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Cardinal Newman Catholic School



Holy Cross Catholic Multi Academy Company

NEWSLETTER



And the angel answered her, "The Holy Spirit will come upon you, and the power of the Most High will overshadow you; therefore, the child to be born will be called holy – the Son of God."

HEADTEACHER'S MESSAGE

Dear Parent/Carers

We wish all our families a Happy Christmas and a prosperous New Year!

It has been a long and eventful term. Over the last 15 weeks students and staff have had a busy time delivering the curriculum and providing opportunities of enrichment, many of which are detailed in this newsletter edition. We are grateful for all the opportunities we have been able to offer and very proud of our students whose outreach work in the community is often recognised as outstanding. This term students have been community litter picking and supporting local residential homes amongst many other activities

Sadly, this term we sadly lost a member of staff, our beloved Mr. Said. He was our Design and Technology Technician who passed away in October. He was a dedicated member of our school staff body, and he will be greatly missed.

In addition to this we were sorry to hear that Jim Smith, the former school caretaker, sadly passed away. Jim who had retired had previously lived on site and was very popular with our student body. His daughter Sharon is a current valued member of our staff body, and our thoughts are with her and her family at this sad time.

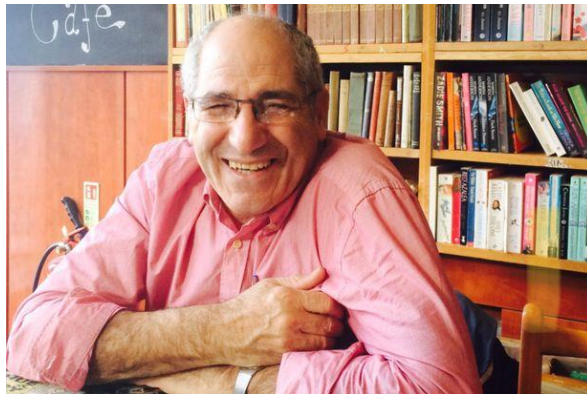
We take this opportunity to thank all our families for their support over the last year. We are aware that Christmas can be a challenging time and direct families to our welfare and safeguarding pages that are located at the end of the newsletter.

We look forward to the new term starting on 8th January 2024 and wish you all a peaceful holiday.

**Ms O'Connor
Headteacher**



Remembering Andrew Said



A much-loved Coventry teacher who 'inspired thousands of students' has died, his family have said. Andrew Said died after a short illness at the age of 76.

Andrew spent many years teaching Art and Design at Whitley Abbey Comprehensive School and Cardinal Newman Catholic High School. He was said to have been an inspiration to many during his forty-year career in Coventry.

He was known for being patient, innovative, inclusive and encouraging, his family said. Daughter Naomi said he will be 'deeply missed' following his death at University Hospital Coventry in Walsgrave.

Andrew began teaching in 1974 after emigrating from Malta. He studied Art at Lanchester Polytechnic and the School of Education in Birmingham. He dedicated his career to motivating young people to take part, develop their skills and discover their creativity, his family said.

Andrew loved teaching and even after retiring decided to take up a post at Cardinal Newman School as the Design and Technology Technician. He was still working there shortly before his death on Sunday, November 5.

Headteacher Emma O'Connor said: "He never failed to deliver, always with a smile and a word of advice to make things better and the news of his passing brings deep sadness to a school community who will miss him dearly." A series of large poppies that he created adorn the school railings each year on Sandpits Lane. Andrew also crafted a beautiful set of wooden benches at the Coventry Peace Orchard.

Outside of teaching Andrew loved to sing with the Coventry Philharmonic Choir. Daughter Naomi described him as a loving husband, dad and grandfather-of-two who will be 'missed by many.'

His family said: "We would like to thank the staff, chaplaincy and bereavement teams at University Hospital Coventry who cared for Andrew. He lived an amazing life sharing joy, interest and enthusiasm wherever he went. "He was generous with his talents, a kind, warm and encouraging man and a friend to many. Through our deep sadness at his loss, we cherish happy memories of his light and humorous outlook, boundless creativity and energy for participating in all aspects of life and all the conversations and meals shared.

"His joy and pride at becoming a devoted grandad of two, only in the year before his death, is something we will treasure, even through the heartache at losing him so suddenly. His death has been a big shock to us all. He will be missed by many."

Tributes have continued to pour in following his death at the age of 76. Andrew was described by his ex-students as 'wonderful and kind' with one saying they were 'eternally grateful.'

Anthony Atkinson said: "I am so sad to hear about the passing of Mr Said. He was a wonderful, kind, dedicated art teacher and was influential in me having a passion and lifelong career in Art and Design, for which I will be eternally grateful."

Remembering Jim Smith



Jim was a gentle soul with a big heart. He had time for everyone and consequently was universally loved and respected by all. He was affectionately referred to as Jimbo by all the students and he had the measure of them all. Along with his beloved late wife, Mary, they served the community of Newman for many years and will be remembered by many. - Mrs. Pears

It is with great sadness to hear of the passing of Jim Smith.

Jim served as caretaker to Cardinal Newman in the years 1979 to 2005 and along with his late wife Mary, is fondly remembered by many in the Newman community both past and present for his contribution to the school and wider community during those years. We wish his family our deepest condolences and send our heartfelt prayers and love.

Eternal rest grant unto him, O Lord and let perpetual light shine upon him.
May he rest in peace. Amen

Jim Smith and his late wife Mary contributed to the Cardinal Newman School community for many years. Jim, in the role of School Caretaker was respected by staff and students alike and always had a glint in his eye and a smile on his face. Our thoughts are with his family at this time. - Mr. Shaw



Return to School 2024



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20 December 2023

Dear Parents/Carers

We hope you are well at this time.

It has been a long term and we look forward to a happy and restful Christmas.

We return on 8 January 2024 we expect students to be ready to learn in the correct uniform and have the correct equipment.

We just wanted to remind you of the uniform and equipment requirements before the start of the new term:

Students must wear:

- Black school shoes. Trainers, boots or canvas shoes are not acceptable.
- Black tailored trousers. Jeans, skinny fitting trousers or leggings are not permitted.
- School blazers are compulsory and should not be replaced with a coat.
- School jumper and tie.
- Black or blue school coat.

Students must not wear:

- Jewellery, other than a watch.
- Nail varnish or acrylic nails.
- Bright, unnatural hair colours.

Students must be equipped for learning and should have a school bag, a pencil case with the minimum of black or blue and green pens, ruler, pencils, rubber, highlighters, sharpener, glue stick and a calculator.

We will be in contact with parents/carers on the first day if your child is not in school uniform or equipped for learning.

Please contact the school on welfare@cncs.school if you are experiencing any difficulties in preparing your child for the new term.

We hope you have a restful and peaceful Christmas.

Yours faithfully

Miss M Goodwin
Deputy Headteacher

Ms E O'Connor
Headteacher



TERM DATES

<u>Term</u>	<u>Term Dates</u>	<u>Teacher Training Days</u>
Autumn 2023	Monday 4 September 2023 to Friday 22 December	Monday 4 September 2023 Friday 29 September 2023 Friday 17 November 2023
<i>(Pupil Days 72)</i> <i>(Total Days 75)</i>	<u>Half Term Break</u> Saturday 28 October to Sunday 5 November	
	<u>Christmas Holiday</u> Saturday 23 December to Sunday 7 January 2024	
Spring 2024	Monday 8 January 2024 to Friday 22 March	
<i>(Pupil Days 50)</i> <i>(Total Days 50)</i>	<u>Half Term Break</u> Saturday 10 February to Sunday 18 February	Monday 19 th February 2024
	<u>Easter Holiday</u> Saturday 23 March to Sunday 7 April	
Summer 2024	Monday 8 April to Friday 19 July	Friday 28 June 2024
<i>(Pupil Days 68)</i> <i>(Total Days 69)</i>	<u>May Day Holiday</u> Monday 6 May	
	<u>Half Term Break</u> Saturday 25 May to Sunday 2 June	
<i>(Pupil Days 190)</i> <i>(Total Days 194)</i>	<u>Summer Holiday</u> Saturday 20 July	

CATHOLIC LIFE

NEWSLETTER

A photograph of four lit candles in a holder. One is a large white candle, and the other three are purple. They are set against a dark purple fabric backdrop with a white mountain range silhouette.

CNCS CHAPLAINCY

A photograph of a blue advent calendar with 24 numbered doors, hanging on a wall. A string of warm white lights is visible above it.

Advent Preparations

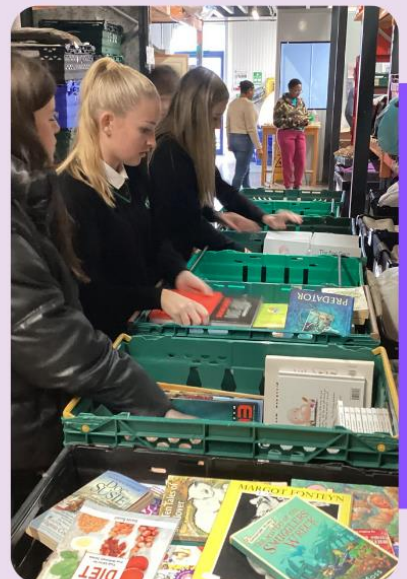
As we began Advent our Chapel had been getting ready with our Advent Wreath and Advent calendars. Come into the Chapel at lunchtime to help get into the Festive Mood.

Eucharistic Ministers

Earlier this term we took five 6th Form students to St Chads Cathedral to be trained by The Dean of the Cathedral in how to be Eucharistic Ministers to serve the school in the future.

Carriers of Hope

This term we took a group of students to The Refugee Charity Carriers of Hope, They spent the day ready to help organise books to give out to the family's who cannot afford it.



Remembrance day

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Every Year our school comes together to commemorate Remembrance Day our students get together to have a short service led by Fr Pat, It is a time to Remember people who were part of our school community and who gave their lives serving our country.

SPECIAL REMEMBRANCE

This year we made a special effort to remember Andrew Said, our DT Technician who sadly passed away this term. His Family was invited to attend the service and lay a wreath in his honor.



ALUMNI



CALLING ALL FORMER STUDENTS

If you are a former student of Cardinal Newman, we want to hear from you!

Your experiences since leaving school could help to motivate and inspire our current students to feel more confident in making decisions about their future. We'd love you to join our Alumni network and stay connected with the school.

You can choose when and how to help, such as through attending careers events, support with work experience placements, mock interviews, careers assemblies and many more.

We are also looking for past students to join a smaller steering group to support in planning future events.

Newman Alumni Sign up form



It doesn't matter when you left us, whether you are in further education or employment, whether you live nearby or have moved further away, there are still ways that you can help! If you would like further information, then please get in touch. Email:

alumni@cncs.school

To sign up and join our Alumni, please scan the QR code above and complete our sign up form. Or click

here: <https://forms.office.com/e/wnbU7ceBMD>



STUDENT LEADERSHIP

This year we have introduced a wide range of student leadership roles. Students signed up to the following:

- Junior student leader
- Student council representative
- Tutor representative
- Anti bullying representatives
- Subject ambassadors
- Peer to peer mentoring
- Reading aloud mentor
- Student librarian



Our first student council meeting of the year was held on Friday 20th October. Students discussed a wide range of issues, such as Social time activities, rewards, trips and our sharp start initiative. Our next student council meeting is on Friday 15th December.



We recently recruited for our cultural diversity group and are looking forward to our first planning meeting before Christmas to plan our exciting events.



Love Christmas Charity



Staff and students went to the Foleshill Social Supermarket to support the event 'Love Christmas'. We helped to cook and serve food, help children adopt teddies toys and books, help Santa, glitter and face paint children and bring some Christmas Joy! Mr. Jones might be missing on Monday as he had to fly back to Lapland after his shift today!

Op Sterling Course



Some Newman students continued with the Op Stirling course with ex Sgt White on the school grounds last week. The course has been challenging but students have been able to reflect on their personal behaviours and the discipline that goes around these. Thank you so much to ex Sgt White who gives up his own time to pass on his valuable experience and insights to enable our students to develop key characteristics and leadership skills

Residential Home Visit



Students had a lovely time today at Ashfield Residential Home (**Mauricare Ashfield House**). Some of the students were taught knitting and we also had time to make some mince pies! Thank you to Ashfield for hosting us. It is lovely to hear the stories from the residents and how much they enjoy our company!

CNCS Family Christmas Mass



On Wednesday 13th December we held our beautiful mass that started with Carols and finished with the Year 7 Rocky Robin performance. Our thanks as always to Fr Pat and to all our wonderful families for their support. Well done to our Year 12 Lourdes Group for providing the refreshments.



CNCS Mass



We are delighted that we have been able to come together as a school and celebrate mass this week. Thank you to Fr. Pat who hosted us at Holy Family Church over the last two days. Both masses were a fabulous celebration of all we have achieved this term and an excellent opportunity to continue our Advent Journey. Thank you to our readers and choir. Congratulations must also go to our Year 12 Eucharistic Ministers who received their training at St. Chads Cathedral earlier this term and made their debut this week.

Advent Charity Fundraising



As part of their Advent Charity fundraising, some Year 9 students organised a litter pick around our community. The students did a fantastic job collecting a lot of litter and raised money in the process which will go towards CAFOD World gifts. You are a credit to the school and we are so proud of you!

CNCS Staff Family Christmas Panto



Staff and their families had a great time yesterday afternoon at the Christmas Pantomime courtesy of local theatre company Funny Business. They put on a performance of Hansel and Gretel featuring Newman students: Ciar and Brodie J and Head Girl, Emma J. Refreshments were provided by Sixth Form students raising funds for their Lourdes pilgrimage and youngsters even had a surprise early visit from Father Christmas and his elf.

The residents at Mauricare Ashfield House came along to join in the fun too! Great fun was had by all and a huge thanks to Funny Business!

CNCS Christmas Dinners



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Year 7 – Mr Poole

A huge welcome to all our Year 7 parents and carers. Everyone in Year 7 has been busy this half term completing their autumn assessments, of which we are all very proud of the students for working so hard to achieve their best.

We would all also like to take this opportunity to wish all our families the best Christmas and New Year. Merry Christmas everyone!

Year 7 – Celebrating Success

Ella Waterhouse – Qualified for the Irish Dancing world championships.

Year 7 Top ASPIRE Scorer



Year 7 ASPIRE and Rewards

Tutor Group	ASPIRE Points
7APP	5600
7APT	6005
7CBE	7011
7CTN	4652
7EHS	3999
7HCL	6852
7JPR	4606
7OLT	8299
7RAB	5408



Top Tutor
Attendance

Year 7 - Awards Assembly



Year 7 were next to celebrate all of their achievements in their Rewards Assembly yesterday and what a lovely occasion it was! Well done to all of the students who won Subject, Tutor and Head of Year Awards and particularly the students who won the 100% attendance raffle and each were gifted a brand new bike! We are very proud of you all!

Year 7 Disco



Year 7 students had the best time at the Christmas Disco! Well done to staff and students going to Lourdes (and some who aren't but just happy to help!) for organising and a big shout out to our Site Team who have made the Pope Francis Hall look fabulous and to Mr. Hedge for being our DJ ensuring the dance floor was full all night!

Year 8 – Mr McLintock

A very warm welcome to the students and parents of Year 8. It has been a very busy few weeks with students completing their Autumn assessments and we as a school are very proud of how you have managed this. Another huge well done to the many subject and tutor ambassadors that have been chosen to represent Year 8. Remember, your pastoral team are always here to support you and do not hesitate to ask if you ever have any questions or concerns.

'Occasiones non factum te creare eos'

Opportunities do not happen, you create them

Inter Tutor Standings

Attendance

8CRN – 89.1%
 8EMY – 96%
 8EWB – 93%
 8FGH – 93.9%
 8HSE – 95.2%
 8JMH – 95.4%
 8LNN – 98.4%
 8SDS – 95.6%
 8SNL – 96.8%

ASPIRE

8CRN – 2843
 8EMY – 3245
 8EWB – 1866
 8FGH – 1875
 8HSE – 1717
 8JMH – 1590
 8LNN – 1995
 8SDS – 1667
 8SNL – 3756

Year 8 Stars of the Week

Names	Tutor Group
Caoihme McGrory, Arvin Liu	8CRN
Lidiia Dovbenuik, Daniel Jackson	8EMY
Gethin Davies, Theo Bray	8EWB
Shay Tamne, Jenna Thaker	8FGH
Ceanna Ntahorobuze, Bobby Smith	8HSE
Ted White, Amelia Telatynska	8JMH
Gracie Watts, Auerlia Wegrzyn	8LNN
Belle Jarvis, Emse Rochester	8SDS
Kitty Sullivan, Eva Thompson	8SNL

Year 8 Notice

Inter-Tutor Standings
'Occasiones non factum te creare eos'

Tutor	Points
8EWB	8
8FBH	7
8CRN	4
8LNN	2
8EMY	2
8SNL	2
8SDS	1
8HSE	1
8JMH	1

4pts = Win
 2pts = Draw
 1pt = Lose

No points for a no show

You automatically get 5 points per person who shows up!

Currently leading the way are 8EWB, a big congratulations to them.

If you have still not entered it is not too late to do so. Fixtures are done in a round robin style so there are no knockouts.

From this point on if your tutor group is represented and you lose you will still be awarded points! All the more reason to enter and turn up

REMEMBER YOUR DAY IS A FRIDAY!!!!

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Year 8 - Poetry Slam Workshop



On Friday 8th December, some Year 8 students took part in a poetry slam workshop with previous Coventry Poet Laureate (Emilie Lauren Jones). The students were working on the theme of refuge and completed poems in groups. The winning group was: James, Calvin, Geovanny, Lucy, Maira and Natalia. They will be given the chance to compete against other students from Coventry in a Poetry Slam in the New Year. Well done to all who took part!

Year 9 – Mrs Eggison

Hello Year 9, Can you believe it is December? We have lots to look forward to this term. Some of you are going on your first residential to Soli house and we have lots of Christmas activities planned. We are also busy taking part in our Charity events for Advent. Please ensure you are bringing in items for the food bank. However please remember that with reward comes some expectations, we need to show excellent behaviours and attendance and live up to our school ASPIRE values.



Tutor attendance since September



Tutor Aspire since September

9ABI	87%
9AHR	97%
9AKY	94%
9JGD	93%
9LHN	93%
9LMR	97%
9MUD	93%
9RDS	94%
9TGN	95%

Don't forget the tutor group with least negative points wins the top notch tutor trophy and a box of sweets.

9ABI	4797
9AHR	5261
9AKY	4701
9JGD	6095
9LHN	5258
9LMR	6098
9MUD	3795
9RDS	5401
9TGN	4544

'Ex Nihilo nihil fit'



Year 9 – Awards Assembly



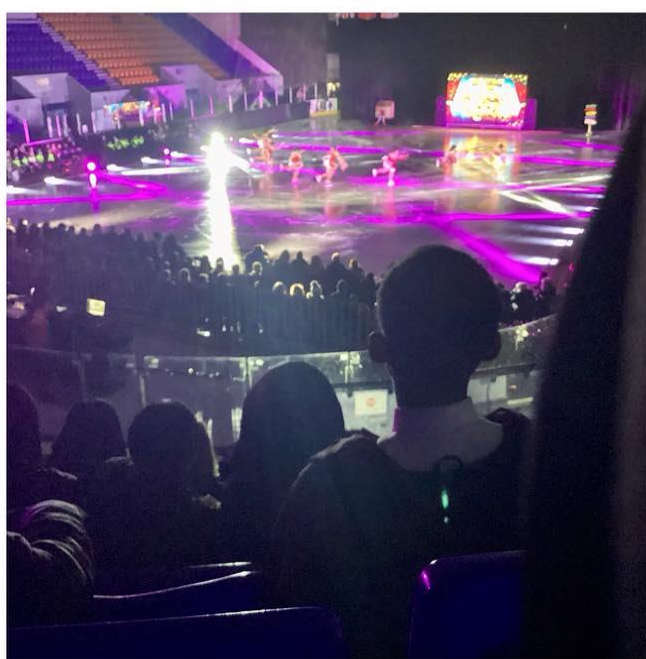
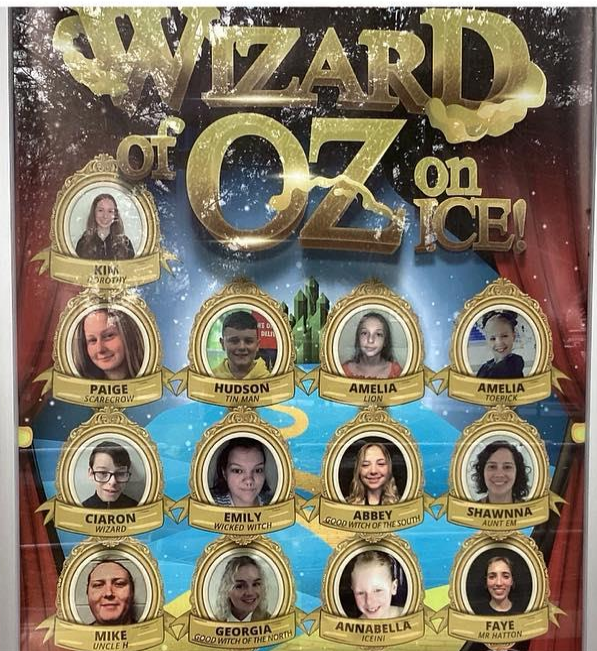
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Year 9 – Wizard of Oz, Planet ICE



Year 9 enjoyed a festive theatre trip to see Wizard of Oz on Ice yesterday. The students had a joyous afternoon watching the spectacular ice skaters and fun was had by all! It was also wonderful to see Faye T in Year 11 being a huge part of the show itself!

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Year 9 - SoliHouse Trip



This December CNCS took 40 Year 9's to Soli house In Staffordshire. Soli House is a spiritual retreat center ran my The Kenelm Youth Trust created to help teenagers and young adults to develop and grow in their spirituality. The theme for this retreat was 'A Case for Christmas' throughout the retreat we looked into the evidence for faith and the reasons why we question our faith and how we can over come this in our modern society.

Year 9 - SoliHouse Trip



Our students challenged themselves by challenging their teamwork, coordination and personal opinions. Students partook in various challenges and outdoor activities such as a group Hike and Low ropes team challenges. Each student got an opportunity to work with the volunteer team at Soli House to question their faith and engage in conversations of faith.

Year 9 - SoliHouse Trip



Year 10 – Mr Abbott

A very warm welcome to all our Year 10 students, parents and carers. As always, it's an exciting time for our students as they will have an assembly that launches their 'work experience' placement taking place in the Summer term. This is a fantastic opportunity for all students to experience the skills, day-to-day tasks and requirements needed within the workplace. More details will be shared with you soon. Another success has been the attendance to the Period 6 English intervention for all students. This has been excellent, and our students have really engaged in the revision sessions in preparation for their Mocks but also the actual GCSE exam in the Summer of 2024. Well done to all Year 10!



Best Tutor Attendance

10AMY – 95.94%



Tutor Attendance – since 5th Sept

10AMY	95.94%
10CML	90.84%
10CPE	90.26%
10CHT	89.25%
10SWN	88.76%
10EBG	89.98%
10ABK	83.95%
10NSI	86.38%
10NOE	84.57%

Total Tutor ASPIRE points – since 5th Sept

10EBG	4086
10CHT	3078
10CPE	3173
10ABK	2822
10SWN	3019
10NOE	2884
10AMY	2659
10NSI	2735
10CML	5082



Year 11 – Miss Oakman

Mock Examinations

The next round of Mock Examinations will commence on the 5.2.2024. Students will also be sitting a in class assessment in core subjects when returning to school post the Christmas holidays. To support the children in their revision they will receive a Christmas homework booklet which will have details on the homework/revision they will have to complete during the Christmas holidays. This booklet will be posted home and uploaded to classcharts.

Christmas rewards Trip

To reward Year 11 on their hard work we will be taking the year group on a funded school trip on the 18.12.2023. Please ensure you click the forms link below to consent to your child attending the trip:

<https://forms.office.com/e/V4Sne1G1pg>



The children will be in none uniform and will leave from town on the afternoon of the trip.

Year 11 – Miss Oakman Parents Evening

On the 30.11.2023 we held parents evening for year 11 students. This was a highly attended event, students, teachers and parents discussed the recent Mock examination results, aim high targets and teacher forecasted grades. For those parents who were unable to attend please refer to Arbor and your emails for a copy of your child's most recent mock results. If you would like to discuss these result further, please do not hesitate to contact your child's teachers via email.

It is important when reading their results, you note the following:

- **Aim High Target-** This is the target they should be aiming for at the end of year 11.
- **Teacher Forecast-** This is what their teachers are proposing they will achieve at the end of year 11 based on their current progress.
- **Mock Result-** This is the grade the students achieved in the Autumn round of Mock exams.

Key Dates:

5.2.2024- Mock Exams round 2
22.3.2024- Year 11 Takeaway evening



Year 11 - Awards Assembly



Year 11 celebrated the end of term in style today in their Rewards Assembly! Year 11 have had a lot on this term with mocks, Period 6, Period 7 and Saturday school and it was lovely to celebrate all their hard work and achievements! Well done to all of the students who won Subject and Tutor awards and particularly the students who won the 100% attendance raffle and were gifted a brand-new bike! Well done Year 11, we're extremely proud of you and keep proving you're made for greatness!



Year 11 – Rewards Trip



Year 11 had lots of fun on their rewards trip to the Skydome and the Cinema! As you can probably tell, there were lots of 'bambi's on ice! It was lovely to see Year 11 celebrate their hard work and achievements this half term and we hope they have a lovely and restful Christmas break!

Year 11 – Rewards Trip



Post 16– Miss L Mohan

Futurum incipit hodie non cras- 'The future starts today not tomorrow'

As we approach the end of the Autumn term, our Post 16 students have been very busy completing exams, bringing Christmas to the common room and starting the month of 'Advent'. We have had some great opportunities including guest speakers, career fairs and mock interview practice. We have lots to look forward to coming up over the next few weeks including taking part in our Christmas school mass, our Christmas rewards assembly and Christmas dinner. Lastly, I would like to wish you and your families a restful and fantastic Christmas, and I look forward to seeing our students in the new year.

Year 13 Parents Evening is on Thursday 14th December. All parents must attend and students.

Please ensure you have booked your appointments as this is the last time you will have to speak to teachers before the exams.

<https://NewmanCoventry.schoolcloud.co.uk/>

Alternatively, you can access the booking page through the link on the school website.

A massive congratulations to all Y13 students who have sent their UCAS and have received some phenomenal offers.

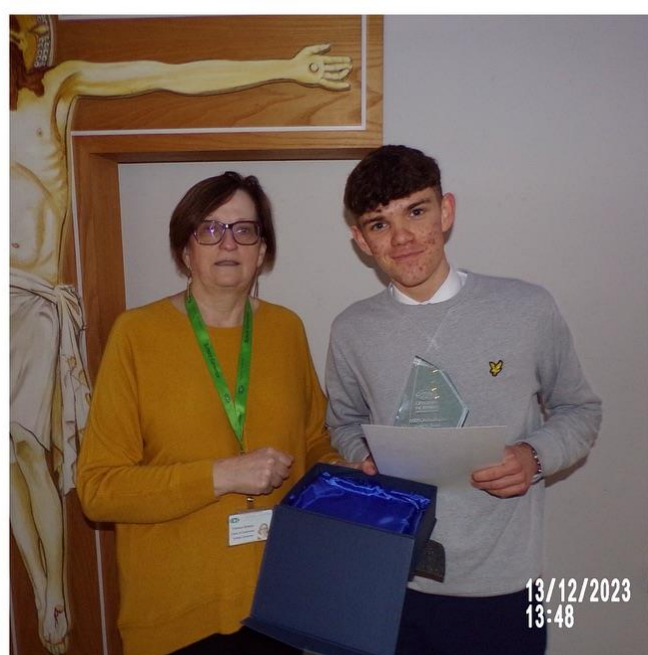
We are so proud of you!

CONGRATULATIONS!

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Post-16 - 100% Attendance



A massive congratulations to Sam C and Camiah B in Year 12 who have achieved 100% attendance throughout their 5 years here at Newman. This is a phenomenal achievement, and we are so proud of you!

Post-16 Awards Assembly



Post 16– Enrichment

Students who are interested in doing a degree apprenticeship in engineering were visited by Warwick University for a talk about pathways and how to get into engineering. This was a great opportunity for our Y12 and Y13 students to get advice and ask questions. They found it extremely helpful and now know what to do for their next steps!



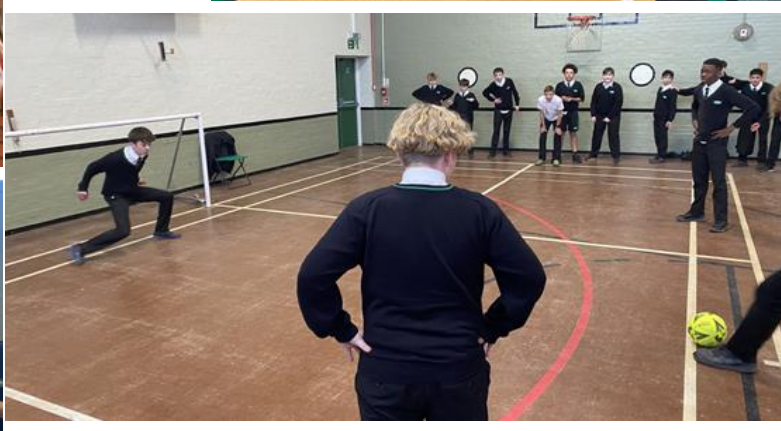
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Social Time – Mr Wilson

Students have been enjoying the benefits of the activities at social times.

There is lots of new equipment in the storage boxes each year group requested as part of their social time bid from the student council action points. As well as this, students are enjoying the opportunity to relax and destress in the well-being rooms at lunch times which have computer consoles, cards, uno board games and even air hockey tables.

The sixth form leaders have been running a EAFC tournament and also helping in each year group zone at lunch times.



PSHE

During this term we have had the opportunity of The Loudmouth Company to come into school and deliver assemblies and workshops on topics related to relationships (RSE) and health and wellbeing.

Year 7 – ‘My Mate Fancies You’ – Whole year group assembly and workshops on ‘Puberty, Growing Up and Transition to Secondary School’.



Year group theme: Year 9 – ‘Calling it Out’ - Issues covered include harmful sexual behaviours, sexual harassment, sexual assault, pornography, consent, misogyny.



Community events

This half term students have been working with several different organisations to develop their character, personal traits and make them active citizens.



Eco-committee

On Wednesday 22nd November, our MAC Eco reps attended the first meeting alongside our other MAC schools. Zachary and Emily from Year 12 attended the event, along with Mr Davies. Mrs Scanlon has been into assemblies to discuss Global warming and how students can join our school Eco-committee. We can't wait to tell you about what exciting projects our pupils have produced in our next newsletter



Art



Our art students are working on some fantastic outcomes this month!



ENGLISH

The Wonderful World of English

Word of the Year

AUTHENTIC [adjective]

Merriam-Webster's Word of the Year for 2023 is *authentic*—the term for something we're thinking about, writing about, aspiring to, and judging more than ever. *Authentic* is often connected to identity, whether national or personal

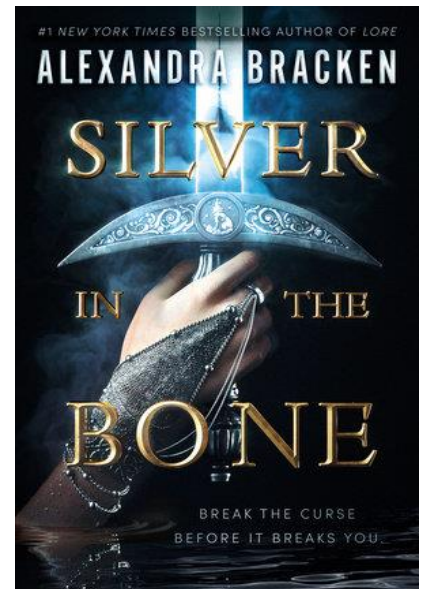
Can you use this in your English lessons?

Book Recommendation

Silver in the Bone

By Alexandra Bracken

"Simmering with magic, peril, romance, and heartbreak."



Jane Austen

(16th December 1775)

Books worth reading:

Pride and Prejudice, *Emma*,
Persuasion, *Sense and Sensibility*,
Mansfield Park,
Northanger Abbey

Quotation of the Week

"successful people are not gifted; they just work hard and then succeed on purpose."

J.K. Nelson



ENGLISH

Y7/8 English Development Trip!

Several students were selected to attend a poetry event at Sidney Stringer school with poet and author Spoz!

Shihon - "It was a really fun trip; I really loved it and I really want to thank you and Miss Cotterill for organising and helping us to go on this amazing trip."

Roy - "The activities were very fun! We got to write and make up our own poems."

Anne - "We worked as a team to create a piece of writing. My favourite part of the day was learning about the poetry as normally I stick to descriptive writing or story writing so this was a new attempt. I honestly hope I can have more chances like this!"

Cole - "The trip was amazing!"

Eva - I learnt and gained a lot from this trip and thank you very much for giving me the opportunity to do it.

Year 12 Debate Trip

Four Year 12 English students participated in a debate competition alongside other schools from the West Midlands.

Congratulations!

Heath: The debates were, for the most part, well-rounded and eloquently expressed. It was a pleasure to participate and an interesting end to the working week to hear our co-competitors deliver their own orations, with varying success.

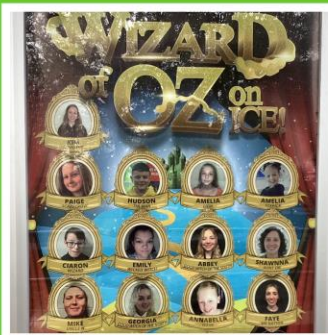
Lukas: The debate proved to be a good all-round experience and opened our eyes to the nature of public speaking and academic competition. All schools performed well - it was interesting to see how the controversial motions were handled by other students in their own unique way.



ENGLISH

Year 9 – Wizard of Oz @ Planet Ice Trip!

On Tuesday 5th December, 55 Year 9 students watched a performance of Wizard of Oz performed on ice by wonderfully talented ice skaters of Coventry including our very own; Abbey Taylor (Year 13) & Faye Taylor (Year 11). Students had a joyous time getting into the festive spirit through the visual arts.



ENGLISH

Year 11 – A Christmas Carol Theatre Trip!

A number of our Year 11 students visited the Crescent Theatre on Thursday 7th December 2023 to see a performance of A Christmas Carol for their English Literature GCSE. The performance was exceptional, as were our students!



Year 8 – Poetry Slam Event!

Year 8 students were visited by Coventry poet, Emilie Jones, where they participated in a poetry slam workshop. The winners of the workshop will go on to the compete against other schools in the new year!



Maths

Head of Department's Stars of the Fortnight

Year 7 : Keturah Ngemegwai
Year 8: Ketan Ketan
Year 9: Carys Ezzati
Year 10: Jasmine Lysik
Year 11: Bridget Williams
Year 12: Sonny McGovern
Year 13: Konrad Zeno

Can you solve this puzzle?

$$\text{●} + \text{●} + \text{●} = 6$$

$$\text{●} + \text{■} + \text{■} = 10$$

$$\text{▲} \times \text{▲} = 25$$

$$\text{▲} + \text{■} \times \text{●} = ?$$

Famous Mathematician of the Month

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Ada Lovelace
(1815 – 1852)

Nationality
British



Known for

Being seen as the first computer programmer, working with Charles Babbage and his 'Analytical Engine'

π



Birmingham Catholic Partnership Challenge:



CNCS recently hosted the annual Birmingham Diocese KS4 Maths Challenge. We hosted students from schools across the diocese for a series of mathematical brain teasers and team-based tasks.

Congratulations to our team who came third overall! Thank you, Mr. Mistry for running the event.

Mr Owen's Artemis Question!

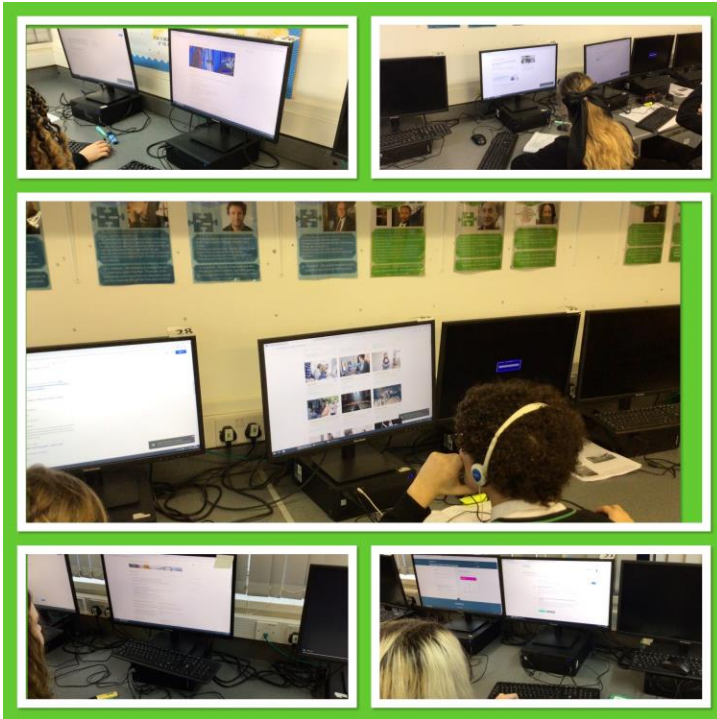


The currency used on the planet Zog consists of bank notes of a fixed size differing only in colour. Three green notes and eight blue notes are worth 46 zogs; eight green notes and three blue notes are worth 31 zogs. How many zogs are two green notes and three blue notes worth?

A 13 zogs B 16 zogs C 19 zogs D 25 zogs E 27 zogs

Send your answers to Mr Owen via email or pop into AY04

Media Studies



Careers across the Curriculum Fortnight - December 2023

In the Careers across the Curriculum fortnight (December 4th - December 15th), Year 10 Media Studies students were tasked to understand the skills that a qualification in Media Studies helps them to develop, such as research, knowledge of the wider world and analytical skills. Students then used a range of platforms to help them research the range of roles and careers that Media can open up to them. The students were shocked at the array of careers Media Studies offers and some are now considering a future career in Media!



Coming to a classroom near you very soon!

Keep an eye on our socials and your emails for the first issue of our new school magazine!





Science

STEM Club

STEM Aircraft Challenge Success.

On Monday 13th of November 60 pupils from year 9 took part in the STEM Aircraft Challenge Event. The event began at 8:40 and ran all day until 3:10 in the Pope Francis Hall, an ideal place offering plenty of space to build and test the various aircraft designed during the day.

The day started with an introduction to the career opportunities available within engineering and then the practical activities began. The first activity was to build the tallest tower possible made only from paper that would support a mass, some of the results were impressive standing over 2 metres tall.

Having engaged brains with the tower activity pupils were then introduced to the science of flight before being given the challenge of designing and building the first prototype aircraft of the day., resources were deliberately limited to make it a challenge.

Then the main event of the day took place, to design and build a balsa wood aircraft powered by an electric motor. Resources were unlimited for this event but the challenge was to build the best aircraft as cheaply as possible, there was a cost to each resource used. Teams of 6 pupils were formed, each member being given a specific role to play. The team had to design, build, market and present their model aircraft before flying the planes in the competition in the afternoon. There were some excellent presentations and a wide variety of designs produced and flown in the competition to complete a day thoroughly enjoyed by all those that took part.

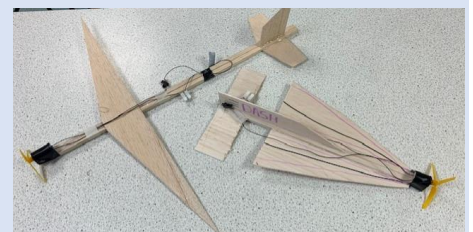
STEM Club takes place every Wednesday after school, starting at 3:10 and finishing at 4:00. Anyone is welcome to join if you have an interest in science and technology and would like an opportunity to try out new some new activities or just have a another chance to complete something you enjoyed in your science lessons.

The club has recently built and tested a set of bridges that they designed themselves and in the latest meeting dissected fish eyes. The club is run to meet the interest of its members and all the activities are chosen by them.

Forthcoming events:

Wednesday 13th December - Titrations

Wednesday 20th December - Egg Lander Challenge



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HISTORY CHALLENGE

History Challenge: who is the person from the past?

Quote from the person

'Socialism does not aim at robbing the rich but at preventing the rich from continuing to rob the poor'

Key event the person was involved in

He also agitated for the eight hour day through the Eight Hour League - an organisation that he founded.

Key word connected to the person

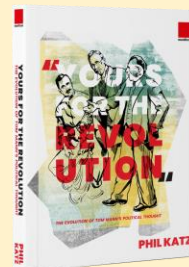
Trade Union



Place connected to the person



History to read connected to the person



Send all entries to rhys.davies@cncs.school



HISTORY STARS



Mrs Good

Year 7 – Ruby Sullivan
Year 8 – Alice Shepherd
Year 9 – Jack Tutchener
Year 10 – Findlay Thompson
Year 11 – Ava Walsh
Year 12 – James Dooley
Year 13 – Liberty Smith



Mr Davies

Year 7 – Isla Coleman
Year 8 – Luke Kalyan
Year 9 – Bella Oladele
Year 10 – Nevaeh Hand-Wills
Year 11 – Libbi Grantham



Mr Canning

Y7: Lexie North
Y8: Niamh Hogan
Y9: Callum McCreath
Y10: Nella Zima
Y11: Daniel Vernon
Y12: Zach McDermott
Y13: Evan Debling



Mrs Norman

Year 7 – Owen Bell
Year 8 – Connor Grantham
Year 9 – Yvonne Donzo



GEOGRAPHY DEPT

Geography Geniuses

★ Of The Fortnight! ★



LMR	LEN	JAT	TRD
Y7 – Declan R	Y7 – Kai G	Y7 – Elsie S	Y7 – Rio P
Y8 – Orla C	Y8 – Doru P	Y8 – Ashley E	Y8 – Erin B
Y9 – Alice K	Y9 – Divina K	Y9 – Terasa M	Y9 – Luke D
Y10 – Charlie G	Y10 – Senan K	Y10 – Peter W	Y10 – Piranavan R
Y11 – Tanvin G	Y11 – Zakariya N	Y11 – Maya S	N/A



Special Nomination:
Taylor Dickinson – Going above and beyond with his GCSE Geography homework!

TOP EDUCAKE SCORES – HOME LEARNING

YEAR 7 - Alex Newman – 92% Average

YEAR 8 - Aureila Wegrzyn – 98% Average

YEAR 9 – Korneila Szymanska – 98% Average

YEAR 10 – Taylor Dickinson – 96% Average

YEAR 11 – Tamara Maksimovic – 97% Average

Geography - Take Your Learning Further

Y7 – Begin to research difference 21st century UK floods looking at their causes and consequences!

Y8 – Begin to research 'Energy Wars' and conflict over fossil fuels in the Middle East.

Y9 – Begin to research different hazards e.g. Hurricane Katrina, Typhoon Haiyan, the Haiti 2010 & Japan 2011 earthquakes.

Y10 - Begin to research the costs and benefits of urban growth and development in London!

Y11 - Practicing and completing 8 markers from Paper 2 – Focus on Edexcel B Q4 & Q7 for Unforeseen Investigations.

Any completed pieces, please bring to Mr Miller in WA12. Aspire points and potentially prizes can be acquired depending on the efforts placed into your task!



PHYSICAL EDUCATION DEPT

Extra-Curricular Activities

Team Minshull



Day	Activity
	Lunch time 1.30-2.05 pm After school 3.10- 4.30pm
Monday	Staff Meeting night Fitness suite 3.10pm – 4.30pm
	Trampolining (Lunch Gym) Badminton (Lunch Sportshall) Fitness Suite (After school – 4.30pm) Girls Football (After school – 4.30pm)
Wednesday	Basketball club – (Lunchtime Sportshall) Boys Football (After school – 4.30pm) Netball (After school – 4.30pm)
	Hockey (After school – 4.30pm) Boys Rugby (After school – 4.30pm)
Friday	KS4 Weight training (Lunch F/Suite) GCSE AND BTEC SPORT CATCH UP CLASS (After school)

PHYSICAL EDUCATION DEPT

Extra-Curricular Activities

Team Minshull

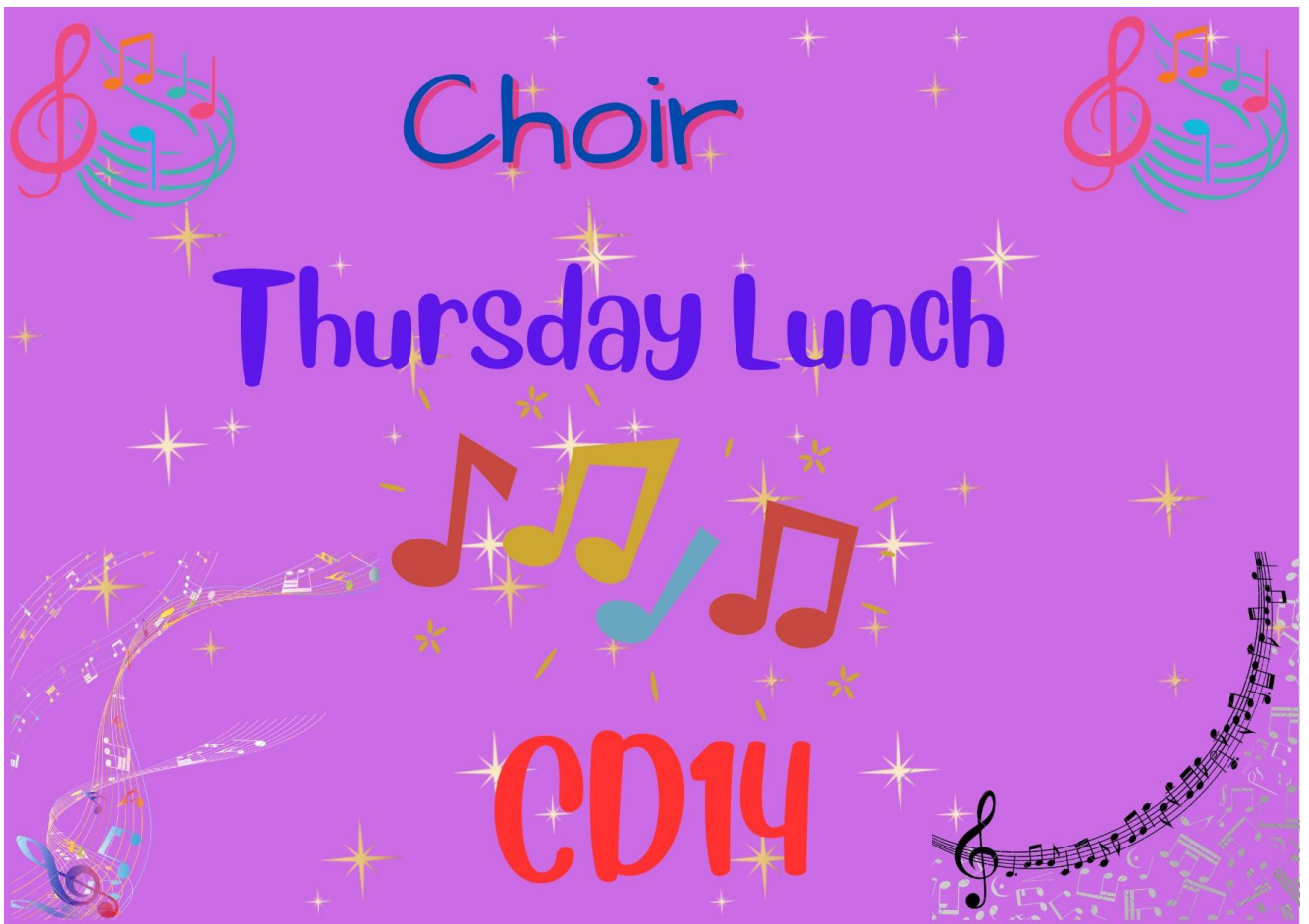
Upper school have been learning cheerleading this term. We have had some fantastic routines produced and some great lifts as seen in these pictures!



Coventry Dynamite are coming in in the New Year to run a club!



Music



Congratulations



David Sarauz Chavez

Passing grade 6 piano




SEND Information

Parent Information

How do I meet with the CNCS SEND TEAM?

1. The SEND Team are always available at parents' evenings – make appointments or drop in between appointments
2. Watch out for news on forthcoming SEND coffee morning and twilight sessions. These are available for each year group, last term we welcomed year 8 parents who had an opportunity to review plans and discuss concerns.
3. Contact by phone call or email to make an appointment to discuss any concerns. Appointment can be made via TEAMS, phone and face to face.


Rotate counterclockwise



Period: 2023 to 2024
Parent Information Sessions for
Warwickshire parents and carers

Courses available online – via Zoom
Understanding and Supporting Children aged 3-11 Years with Anxiety Thursday 19 October, 11.00am to 1.00pm
Understanding and Supporting Children and Young People with Emotionally Based School Avoidance Tuesday 17 October, 2.30pm to 4.30pm
Understanding and Supporting Children Aged 12+ Years Anxiety Thursday 26 October, 10.00am to 12.00pm
Understanding Emotion Regulation in School Aged Children Friday 10 November, 12.00pm to 2.00pm
Understanding Self-esteem in Children and Young People Monday 20 November, 12.30pm to 2.30pm
Understanding and Supporting School Aged Children Who Self-harm Tuesday 5 December, 10.00am to 12.00pm
Understanding Sensory Needs in School Aged Children Tuesday 19 December, 12.30pm to 2.30pm
Understanding Low Mood in Children and Young People Wednesday 29 January, 12.30pm to 2.30pm

Places on our workshops are subject to availability. To book your place please email risecommunityoffer@covwarkpt.nhs.uk



V2

Free online courses for all parents, carers, grandparents and teens
Nurturing emotional health and wellbeing from bump to 19+ years

Coventry City Council has partnered with the Solihull Approach to offer free access to expertly designed online courses for parents, carers, grandparents and teens living in the region.

Sign up to understand your child's feelings, as well as your own, as you go through life as a family. Learn to understand the changes in your child's development and how to support them, whilst also strengthening your relationship.

Because we are committed to supporting our children to thrive and we all need a bit of headspace and thinking time occasionally.

The Solihull Approach series

- [Antenatal](#) - View courses
- [Postnatal](#) - View courses
- [Children and Young People](#) - View courses
- [For Teenagers](#) - View courses
- [For Adults](#) - View courses
- [Community Languages](#) - Professionally translated courses
- [Auto-translation option](#)

5. Understanding your baby (for teenagers only)
6. Understanding your feelings (for teenagers only)

<https://www.coventry.gov.uk/localoffer>

Coventry's Special Educational Needs and Disability (SEND) Local Offer

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<https://inourplace.co.uk/coventry/>

LIBRARY



Matt Windle also known as the Poet with Punch visited the library on Tuesday 14th November 2023. He hosted workshops for some of our lucky Year 7s. His unique style of mixing poetry and boxing is fantastic to see and the Year 7s experienced a fantastic time!



The first issue of the half termly Library Newsletter was published this term. This is distributed to students as well as copies in the library and on the website.

Contributions to the newsletter include students and staff. It is full of information on new book additions, events, trivia, recommendations and much more!



The Library's fabulous new Student Librarians, Shihon, Yuvraj, Cole, Ketan, Matthan, Laviru, Ameera, Aliyah, Libby and Angel join our long running librarians Krzysztof, Lidia, Lucie and Kateryna and have started experiencing all the different types of tasks that the role requires.

They have all applied for the position, taken part in an interview and training course and are now volunteering some of their time in the library.

Welcome to the library team!

Christmas came to the library and students were able to enjoy festive activities during the entire week. Each day there was a different activity including Christmas templates to decorate with a prayer/message to put on the library Christmas tree and Where's Santa?. A lot of fun was had by all!



BOOK LOANS

There will be an extended loan period due to the Christmas holidays. All books will be due back on Monday 8th January 2024.

RECOMMENDED READING – Spring 2.1

- Year 7 – *Dragon Mountain*– Katie & Kevin Tsang
- Year 8 – *Fight Back*– A M Dassu
- Year 9 – *Game Over: Rise of the Riad Mob*– M J Sullivan
- Year 10 – *A Poem for Every Winter Day* – Ed. Allie Esiri
- Year 11 – *Macbeth (Graphic Novel)*– William Shakespeare
- Post 16 – *The Great Philosophers*– S Law



A VERY MERRY CHRISTMAS and Happy New Year!

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Provider Fair – 16th November 2023

We welcomed some fantastic providers to our Provider Fair last week! We filled the sports Hall with Colleges; Apprenticeship Training providers and academies. A provider is an organization that is a vocational pathway after Year 11 and an alternative to Sixth Form.

Among our visitors we had Coventry & Warwickshire Chamber Training; MGTS; Coventry College; Warwickshire College; The Army: RAF and many more!



If you attended this event and are considering a pathway with them its important to apply ASAP. They have applications from all over Coventry & Warwickshire; if you want that place – apply now!



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Who's who???

Do you know who the Schools Careers Adviser is?

Miss Brennan – her office is CA07 .

The Careers Lead is Mrs Scanlon and she is also the Assistant HeadTeacher.

We coach for your success! We are here for YOU! If you have a question regarding Careers you can see Miss Brennan before or after school or during break. She also runs 'Drop-in' sessions outlined below:

A colorful poster for careers drop-in sessions. The top section is orange with the word "CAREERS" in large, bold, grey letters. Below this, the text "Drop in sessions with Ms Brennan!" is written in yellow and white. Underneath, it says "Come and see me if you have any questions!". The bottom section is teal and features the word "JOBS" in large, yellow, 3D letters. To the right of "JOBS", it lists the session details: "Year 7,8,9 Tuesday Lunchtime in MA13" and "Year 10 & 11 Thursday Lunchtime in LM13". The poster also includes various icons related to careers, such as a globe, a checklist, a target, a mountain, a lightbulb, and a person holding a briefcase.

CAREERS

Drop in sessions with Ms Brennan!

Come and see me if you have any questions!

Year 7,8,9
Tuesday Lunchtime
in MA13

Year 10 & 11
Thursday
Lunchtime in LM13

JOBS

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What is the definition of the term **Careers**?

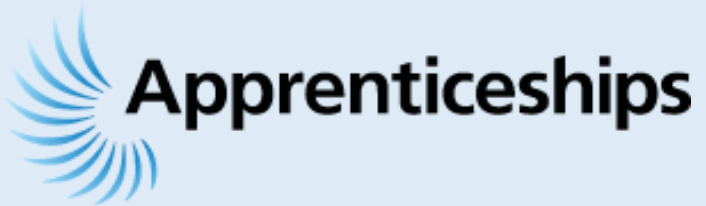
Careers is about understanding yourself and figuring out what you are good at.

Knowing what opportunities are out there for you.

You having or building on the skills to progress.

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Business Speakers – Coventry University

On Wednesday 15th November, Year 13 were given the opportunity to listen to Dr Lein Luu who is an Author and also Associate Professor/Curriculum Lead at Coventry Business School which is part of Coventry University. We also had the pleasure of meeting with her colleague Dr Uchenna Tony-Okeke.

They delivered a full lesson to our Year 13. Not only was it informative subject-wise, the delivery also gave them an insight to how a lecture may be delivered at University.

The session was very insightful, and the students were very engaged.

We aim to inspire our students to move forward into their chosen Post 18 pathways; holding sessions like this is not only thought provoking, but motivational too.



Have you looked at the subjects library on Unifrog? Gives you insight to a 'day in the life' studying a particular degree path. Take a look!!



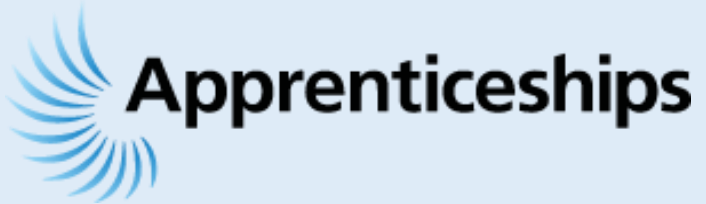
Miss Brennan is in **CA07** for any careers related queries. Do drop by!



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Unifrog

Unifrog is the Schools Careers Platform. There is so much to explore within, eg: Careers Pathways; University destinations; how to write a CV; search for Apprenticeships. Everything you need to know!

How do you access? You use your school email and a password you chose when it was launched to you in tutor time.

Year 7 are the last year group to get signed up – have you done the personality quiz yet?

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What Career?

Are you struggling to think what you want to do in the future? For some of you it may be a long way off – for others its next year! Do the personality quiz on Unifrog to give you some ideas. Ask family members or close friends what they see you doing as they will know what you seem naturally good at. The more you start thinking and looking for ideas, the more will come to you. Every day you see people working in their jobs - be it the bus driver; the shopkeeper; nurses, teachers.....keep your eyes peeled!.

Miss Brennan is in **CA07** for any careers related queries. Do drop by!

WELFARE & SUPPORT

Are you in need of support?

<https://www.coventry.gov.uk/benefits-1/free-school-meals>

If you think that your child might be entitled to receive a free school meal, but you are not currently in receipt of one, please contact us on welfare@cncs.school and we will see what we can do to support you during this challenging period.

Equally, if you are struggling financially and need help with uniform or resources, please contact us on the same email, welfare@cncs.school.

Unwanted School Uniform – Donations Needed

We are always grateful for any donations of old school uniform. There are three big recycle bins by the main reception where you can drop off any unwanted school uniform which can then be recycled. These three bins all have brightly coloured lids.

Mrs Tabram manages our school uniform and will arrange for any uniform donations to be cleaned and reused. She will then distribute these items as and when required amongst the school community.

Coventry Holiday Activities and Food Programme

Website: <https://www.coventry.gov.uk/holiday-activities-food>

<https://www.coventry.gov.uk/holiday-activities-food/coventry-holiday-activities-food-programme/4>

Email: HAFprogramme@coventry.gov.uk

[Coventry HAF on Facebook](#)

Free Sanitary Products

Please be aware that free sanitary products for female students are available in school. They can be obtained by speaking to a member of the female staff with the PE Department, First Aid, TLC, Student Reception or Student Support.

Links to Council Benefits General Phone enquiries 08085 834333

<https://www.gov.uk/browse/benefits>

<https://www.coventry.gov.uk/benefits>

https://www.coventry.gov.uk/info/54/benefits/314/coventry_benefits_advice

Citizens Advice Line 0800 144 8848

<https://www.coventrycitizensadvice.org.uk/>



Spotlight on Safeguarding

Working Together to Keep Our Young People Safe



Setting Boundaries for New Devices

Many parents and carers will be considering getting their children new devices this month. Whether it's an upgraded mobile phone or a new console, putting boundaries in place from the beginning is important. Asking yourself how your child uses technology now, and how you would like them to use the new device, is a really great place to start.

In this month's issue:

- Digital boundaries
- The Online World
- This month's App focus: Discord

Establishing New Tech Boundaries for Children

Before you give your child a new piece of technology or device, there are five boundaries that can be very useful to set up:

1. Establish clear expectations beforehand: It's important to help your child understand that the boundaries you are putting in place are for their own benefit. You care about the time they spend on their devices and the content they access.
2. Set parental controls before handing over the device: Research the device you have so you are aware of the safety features. Have these in place before your child gets the new device.
3. Agree on a level of monitoring: Your child should agree to you monitoring their device regularly, having access to their passwords and controlling which apps they download.
4. Schedule screen-free time and limit usage: This could include setting aside time before bedtime, during family meals and during specific family activities.
5. Model healthy device behaviours: This could include setting aside your own screen-free time and putting your phone down when interacting with your child.

3 WAYS DEVICE USAGE CAN NEGATIVELY IMPACT CHILDREN

EFFECTS ON BEHAVIOUR



Just like any addiction, the use of devices can easily become a habit for children. This may lead them to neglect spending time with friends and family, and might cause them to become upset if they are asked to put away their devices to participate in other activities.



EFFECTS ON SLEEP

Electronic devices emit blue light that can deceive the brain into believing it's daytime. As a result, using these devices before bed or during the late hours of the night can significantly impact sleep quality, which can have a negative impact on a child's behaviour, both at home and at school.

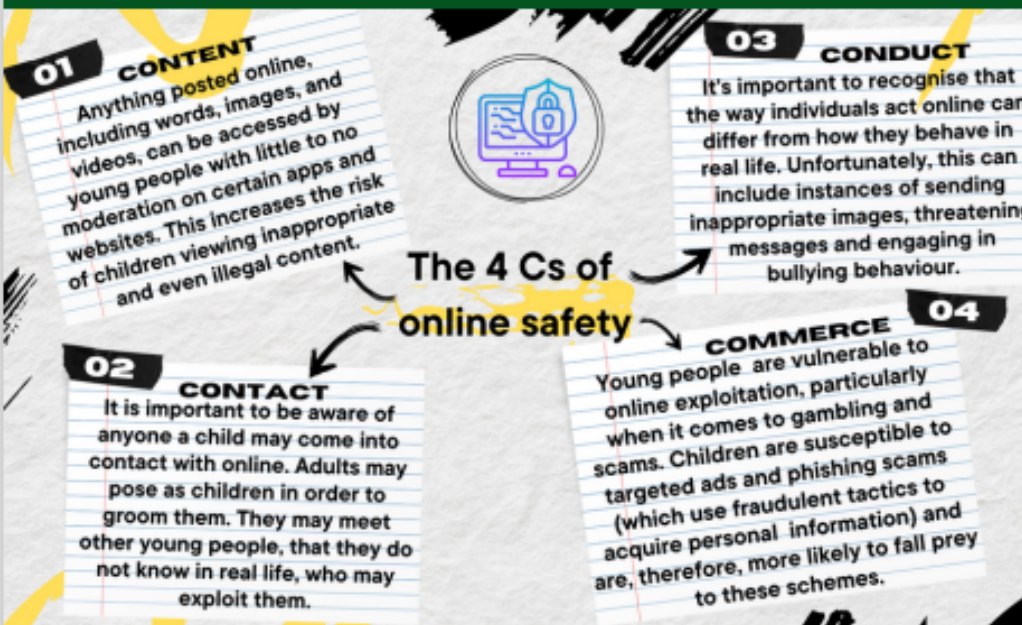


EFFECTS ON THE BRAIN

Spending too much time looking at screens can negatively impact a child's ability to engage with traditional learning experiences. This may lead to difficulties focusing on non-electronic activities, such as those found in school. Additionally, children may avoid activities that promote the use of their imagination and social skills.



Spotlight on Safeguarding



The Online World
As parents, it's natural to want to know where our children are and what they're doing when they're not with us. However, it's equally important to be aware of their online activities, including the content they're viewing and who they're communicating with.

How to Discuss Your Child's Online Activities with Them

Talking to your child about their internet use is crucial in understanding what they view online. But broaching the subject can be challenging, especially if it's out of the blue. To ease into the conversation, use a current event or media story as an example. These discussions should be ongoing rather than a one-time "big talk." Start with shorter, more frequent chats while doing an activity together, such as driving or shopping. Sharing your own online experiences can also help establish trust and open communication.

Exploring Discord

Discord is a popular app that offers voice, video and text chat options. It operates via servers, which are chat groups centred around a mutual interest, such as video games, books or TV shows. These servers are organised into text and voice channels, and users can also create private group with up to nine other users.

However, with the perks of this app comes risks. Due to the private nature of Discord's groups, there is a high potential for sharing inappropriate content. Additionally, as the interactions on Discord are in real-time, there is no moderation in place. This can make children vulnerable to online predators, as strangers can easily contact them through the app.

Discord

**Age restrictions:
13 years old**



Keeping Your Child Safe on Discord: Tips and Tricks

Discord has limited safety features, with the exception of a blocking feature. It is possible to disable direct messaging for servers; however, the user must do this for each new server they join. To ensure your child's safety, encourage them to use their real age when signing up and agree that they will consult with you before joining a new server. This will enable you to verify that the content is appropriate for your child.

Safeguarding

Mental Health: Young Minds



Kooth: contact@kooth.com

– online support service

NSPCC: 08001111 - childline

Shout: 24/7 text: 85258 (for crisis and emergencies)

The police: 999

KEEPING SAFE OVER CHRISTMAS



Christmas is not always the happiest time for everyone and if you are struggling with:

Mental Health

Financial struggles

Crisis/Emergencies

Over the festive period, there is help available



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<https://www.cncs.school/page/?title=Safeguarding&pid=54>



The school website is very helpful for any links:
Go to main website – www.cncs.school
Click on menu
Then - STUDENT
Then - SAFEGUARDING



SIGN POSTING BOOKLET

If you need advice or support regarding any Mental Health worries or other concerns, please click on our Sign Posting Booklet.

- Sign Posting Booklet

USEFUL LINKS

- NSPCC - <https://www.nspcc.org.uk/keeping-children-safe/>
- Health for Teens - <https://www.healthforteens.co.uk/?location=Coventry>
- Horizon - <https://www.coventry.gov.uk/horizonteam>
- Positive Youth - <https://positiveyouthfoundation.org/>
- Parent Info - <https://parentinfo.org/>
- West Midlands Police - <https://www.west-midlands.police.uk/>



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Safeguarding

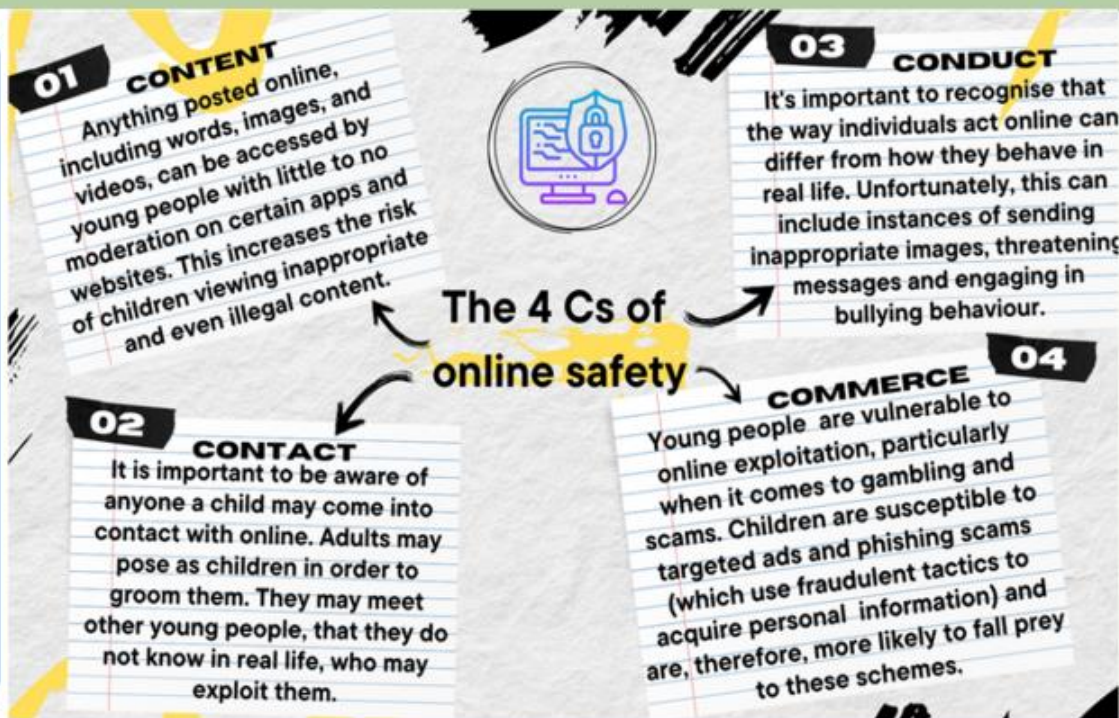
You may be getting a new device over Christmas

Keep yourself safe when you are online:

CONTENT
CONTACT
CONDUCT
COMMERSE

Children can be targeted by criminals

#besafe



Socialising over Christmas

When we get together with friends, we sometimes make bad choices.

We have had notification from the police, regarding young people collapsing due to the use illegal vapes

West Midlands Police Warning – DECEMBER 2023:

Recently, several children have fainted/collapsed after using illegally bought vapes.

In one case the vape was sent off for testing by Public Health and found to contain Methyl 3, 3-dimethyl-2-1(1-(pent-4-en-1-yl)-1H-indazole-3-carboxamido) butanoate (MDMB-4en-PINACA).

The results show the vape does not contain THC but contained a synthetic cannabinoid, which are used as Spice and Mamba.

The vape that was tested was refillable and the liquid tested was bright yellow.

This has been reported in national newspapers and is happening Country wide.

PC Matt Meade

Young Persons Officer Education Coordinator



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**Wishing all our families a Happy
Christmas and New Year!**