Y 9Y 9W 8F 7C 9W 8W 7Y	The Chaplaincy Team	For being great ambassadors of the student chaplaincy team. I think the Archbishop was extremely impressed with you all.		
Bly Garrett	9C	Mr Crawford	Excellent Animal Farm homework from the perspective of Benjamin.		
Sadie Clark	Year 9	Miss Lewis	For the outstanding efforts in the preparation and		

Sinead Wickett Aimee Baillon Kerryann Brannigan Lauren Chancellor Mary Dosumn Bethany Smith Darren Teece Rhys Gallager Alisha Mclynn Chloe Purcell			making of food products for the Summer VIP Party.	
Year Seven and Eight pupils that attended Cadbury World	7/8	Miss McInery Miss Edwards Dr Beavan	A stunning display of how Cardinal Pupils can behave when out of school. We were so proud of all of the children who attended!	
Brenna Somerton	9Y	Miss Edwards	For producing an outstanding piece of extended writing. Well done!	
All of 8Y History	8Y	Miss E Edwards	For the consistent effort they show in their lessons.  They have been a pleasure to teach this year.	
Hanok Tesfay	Year 8	Mrs Saveker	For outstanding creativity when using the sewing machine	
Rebeca Karaliunaite Chloe-Louise Hinchley	Year 7	Mrs Saveker	For outstanding creativity when completing their homework projects.	
Berket Mario Jamie Smith Natalie Mieczynska Liam Poyner-Roberts Sian Gaynor Jack Leigh Daniel Sahota Billy Booth	9F	Miss Hennessy	For consistently outstanding behaviour and attitude to learning in their English lessons.	
Matthew Fleming Amy Bennett	7C	Miss Hennessy	For always showing an enthusiasm towards English and for reading with excellent expression.	
All students in 7S (Maths)	7S	Mr. Badmos	Excellent participation in problem solving task and exemplary behaviour for learning. Well done	
Year 9 History	9	Miss E Edwards	For being an excellent class, who always push themselves in my lessons. Keep it up!!	
The pupils who went to Savio House!	Year 9	Hannah, Ben and Mr Kerr	For being excellent representatives of Cardinal Wiseman School. The Savio team spoke extremely highly of you all and you all got stuck in and had fun! Thank you for a lovely 3 days.	
Ben Campbell Dylan Bowen Ed Gillon	10W	Mr Crawford	An excellent 'Inspector Calls' controlled assessment.	
Francene Brennan	7B	Miss Nuttall	Excellent attitude and leadership in lesson! Keep up the fantastic work!	