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End of Year Enrichment – Current Years 8-11

6th July 2016

Dear Parents/Carers,

I am writing to inform you about the exciting and interesting activities and plans for the end of the academic year.

Thursday 14th July – Rewards Trip - Rock Assembly at Wembley

Pupils in Years 10 and 11 will be going to Wembley - a separate letter will be sent home regarding this event.

Pupils who are not going on this trip are expected to be in school.

Normal school for all other students including Year 8 and 9.

Friday 15th July – Sports Day – school finishes at 2.30pm

Sports Day is a fabulous, fun and friendly competitive day with a range of different team activities and the usual track and field sports events which allow pupils to excel in a range of sporting disciplines.

If weather permits, Sports Day will take place on Friday 15th July. It is essential that pupils and parents do the following:

- ✓ Pupils need to come to school in P.E kit;
- ✓ Pupils need to bring a bottle of water with them;
- ✓ In the event of sunny weather, pupils must come to school with sun protection applied. Under no circumstance can staff apply sun protections to pupils. Pupils who fail to have sun protection will not be allowed to participate.

In the event of poor weather, Sports Day will swap with Tuesday 19th July – we will inform you by text message.



Monday 18th July

Year	Activity	Additional information	Location
8	Rewards Activity	Happy Puzzle Company – a range of exciting and engaging team building exercises for the whole year group.	School
9	Rewards Trip	Black Country Museum - an additional letter will be sent home with further information.	Off-site
10	Enrichment Sessions	A range of enrichment sessions in school.	School
11	Work Experience	Letters have been sent home to parents about Work Experience. Any pupil who is not doing work experience is expected to be in school.	Various

Tuesday 19th and Wednesday 20th July

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Thursday 21st July

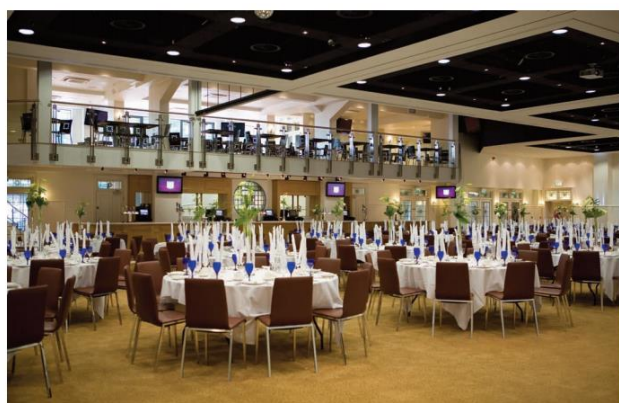
Please note that school will close at 12pm in order to prepare for Awards Evening.

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Awards Evening – Years 7-10

In order to reward the many pupils who have achieved fantastic things this year, we have decided to organise a brand new Awards Ceremony for pupils who achieved so well when they were in Years 7 to 10.

The ceremony will take place on **Thursday 21st July from 7 to 11pm**. This event is going to really special, therefore we have decided to hold the event in the **Holte Suite at Aston Villa Football Club** in Aston, Birmingham.



Approximately 30 pupils per year group have been nominated by staff for a range of awards that the school council decided upon including:

- ✓ Outstanding Attitude to Learning Award
 - ✓ Headteacher's Award for Academic Excellence
 - ✓ Most Improved Reading Award
 - ✓ Highest Number of Merits
- ✓ Catholic Life of the School Award
 - ✓ Wiseman Virtues
- ✓ Subject Awards for Outstanding Progress
 - ✓ Headteacher's Award for Outstanding Progress
 - ✓ Highest Reading Age Award
 - ✓ Homework Award
 - ✓ Sports Personality Award
- ✓ Most Improved Attendance Award

The parents of pupils who have been nominated for an award this year will receive another letter this week explaining that their child has been nominated. I would like to take this opportunity to congratulate those children. If your child has not been nominated this year then you will not receive a letter. Pupils should use this event as an incentive to work as hard as they can next year. **Please note that only pupils who have been nominated for an award are allowed to attend this event.**

Friday 22nd July – Whole School Mass

As in previous years we will celebrate the end of the academic year with a wonderful whole school Mass in the church. ***Please note that school will finish at 12pm.***



I am going to finish this letter by sharing with you a brief summary of some of the great successes this year that we have had, which were shared with the parents of pupils who are joining Year 7 in September:

- ✓ Last year, the average % of parents attending parents' evening was 58%. This year it is currently 85%.
- ✓ Nearly five times as many children are meeting their reading ages in school this year compared to the same time last year.
- ✓ Students want to come to Cardinal Wiseman, that is why we have a 96% attendance rating, this is above the national average.
- ✓ Current GCSE predictions are a 20% overall improvement on our 2015 outcomes
- ✓ Cardinal loves praise! This year **31,875** merits were given by our staff. This is more than **twelve times as many** as the previous year.

I would like to take this opportunity to thank our parents and carers who have supported us this year, on our journey forward in faith.

Yours sincerely,

Mr Beckett
Assistant Headteacher