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Induction Evening, Induction Day & Sharing Great News

Dear Parent/Carer,

It gives me great pleasure to inform you that your child will be joining Cardinal Wiseman Catholic School at a truly impressive time in the school's history.

This year, we have been inspected by Ofsted and the Catholic Schools Inspectorate. Both inspections went incredibly well and show that our provision is making a huge difference to the lives of the students that we serve. I recommend that you take the time to read the reports - links can be found below.

<p>Inspection report: 14 April 2026</p> <table border="1"><tr><td>Exceptional</td><td></td></tr><tr><td>Strong standard</td><td>●●●●●</td></tr><tr><td>Expected standard</td><td>●</td></tr><tr><td>Needs attention</td><td></td></tr><tr><td>Urgent improvement</td><td></td></tr></table>	Exceptional		Strong standard	●●●●●	Expected standard	●	Needs attention		Urgent improvement		<p>Summary of key findings</p> <table border="1"><tr><td>Overall effectiveness The overall quality of Catholic education provided by the school</td><td>1</td></tr><tr><td>Catholic life and mission (p.3) How faithfully the school responds to the call to live as a Catholic community at the service of the Church's educational mission</td><td>1</td></tr><tr><td>Religious education (p.5) The quality of curriculum religious education</td><td>1</td></tr><tr><td>Collective worship (p.7) The quality and range of liturgy and prayer provided by the school</td><td>1</td></tr></table>	Overall effectiveness The overall quality of Catholic education provided by the school	1	Catholic life and mission (p.3) How faithfully the school responds to the call to live as a Catholic community at the service of the Church's educational mission	1	Religious education (p.5) The quality of curriculum religious education	1	Collective worship (p.7) The quality and range of liturgy and prayer provided by the school	1
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<p>Our latest Ofsted report awarded five Strong Standard judgements, placing us among the highest-performing schools inspected under the new report card framework and recognising consistently excellent provision across key areas of school life.</p> <p><i>"Pupils are confident that staff care about them. They feel safe and valued as members of the school community. Positive relationships between staff and pupils are commonplace and a pleasure to see."</i></p> <p>The report can be found in the About Us tab on our school website www.cardinalwiseman.net</p>	<p>As a Catholic school, we also get inspected by the Catholic Schools Inspectorate. Our CSI report from Feb 2026 shows that we were graded outstanding, which is the highest possible grading, in all areas of the inspection.</p> <p><i>"Staff are exemplary role models in their willingness to walk alongside the pupils. Through their relationships with each other and the care they show for pupils, they consistently bear witness to the school's Catholic life and mission."</i></p> <p>The report can be found in the Catholic Life tab on our school website www.cardinalwiseman.net</p>																		

As stated in our welcome letter, staff from Cardinal Wiseman are in the process of visiting pupils and staff from many primary schools as part of our transition process.

Induction Evening - Tuesday 30th June between 3:30pm and 6pm.

Here is a reminder about Induction Evening. **At least one parent or carer is expected to attend.** During the event, you will be required to attend an important presentation in the hall which will last approx. 45 minutes.

Due to the number of parents/carers, we have decided to split the year group into two halves. **Please ensure that no more than two people attend the evening.** Ideally this will be two parents/carers or one parent and the child. Please note that it is not essential for pupils to attend this presentation, as they will receive their own presentation during Induction Day on Wednesday 1st July.

	Students with surnames starting with the letters A – J	Students with surnames starting with the letters K – Z
3:45 – 4:00pm	Register - collect tie & chance to purchase spare tie £10 cash only	
4:00 – 4.45pm	Presentation in the hall by members of the Senior Leadership Team and your child's Head of Year and KS3 Raising Standards Leader	
5:00 - 5:15pm		Register - collect tie & chance to purchase spare tie £10 cash only
5:15 – 6:00pm		Presentation in the hall by members of the Senior Leadership Team and your child's Head of Year and KS3 Raising Standards Leader

Induction Day – Wednesday 1st July

Plans for Induction Day – see the letter for pupils at the end of this letter for further information.

It is critical that parents/carers complete the admissions form by **Friday 24th June 2026**. For safeguarding reasons, we cannot have pupils on our school premises for Induction Day without all of the information such as parent/carer contact details, medical details etc. as this would be a health and safety risk.

Please contact Mrs Porter (kporter@cardinalwiseman.net) if you require any assistance with completing the admissions forms online. If you have any questions, please visit our website or contact the school – enquiry@cardinalwiseman.net

If you would like us to be aware of any information of a safeguarding nature, then please do not hesitate to get in touch with the Safeguarding Team – dsl@cardinalwiseman.net

I look forward to meeting you on Tuesday 30th June at Induction Evening at the start of this exciting new chapter in your child's life. I am confident that with your support, your child will be wholly successful at our school.

Yours faithfully,



Mr R Swanwick (Headteacher)

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Year 7 Induction Day – Wednesday 1st July 2026

Dear Pupil,

We are looking forward to you becoming a pupil at Cardinal Wiseman Catholic School in September.

For many pupils, it can be worrying moving from primary to secondary school. If you are worried then this is normal. We will do many things to make the transition process as smooth as possible for you. If you read some of the quotes at the end of this letter from a range of different people, it might help to ease your worries.

As part of the transition process, we would like you to visit us on our 'Induction Day' on Wednesday 1st July. During the day, you will be involved in a variety of different activities such as a tour of the school, team building activities and lessons so that you have a better understanding about Cardinal Wiseman Catholic School.

Please **arrive at school between 8 and 8:20am** at the main reception where you will be met by staff and some of our student prefects. You will be invited through to our Breakfast Club to meet new friends! The day will finish at **3pm**.

Some questions you will need to know the answers to:

Lunch-time arrangements - lunch will be provided free of charge, as will a break time drink and snack courtesy of the Governors. However, if you have any allergies, please feel free to bring your own packed lunch. You should bring a bottle of water with you to school, which you can refill at break and lunchtime.

What do I need to bring with me? You will need your pencil case and school bag.

Do I need to wear my Junior/Primary School uniform? Yes.

We look forward to meeting you soon. If for any reason you are unable to attend, please ask a parent/carer to inform us at Induction Evening on Tuesday 30th June.

Best wishes,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'R. Swanwick', written in a cursive style.

Mr Swanwick (Headteacher)

“Pupils’ behaviour is impeccable. They are friendly, welcoming and a pleasure to speak to. Leaders have established a positive culture grounded in the ‘Wiseman Virtues’ that are lived by all.” – Ofsted April 2026

“I like that the school has high expectations of everyone and the teachers really want us to do our best” - Pupil Voice Feb 2026

“Teachers know their pupils exceptionally well ... all teachers have been trained to ensure that the individual needs of pupils are consistently met.” – Ofsted April 2026

“Pupils know that they are valued and cared for as unique persons, made in God’s image and likeness. They are happy, confident, and feel secure.” - Section 48 Catholic Schools Inspectorate Feb 2026

“Clear routines are fully embedded, making the school a calm and learning focused place to be.” – Ofsted April 2026

“Teachers give out so many merits which makes us really positive. We also get awards assemblies to celebrate the good things that we have done” - Pupil Voice Feb 2026

“Pupils here attend an inclusive school that sits firmly at the heart of its community. Leaders have set high expectations and aspirations for all pupils. Pupils flourish here and the school routinely improves their life chances. The ‘Wiseman Virtues’ are lived by all and lead to a culture of belonging, care and achievement that permeates the school.” - Ofsted April 2026

“In the Transformation Curriculum, there are so many opportunities for us to try new activities, help others and try and gain extra awards.” Pupil Voice Feb 2026

“Cardinal Wiseman is an outstanding Catholic School!” - Section 48 Catholic Schools Inspectorate Feb 2026