



The Friday Letter

Dear Parents/Carers,

Joint Advent Service

On Wednesday 17th December we will be having a joint Advent Service with Christ the King Catholic Primary School. The service will start at 7pm and will take place in the school hall. It will be a wonderful start to the Christmas festivities with singing, readings and reflective prayer. I hope that you will be able to join us.

Wiseman at Westminster

On Monday 8th December, four of our pupils (Areej Bibi, Mary Dosumu, Thembe Mholpe and Noris Okeke) travelled down to Westminster for the first ever youth parliament. Over the course of the day, along with politicians such as The Speaker (John Bercow), Tristram Hunt MP and Jack Dromey MP, the students debated the issues which affect them as young people today.

Mary was also interviewed by Sky News with our MP giving her views on lowering the voting age - well done Mary! All thoroughly enjoyed the day and were a credit to the school.



Year 11 Apprenticeship Opportunity

Are you interested in an Apprenticeship in manufacturing or engineering?

Applications are now open at Mondelez, use the link below to find out more or even apply
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Senior Citizens Christmas Party

On Tuesday 9th December pupils of Cardinal Wiseman Catholic Technology College, put on a spectacular Christmas 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 Christmas songs, and were on hand to serve the

senior citizens. The afternoon was full of fun and smiles.

There were over 70 senior citizens who attended. The afternoon consisted of bingo, a quiz and we ended with a raffle.

As a Catholic school we believe that it is important to remember the elderly and by organising this event it is a small token of the school's appreciation and support for the elderly people of the local community.

Lucy Hurley
Senior Lay Chaplain



Wind Band Concert



On Monday afterschool the recently formed Kingstanding Area Wind Band gave their first public performance to parents in the school hall. Featuring pupils from Christ the King, St Margaret Mary and Cardinal Wiseman the band performed a mixture of popular songs and Christmas pieces. In addition to the band pieces Kayla Barlow played Rudolph the Rednose Reindeer on the clarinet and Julia Dilinskas played the theme from Ironman on the Trumpet.

The band have made really good progress in a short space of time and are now aiming to perform at the Adrian Boulton Hall next term - Watch this space!

Writing Project

Miss Hennessey emailed all staff to share with a poem that has been written by Callum Comley in year 8. I'm sure you'll agree with the staff that it is a stunning poem. Well done Callum!

On a dull, dark day
The war came to say,
"It is time to start battle,
your bullets must begin to rattle.
Take your places,
and show us your faces
as we get ready to rumble
and the earth begins to crumble."
And then there came a very bad man.
He said, "charge your horses!"
and the war began.

All of a sudden there was that sound,
"Run straight ahead, don't look round!"
BANG! BANG! BANG! Men fell down,
It's very upsetting, you'll most likely frown.


Adolf Hitler was a fool -
all he brought was blood and gruel.
Guns were shot,
but they won't stop...

Woken up on a bright sunny day,
by a nurse who came to say,
"Your wife and kids are here for you"
I survived the war. Did you?

Have a good weekend,

Yours sincerely

Christina Stewardson

| Dates for your diary |  |
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| Wednesday 17 th December 7pm – Advent Service | |
| Friday 19 th December – school closes at 12.30pm for pupils. | |
| Monday 5 th January – Teacher Training Day | |
| Tuesday 6 th January – Start of the Spring Term. | |

STAR OF THE WEEK!

Breakthrough Akanbi (year 8)

Breakthrough's attitude to learning since he joined the school a few weeks ago has been amazing - keep it up! Nominated by Miss Kelly
Excellent recall and contribution to the lesson. Nominated by Miss E Smith.





STARS OF THE WEEK!



| Pupil | Class | Teacher | Reason |
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| Environmental studies Challenge group | 7 and 8 | Mrs Biddle | For successfully running their first environment week by encouraging people to save energy. |
| Kayleigh Bailey Chloe Roberts Grace O'Hanlon Daisy Aigbe | 10C | Mr Allen | Attained a high grade in her Literature analysis. |
| Jay Bevan | 9C | Mr Allen | Effectively chaired a debate. |
| Elle-May Lunnon | 9 op DT | Miss E Smith | Settled into Resistant materials very well |
| Callum Comley | 8E1 | Miss Hennessy | A superb poem entry for the English writing project! |
| Stanley Fraser | 9W | Miss Hennessy | An exceptional piece of writing on Wuthering Heights - enough to put Bronte to shame! |
| Chloe White Chelsea Ward Owens Rehbaum Paulina Zielinska Haroldas Varanauskas Jordan Powell Cortney Jarvis Khi Dennis | 11S | Mrs Meersand | For showing an excellent attitude in RE over the last few weeks. You are on the way to success! |
| Manuel Atzeni Neve Bessant Suraj Kandel David Aigbe Reece Seager Jake French | Year 7 & 8 | Miss Penn | For their excellent indicator designs in science club! |
| Owens Rehbaum Aiden Thompson | 11Media | Miss Easthope | For the quality and effort of their teacher assessment in Media. |
| Jordan Booker Jahquan Richard Yonatan Tiruneh Konnie Slattery George Wilkinson Ilana Taylor Petra Farbarova Amy Horn Yves-Moro Zahouo | 9S | Miss Easthope | For showing an excellent attitude to learning in English. |
| Lewis Pettitt Riley Malin Nicole Cullen Evie Millerchip | 8W1 | Miss Easthope | For their excellent contributions to class |

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| Reece Henderson Kevin Igbinomwanhia Lewis Carless Ayida Evans Abigail Whyke | | | discussion in English lessons. |
| Decklan Prosser Dominic Clark Jessica Hindmarsh Kamil Glowacki | 8W1 7W1 7E2 7E1 | Lucy Hurley | Great team effort at the Senior VIP Christmas party-well done. |
| Yamikani Ajuti | 7E1 | Lucy Hurley | For his excellent attitude at the Senior VIP Christmas party You were a star! |
| Chelsea Stroud Shanelle Smith Hakim McKenzie Christina Swoffer Brandon Cole Arren Gorman Erin Cole Aidan Thompson Rhett Crotty | 11S1 RE | Mr Vince | For fantastic effort and commitment in RE! Keep up the hard work! |
| Rushane Brown Cameron Smith | 11W | Mr Crawford | A well written comparison of spoken language. Well done! |
| Kayla Barlow Harmony-Lila Day | 7E1 Dt | Miss E Smith | Excellent knowledge recall |
| Demi-Lee Whitehouse Sapphire Allen Shelby Lowe Thomas Hone Farah Coubadja- Toure Stacey Cawser Courtney Finlan Ronaldo Burrell Joshua Brown Amy O'Brien Marc Gamwell | 7W2 | Miss Easthope | For being crowned synonym champions in English this week! |
| Connor Kirby | 8W2 | Miss Kharod | Well done for improving your effort in Science, this week. |
| Dylan Tranter | 9S | Miss Kharod | Improving behaviour and effort in Science. Well done and keep it up! |
| Kayla Barlow Courtney Finlan Harmony-Lila Day Julia Dilinskas | Yr 7 | Mr Gardner | For performing in the Kingstanding Area Wind Band's first Christmas Performance on Monday evening. |
| Morgan Mulholland | 9F | Miss C Edwards | For being a supportive student and helping others. |
| Jack Cullen | 9F | Miss C | Excellent work in Maths! |

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| Libby Jones | | Edwards | |
| Cameron Smith | 11 C | Mrs Gaton | Excellent Speaking Exam! |
| Sunshyne Hayes Akhil Shaine | 7 Creative writing | Miss Kelly | Very sophisticated work in Creative Writing |
| Thomas Lafferty Kwame Oteng-Adusei Mary-Ann Swoffer Adeola Shorinmade | 10 | Miss Kelly | Excellent contribution to this week's assemblies |
| Areej Bibi Mary Dosumu Thembe Mhlope Norris Okeke | 10 | Miss Kelly | Being wonderful ambassadors for the school at the House of Commons this week |
| Bradley Wickett | 8E2 | Miss E Smith | Supporting other students with practical skills |
| Whole class | 8W1 | Mr Mulcrow | For producing outstanding alternatives to 'Mary, Mary quite contrary' in History this week. |