



# CARDINAL NEWMAN CATHOLIC SCHOOL

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Dear Parents and Carers

We hope you are well at this time and looking forward to the extended bank holiday next week.

Whilst we come to the end of the shortest half term it has been one of the busiest. Year 10, 11 and 13 are now half way through their exams. We hope they get some rest over the half term. We have been very proud of their mature approach to their exams.

As part of our post pandemic 'Recovery and Joy' agenda we have engaged with a number of providers this half term including;

- LoudMouth Theatre Company who visited Year 9 presenting a play that raised awareness on bullying. Students then participated in a workshop.
- Year 7 enjoyed a spectacular production of Private Peaceful at The Belgrade Theatre.
- Year 8 were involved in an engineering workshop with a guest speaker where they spent the afternoon dissecting hearts with the STEM club.
- Students from Year 10 and 12 had the privilege of being part of the BBC Radio 1 Big Weekend Connects Webinar. We are one of only 3 schools in Coventry to be part of this event! Students interviewed Radio 1 DJ Danni Diston, TikTok Creator Sahel Madziya, Creative Designer James Mobbs and Fashion/Beauty Creator Shantania Beckford who all grew up in Coventry.
- We have also had the Coventry and Warwickshire Chamber of Commerce Training come into school to work with our Year 12 students on interview skills to help prepare for future plans. Photograph's and more can be found on our Facebook page.

## Summer Uniform

When we return after half term, students are not required to wear jumpers. Blazers and ties are still expected. A reminder that students' hair should not be dyed a 'non-natural' colour and piercings are not allowed. Students who do not follow the uniform policy will lose social time. If you require any support with uniform please contact [welfare@cncs.school](mailto:welfare@cncs.school)

We have had a big drive on reading this year in response to the pandemic. Students will be retested in June and we will share their updated reading ages.

We have a busy half term ahead, here are some key dates:

- 10<sup>th</sup> June 2022 – Year 7 Peace Picnic
- 24<sup>th</sup> June 2022 – Inset Day
- 1<sup>st</sup> July 2022 – Jubilee Celebration Day. This will be a non-uniform day and students are encouraged to dress in red, white and blue or clothes that represent their culture
- 13<sup>th</sup> July 2022 – Thanksgiving Mass
- 21<sup>st</sup> July 2022 – Last day of term



- 18<sup>th</sup> August and 25<sup>th</sup> August student will be collecting their GCSE results from school

The leadership team are delighted to be joined by two new Assistant Headteachers, Michael Baker and Jack Kemp who will be joining us after half term.

We say goodbye this half term to Mrs Sanders from student support, who will be sadly missed and we would like to thank her for her service to the school.

Yours Faithfully

A handwritten signature in cursive script, reading 'E O'Connor'.

**Emma O'Connor**  
**Headteacher**