



# Monthly Mail – January 2017

Dear parent/carer,

## Student Chaplaincy Team 2016-2017



Chaplaincy - Student Leadership Team



Whole school Chaplaincy Team

At Cardinal Wiseman the Chaplaincy team offers a wide range of opportunities for all of our students. The team is involved in a wide range of areas of school life from morning briefing for staff to the organisation of charity events, whole school retreats and Primary School links.

Students are welcome and challenged over their time at Cardinal Wiseman to engage with their faith through acts of individual and collective worship. These take place each day in DEAR, through leading weekly assemblies, with a number of opportunities for Mass and through a Reconciliation Service. Every student is offered times of reflection or retreat over their time at Cardinal Wiseman.

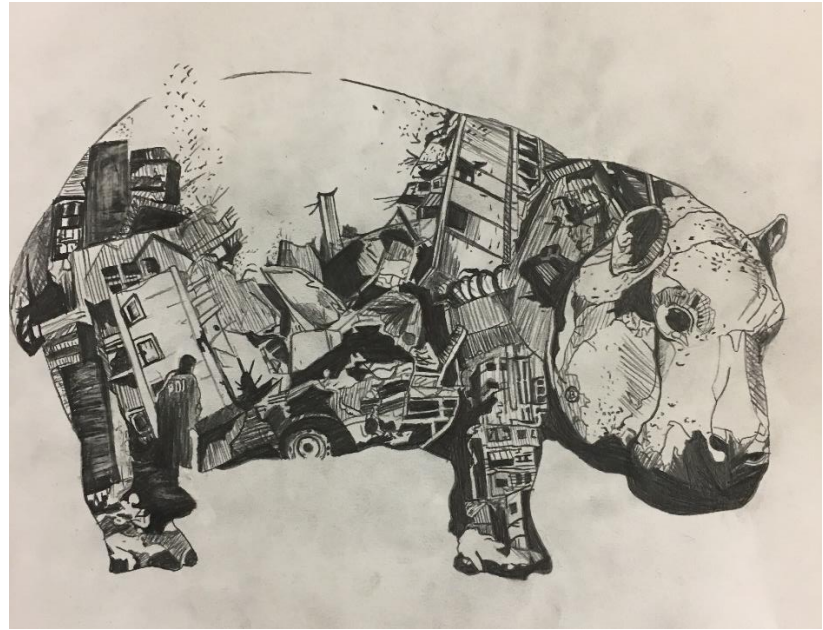
We believe that faith grows when you put it into action. There are many ways to be involved. Each DEAR group has a Chaplaincy Representative who both brings ideas from the class and lets the class know what is going on. We encourage students to find and develop their individual gifts and prayer life. They can do this in liturgies, assemblies, R.E lessons, helping with displays and taking part in various clubs and groups on offer. #AllForChrist

## Students have their say on the new school Mission Statement.....

To begin our new year together as a school, we hosted a retreat day with the focus of our day on our new school motto, 'Omnia Pro Christo'. Omnia Pro Christo was the motto used by Cardinal Wiseman, which translates to 'All for Christ'. We began the day in celebration with a whole school Mass, the Mass allowed us to look at new beginnings and how the new school motto can inspire us to make a change in our lives.

The remainder of the day allowed us to split off into our DEAR groups with the task of looking at the Cardinal Wiseman school mission statement. Using inspiration from our Wiseman Virtues and Cardinal Wiseman himself, the pupils had an opportunity to input their ideas for our new school mission statement. Johnny Leybourne





Earlier this month, Year 11 students completed a five-hour mock exam and yet again demonstrated how talented and unique they are. Students are motivated and enthusiastic about their art work and it is a pleasure to be a part of that. In particular, Tania Mufamba, Petra Farbarova, Lucy Burbidge and Wiktorija Dziabowska stood out during the mock exam for their original concepts. Year 11 have now started their final and 3rd sketchbook worth 40% of their GCSE and continue to inspire one another and challenge their own artistic skills.



### Going from strength to strength

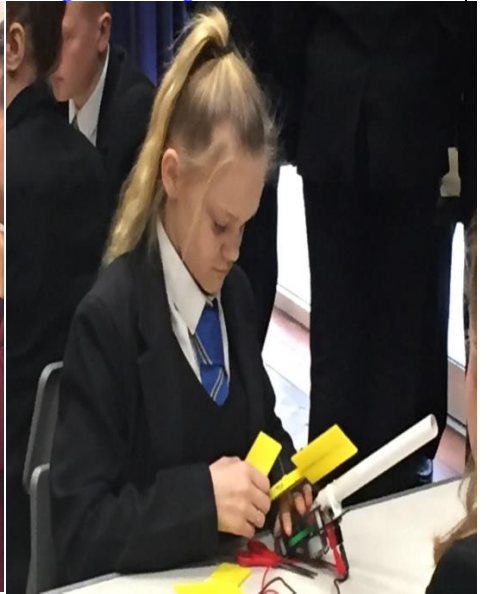
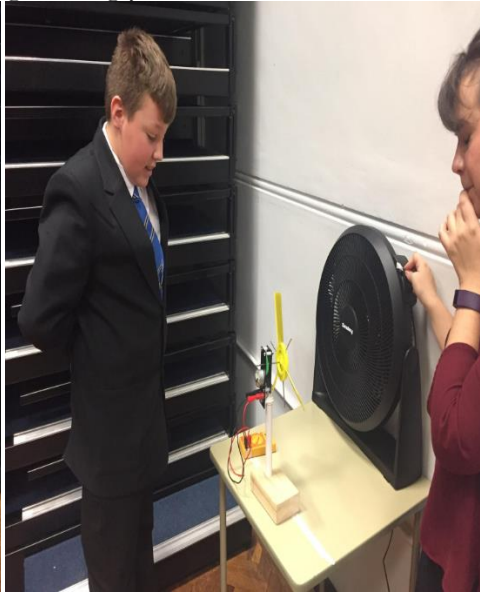
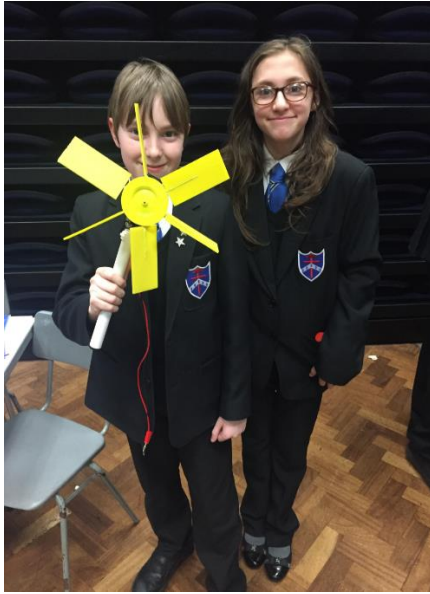
Over the last couple of weeks, the pupils have been carrying out their Star Reading tests. These tests will determine the current reading ages of the pupils and hopefully see improvements. With this in mind, Tayla Judge and Shoana Colleran one of our year 8 and year 7 pupils have achieved a reading age of 16 years and 6 months, a fantastic accomplishment - well done Tayla and Shoana.

Dream Big  
READ!

# YEAR 8 STEM DAY – Energy Quest

## Student Report by Jacob Buckley 8Bo

On Thursday 12<sup>th</sup> of January the whole of my year group took part in a STEM event [Science, Technology, Engineering and Mathematics]. The event was informative and we found out about future engineers and possible careers which would benefit our world. This event inspired me and gave me an insight into careers I had not thought of or knew existed. I enjoyed being creative by designing and engineering my own mini turbine. Many of us were astounded by the lack of engineers in the UK. This event unlocked new information about careers and I have some new goals which could help change the world for the better. For more information on engineering you can visit : [www.tomorrowsengineers.org.uk](http://www.tomorrowsengineers.org.uk).



## Sporting Success

On Sunday 15th January, the PE department took 9 pupils to see the BBL Live Finals as a reward for their hard work currently in lessons. It was a fabulous day and we witnessed a great Slam Dunk competition and a close final between Newcastle Eagles and Glasgow Rocks. The pupils had a brilliant day and enjoyed it thoroughly. Thank you to them all for coming and to Mr Powers, Mrs Cooney and Miss Gannon for helping with the trip.

## Uniform Donations

Do you have any uniform that is no longer used? We would be most grateful for any donations in particular skirts or trousers. Please drop into reception. Thank you.

# Do you run a club or group and need a place to hire or train?

We have our Sports Hall, Dance Studio, fields, classrooms and a Hall with tiered seating (200 seating capacity) available to hire evenings, weekends and school holidays.

We offer competitive rates and parking.

Please contact Tom on 07843 160128 (between 6am and 2pm) for more information.

## ATTENDANCE 2017

WHOLE SCHOOL ATTENDANCE: 95.81%  
PERSISTENT ABSENCE: 9.32% (BELOW 90%)

### ATTENDANCE BY YEAR GROUP


YEAR 7: 96.15%, persistent absence 12.9%  
YEAR 8: 95.77%, persistent absence 12.71%  
YEAR 9: 95.52%, persistent absence 10.25%  
YEAR 10: 95.70%, persistent absence 7.29%  
YEAR 11: 95.90%, persistent absence 7.29%

Well done to year 7!

In order for us continue to maintain good attendance this has unfortunately seen 5 of our parents being given penalty notices and fines issued during this term.

NOTE: Last days of terms/ non-school uniform days are ALL COMPULSORY school days where all children MUST attend.

ATTEND TODAY.....achieve TOMORROW!

Dates for your diary	
WB 6 <sup>th</sup> Feb – Year 9 Exam Week	
Fri 10 <sup>th</sup> – Sat 11 <sup>th</sup> Feb – Jimmy Mizen Sleepover/Prayer Vigil – 6.30pm – 8am	
Wed 15 <sup>th</sup> and Thur 16 <sup>th</sup> Feb – Showtime 4. Performances start @ 7pm	
Fri 17 <sup>th</sup> Feb – non-uniform day to raise money for our own defibrillator.	
WB 20 <sup>th</sup> Feb – Half term	
WB 27 <sup>th</sup> Feb – Year 10 Exam Week	
Wed 1 <sup>st</sup> March – Whole School Mass – Ash Wednesday	
Thur 2 <sup>nd</sup> March – World Book Day	

Yours sincerely,

Christina Stewardson

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*The main office hours are from 8am to 4.30pm.*