



Transition Evening Wednesday 2nd July 2025

Tutor group venues:

Please ensure you have signed in when you are in the classroom.

	Tutor	Room number	Staff
	group		delivering
	7CML	CA10	CCR
/	7PRN	CA05	JAT
	7SON	AY04	SON
l	7RDS	LF06	RDS
	7AMW	DV01	AMW
	7ABE	LF10	ABE/MGN
	7ELF	LF05	SSN
	7RCY	AY05	TRD
	7PWN	DV05	PWN

Aims of the session ✓ To establish how we will be supporting pupils in their Y6-7 transition ✓ To explore CNCS school expectations, principles and policies ✓ To be given an insight to Year 7's first day at **CNCS** ✓ To answer any questions you may have



Items to take away

✓ CNCS: The Newman Way Overview ✓Key 'Contact' card ✓ Uniform supplier bundle vouchers ✓ FMS entitlement form ✓ Parent app information (ClassCharts, Arbor, Gateway)

School Leadership Team 2025-26



Headteacher: Ms O'Connor

Deputy Headteachers: Mr McDonnell, Mr Lowe Assistant headteachers: Ms Perkins, Mrs Scanlon, Mr Franzoni, Mrs Nardiello, Mrs Chester Extended Leadership: Mr Abbott, Mr Heyes



The Year 7 Team

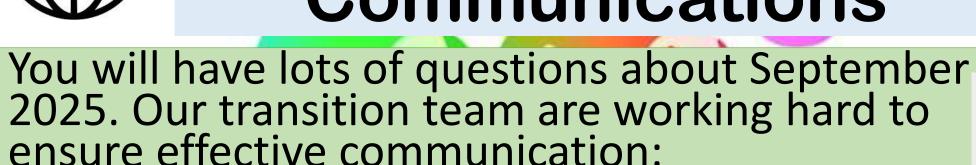
Leadership Link - Transition: Ms Perkins

Head of Year 7: Miss Mohan

Tutors: Mrs Minshull, Mr Davies, Mrs Clancy, Mr Radford, Mr Roberton, Ms O'Keefe, Miss Beetlestone, Miss Luff, Mr Owen, Ms Matthew, Mr Weston

Transition: Communications

Y6 TO Y7 TR



- School webpage
- Post
- Email
- Transition email inbox: cns_transition@hccmac.co.uk

COMMUNICATIONS

SEND

IN THIS SECTION

GETTING TO AND FROM SCHOOL

THE SCHOOL DAY

PARENT APPS

READING

TERM DATES

TRANSITION DAY 2024

TRANSITION INFORMATION EVENING (3RD JULY PM)

UNIFORM SUPPLIERS

Y7 RESIDENTIAL TRIP - BUSHCRAFT

Lots of information will be shared with you via the above





Transition Day

Today, students have:

- Met their HOY and SLT
- Met their form tutor (most- some are new staff!)
- Met the other students in their tutor group
- Made friends and took part in icebreaker activities
- Completed a session on Pilgrims of Hope
- Completed a subject session
- Enjoyed a free lunch/snacks and have had social time to themselves!









Transition: Summer Learning



Over the summer holiday, we will ask students to complete:

- 1. Maths transition work pack (Maths)
- 2. English transition work pack (English)
- 3. 'All About Me' project (tutor)

Students should complete these and return to teachers in their first lesson.



Uniform & expectations

CARDINAL

Our two main uniform suppliers are:

- Clive Mark
- Cat Ballou

You will be sent uniform vouchers to purchase a bundle at a reduced cost.



CARDINAL NEWMAN SCHOOL

Uniform and PE Bundle Prices Blazer up to 31" Chest Blazer 3

Blazer up to 31" Chest	Blazer 32"- 36" Chest	Blazer 37"-42"
Essential Value Pack	Essential Value Pack	Essential Value Pack
Black Blazer with logo	Black Blazer with logo	Black Blazer with logo
Jumper V neck striped	Jumper V neck striped	Jumper V neck striped
Clip on school tie	Clip on school tie	Clip on school tie
PE Polo with logo	PE Polo with logo	PE Polo with logo
Shorts with logo	Shorts with logo	Shorts with logo
Sports socks	Sports socks	Sports socks
£85	£92	£99

Bundles with Blazers size 44"-48" will be £105.00 All Bundle prices are also available online All offers are valid until Saturday 10th August 2024

<u>10% OFF</u> Shirts/Blouses, Trousers, Skirts and any other item of school uniform purchased in the same transaction (In store only)

Secure your uniforms by joining our payment plan and spread the cost with a small deposit Centrally Located Stockists of Work Trousers, Safety Shoes, and Hi-Vis Work Wear



Uniform & expectations



- Pupils must be in full school uniform black CNCS blazer, CNCS tie, jumper, formal black trousers/pleated skirt, white shirt, socks (plain-no bows)
- Black shoes NOT trainers
- School skirts- these must be pleated (no straight skirts allowed)
- Small stud earrings ONLY
- No other jewellery is allowed
- No nail varnish or false nails are allowed
- Hair must not be different colours (natural colours only)
- No hoodies/denim/leather jackets
- Plain black or navy outdoor coat

All items will be confiscated if pupils have these. Confiscation policy.

Further guidance can be found on our webpage: Cardinal Newman Catholic School - School Uniform (cncs.school)

Girls' Uniform

Black Blazer with school Logo Black jumper with school logo Plain white school shirt Clip on House tie Plain black tailored trouser or black pleated skirt Black shoes outdoor coats should be plain black or navy blue.

Hats and scarves must be plain black or navy blue. blue only.





Boys' Uniform Black Blazer with school Logo Black jumper with school logo Plain white school shirt Clip on House tie Plain black tailored trouser Black shoes Outdoor coats should be plain black or navy blue only A gentle Hats and scarves must be plain black or navy reminder! blue. The following are not allowed: Trouser: Skinny fit/skin tight; depon; made of heavy cotton material; contain Lycra; or similar stretchy/elastic fabric that would cause them, when worn to look skin tight/tapered, or with logos. Skirts: Lycra, stretchy or excessively short. Coat: Any colour that is not black or navy. Denim, fur or leather coats/jackets, tracksuit or hooded tops Shoes: Trainers, trainer-type shoe/boots, boots, cross trainer shoes, canvas shoes of any kind - including Vans and Converse - and no coloured laces, logos or labels.

Stationery & equipment



We want pupils to be organised and independent.

Students should be ready in September with:

- Pencil case
- Black/blue pens
- Highlighters
- A ruler / Sharpener / Pencil /rubber
- Maths equipment: protractor, compass, Scientific calculator
- Failure to bring equipment will result in a negative standards point.

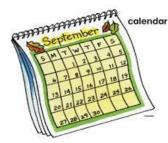






- Year 7 will start with us on <u>Wednesday 3rd September 2025</u> (details to follow)
- They will be the only year group on the school site on this day (a second Transition Day!)
- Pupils will be with their **tutor group all day** and will begin their Transition Package learning all about The Newman Way
- They will also: **get fingerprints taken** (if you give consent), receive ICT log on information, have a tour of the school, meet a range of staff
- Lunch will be provided for pupils on this day

More information will be shared via our webpage and post



Timetable & classes



Year 7 will be given their timetable in September. This must be recorded into Personal Organisers.

The timetable includes classes as below:

- Tutor group: mixed across all schools
- English/R.e/Humanities: set by English
- Maths/Science/Comp Science: set by MathsOther subjects: mixed ability
- Students will sit either French OR Spanish







Catholic Life is at the heart of everything we do.

All pupils are made in God's image; we are all 'Made for Greatness'

All pupils, regardless of faith, will take part in:

- Daily prayer
- Tutor group prayer services
- Masses
- Services
- And many more







Whether your child is from one of our main feeder schools, or from a non-feeder school, we strongly encourage new friendships being made via:

- Tutor groups are mixed across all schools
- Seating plans will encourage socialisation with new pupils
- All pupils will take part in Catholic Life friendship activities
- Residential trip October 2025
- Wealth of extra-curricular opportunities
- Competitions which promote socialising and kindness



Anti-bullying



At Cardinal Newman we take an educative approach to bullying. Please visit our website to see out anti-bullying policy and guidance on what parents can do to support your child if you feel they are being bullied.

We provide pastoral support for both the victim and the perpetrator as we believe that bullying violates our Gospel Values and that all students need to be reminded of their worth as a child of God.

Bullying is **NOT** tolerated at CNCS.

Measure and reporting techniques we have in place:

- Trained Anti-Bullying Ambassadors in each block
 - Anti-Bullying boxes
 - 'Speak Up' email inbox
 - Awareness days/weeks
 - Much, much more



Social media



All social media platforms have age restrictions.

We strongly recommend that pupils do not join social media platforms when they start Year 7.

Over 75% of issues in school derive from social media.



If your child is on Whatsapp, Tik Tok, SnapChat etc – we suggest you closely monitor all usage.



Attendance/punctuality



It is so important that all pupils attend school and that they are on time for school.

Pupils should all be aiming for 100% attendance.

Pupils must be in school by 8.30am each morning. Being late will result in a DT. If a child is not in tutor time/Period 1, a text will go home alerting you of this.

If a pupil feels unwell during the school day, they should see their Head of Year.

All authorised absences should be reported before 8am via telephone & our school voicemail service.

Just a friendly reminder that authorised absences are still absences and effect attendance.





Attendance/punctuality

Following DFE guidelines we follow the 'working together to improve school attendance', this means your attendance hits certain criteria it could result in fines.

If your child's attendance drops, please expect to receive warning letters to school. We will work with each individual family to remove any barriers you may have.

PENALTY NOTICE FINES FOR SCHOOL UNAUTHORISED ABSENCE AND LATENESS IS CHANGING BOCCODING OFFICE A Penality Notice fine will be considered when there has been 10 scenario of unautherized absence (including lateness ofter registers closed) in a rolling 10 week period. This can span different terms and academic years FIRST OCCURANCE The first time a Penalty Notice is issued for Term Time Leave or Irregular Attendance or Lateness (after registers close) the amount will be: £160 per parent, per child if paid with 28 days. Reduced to £80 per parent, per child if paid withing 21 days. SECOND OCCURENCE (WITHIN 3 YEARS) The second time a Penalty Notice is issued for Term Time Leave or Irregular Attendance or Lateness (after registers close) the amount will be: £160 per parent, per child if paid with 28 days. No reduced rate will be offered OFFENCE AND ANY FURTHER OFFENCE The third time an offence is committed for Term Time Leave or Irregular Attendance or Lateness (after registers close) a Penalty will not be issued and the case will be presented straight to the Magistrates' Court which can be up to: £2.500 per parent per child Cases found guilty in Magistrates' Court can show on a DBS certificate for a parent, due to failure in safeguarding a child's education









Pupils will have tutor times every morning from 8.40-9am.

Students should be on site no later than 8.30am each morning.

They will have **x5 1 hour lessons** each day of a range of subjects – all students will follow an **A/B timetable over two weeks**.

The school day will end at 3.00pm every day.

After school clubs and Homework Club (Year 7/SEND) will be open; further information to follow in September.



Personal Organiser



Every student in Year 7 will be issued with their Personal Organiser.

Planners are an **essential part of our equipment** and are used to:

- Record student timetables
- Record homework
- Record notes (log on information / key dates)
- Increase communication between school and home (messages etc)
- Review your child's attendance, APSPIRE, behaviour/homework points

We kindly ask that you:

- Read the contract in your child's Personal Organiser and sign it
- Continue to sign your child's Personal Organiser weekly



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Home Learning



For the first few weeks in September, Year 7 will be set a pastoral project to complete by Miss Mohan.

This will allow them time to settle in and find their feet. They will also get to know the homework timetable and will have had chance to explore the online homework platforms.

! All homework is set on Class Charts – you will receive parental log on information in September.





Social times



The canteen is open before school for tea and toast (no cost).

Break time is 20 minutes and lunch time is 40 minutes long.

Pupils have access to the whole site during social times: playgrounds, tennis courts, fields (weather depending), table tennis tables.

Behaviour and uniform expectations still apply during social times.

Lunch & the Canteen



The new lunch menu will be shared on our webpage.

Pupils can buy lunch via fingerprint biometrics OR using a canteen card (if no consent).

Our Gateway App is used to put money on pupils' accounts. Hand out provided for set up.

Free School Meals will be available for those eligible.



Year 7 Curriculum



Pupils in Year 7 follow a broad curriculum over an A/B two week timetable.

The number of lessons they have per fortnight is below:

- English 7
- Maths 7
- Science 7
- R.E 5
- P.E 4

- MFL 3
- Geography/History/Technology 3
- Art/Drama/Music/Computer Science - 2

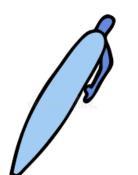


MFL in Year 7



All pupils in Year 7 will take <u>EITHER</u> French or Spanish.

Whilst you can request a subject via our webpage and the online Form, we cannot guarantee that this will be granted due to timetabling restrictions.



Assessments



At CNCS, we have x3 assessment points each academic year:

- Autumn
- Spring
- Summer

To support with these assessments, pupils are given:

- Prior notice about the assessment period
- A timetable and revision pack to revise from



Assessments



- Once the assessments have been marked and moderated, we report these to parents via Pupil Progress Reviews.
- Pupils engage with their Progress Reviews during a tutor time session and parents/carers are posted one home, too.

Please be aware that for their Autumn/Spring assessments, we report their progress via:

- Percentage score (%)
- Comparison to Class Average (%)

This method of assessment reporting allows pupils to be compared against pupils of a similar ability.

In their **Summer Assessment**, pupils are given a '*Aim High Target*' which follows a Grade 9-1 flightpath looking at where they should be in Year 7.

Please be aware that teachers and Heads of Department review classes regularly and if we feel that a child should be in a different group, we will engage with parents accordingly.



Extra-curricular



In September, we will share with students an Extra-Curricular Timetable which includes all of the lunch time/after school clubs and activities that run.

Whilst all clubs depend on staffing, we are likely to run: football, rugby and netball along with a range of others.

We strongly request that ALL Year 7 pupils sign up for an extra-curricular activity within their first few weeks at CNCS.

Road safety



Many pupils will begin making their own way to school.

We ask that you educate your child at home about road safety and how to cross a road properly.

There will always be staff out on duty, supporting pupils with crossing the road at the end of the school day. Students must follow instructions and should not cross themselves.

How can you support as a parent/carer?



We truly value the school/home partnership in order to give your child a successful experience at CNCS.

To support, we ask:

- Make sure your child knows their way to school over the summer holidays!
- You help your child pack their bag for the first few weeks do they have everything they need?
- Check your child has the correct uniform each morning
- Review and sign your child's planner weekly
- Check and ask what homework they have; ask to see the finished product
- Ensure your child has a reading book as part of their equipment
- Encourage your child to leave home in good time so that they are not late
- Discourage your child from being absent from school
- Ask about your child's experience of school (friends, lessons)

If you have any concern or queries, please contact your child's tutor; we will always try and support or resolve any issues you may have.







If you are in need of any support, we will always do what we can to help.

Please contact: cn_welfare@hccmac.co.uk

How we are supporting your child



- **Tutor support** each child has a Form Tutor first point of care
- **Transition Timetable** pupils will be in tutor groups for their first week, partaking in sessions all about The Newman Way
- **Uniform** if a pupil forgets uniform, visit Helenea (CA07) before 8.30am each morning to avoid a negative behaviour point
- Earlier break for a period of time
- Extra lunch for a period of time
- If you get the No16 bus, you will have an **early dismissal to avoid queues**
- Homework project for the first 2 weeks set by Miss Mohan (no HWK set during this time)
- Sharp Start- clocks to help you get to lessons within 3 minutes
- Library visit the library for a quiet space at social times
- Student Support Centre- for those with SEND
- SEND Coffee Mornings/Events throughout the year



SEND Support



Parents/carers of pupils with Special, Educational Needs are invited to our first SEND Coffee Morning on <u>Monday</u> <u>7th July.</u>

For further information, visit our school webpage.

Attendance must be confirmed.



Communications: From September 2025



From **September**, the communication system is as follows, in this order:

- 1. Contact your child's tutor
- 2. Head of Year, Miss Mohan

Leadership Link: Ms Perkins

Please be aware that we follow a 48-hour communication policy and staff are not on emails after 6pm.



Parent Conduct & Communications



- Parents are asked not to enter the school site unless scheduled for a meeting, collecting children from either reception or attending a consultation or information evening.
- Staff will not be able to meet with you without a scheduled appointment/meeting.
- Your child's form tutor should be your first point of call when contacting the school.
- We have a **48-hour communication policy;** please give us time to respond, if you do not hear anything please do phone reception or contact your child's HOY.
- We **do not tolerate any abuse towards members of staff**; we are all working in the best interests of your child and we request that all communications are respectful.

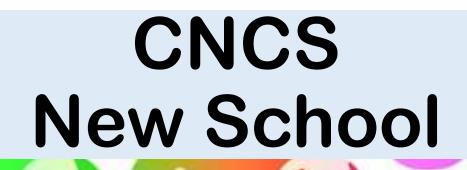
Upcoming key dates



Just a few dates for your diary:

- Monday 1st and Tuesday 2nd Sep- INSET Days
- Wednesday 3rd September Year 7's first day
- Wednesday 24th September Open Evening (earlier finish)
- Thursday 25th September School photographs
- Weds 1st-Friday 3rd October Bushcraft Residential
- Friday 14th November INSET Day
- Wednesday 10th December Carol Concert (all Y7 required)
- Thursday 15th January Year 7 Parents' Evening







We are delighted that we will have a brand new school opening September 2026.

Your child will move into the new school when they start Year 8!







CNCS Alumni Appeal



Ex pupil? What career path has Newman led you to?

We are recruiting for our Newman Alumni!

If you are interested in working with us, please leave your details.

Just follow the link below:

https://www.futurefirsthub.org.uk/register/cncs

If you have any problems please contact Miss Brennan in Careers – marie.brennan@hccmac.co.uk



Bushcraft Residential Trip (Weds 1st-Fri 3rd Oct)





