



25th September 2025

Dear Parent/Carer

We hope you are well at this time.

We are writing to remind you of our recognition programme at Cardinal Newman School. Our rewards system places a strong emphasis on academic achievement, recognising the effort, perseverance, and progress that lead to excellence in learning. By celebrating success in the classroom, whether through outstanding results, steady improvement, or commitment to study, we affirm that hard work and dedication are vital parts of personal growth so that students can flourish both in school and beyond.

Recognising students' commitment to their studies, we reward good behaviour and positive learning attitudes in every lesson. Students can earn ASPIRE points, through Class Charts, for academic achievement, progress, behaviour, attendance, and wider contributions to school life. Students also have opportunities to achieve postcards, letters home and positive phone calls each week.

In addition, students also have the opportunity to use the Reward Pod to exchange their ASPIRE points for prizes. These might include items such as stationery or sporting equipment, increasing to larger prizes like a cinema afternoon or skip the queue passes in the canteen. Some students choose to donate their ASPIRE points to charity.

Look out for more special celebrations, including personal phone calls home, certificates of achievement, and praise cards. These will be given to pupils who demonstrate exceptional dedication and progress. Two upcoming recognition events are:

- Movie for all those with 100% Attendance from 8th Sept until 23rd October (half term 1)
- Strive for 95 – students with 95% attendance from 8th Sept to 19th Dec, will be invited to Newman's Disco which will include a DJ, VIP area, snacks and games

We look forward to celebrating your child's successes together and appreciate your continued support in encouraging their growth.

Yours faithfully,

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