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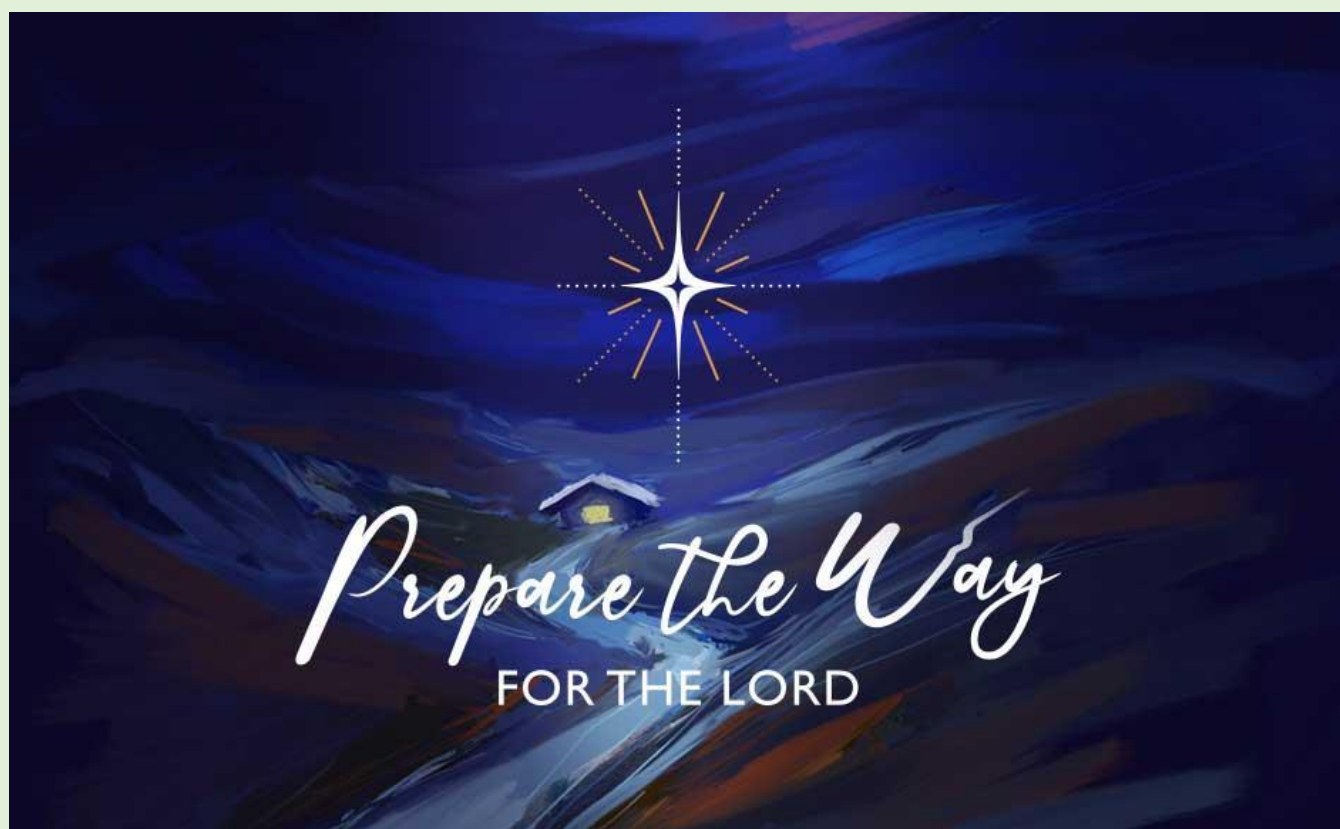


# Cardinal Newman Catholic School



Holy Cross Catholic Multi Academy Company

## NEWSLETTER



May your home and heart be filled  
with hope, joy, peace and love  
forever.

# HEADTEACHER'S MESSAGE

Dear Parents/Carers

As we come to the end the Autumn term, we count our blessings and remind ourselves of the journey over the last year.

It is hard to consider that this time last year, we were writing to parents to advise of the January staggered return to school as we organised and managed the mass testing of all students for Corona virus. It is a blessing that we do not face this challenge at this time.

However we are aware that many of our families are facing new challenges with the rise in living costs. So we are especially grateful for the continued support families give to our chosen charities and your kind donations to the food bank.

We remind our families that if they find themselves in need, they can contact our welfare email [welfare@cncs.school](mailto:welfare@cncs.school) and we will do all we can to help.

This week we say goodbye to two wonderful members of staff who have supported our students and school, we will miss them and wish them both all the best in their new schools. Both Mrs Robbins and Mrs Stowe will be working in schools nearer to their homes.

Thank you for your service.



Hannah Stowe

1<sup>st</sup> July 2015 – 16<sup>th</sup> December 2022



Hazel Robbins

1<sup>st</sup> July 2006 – 16<sup>th</sup> December 2022

Wishing all our families a happy Christmas and peaceful new year.

# Speed Awareness Cameras Tamworth Road



We are delighted for the community and The Boshell Family who have won their battle to have average speed cameras installed on the Tamworth Road. The unveiling of the plan was attended by the Boshell's along with Niall and Riley who were with Isabelle on the evening of her tragic accident.

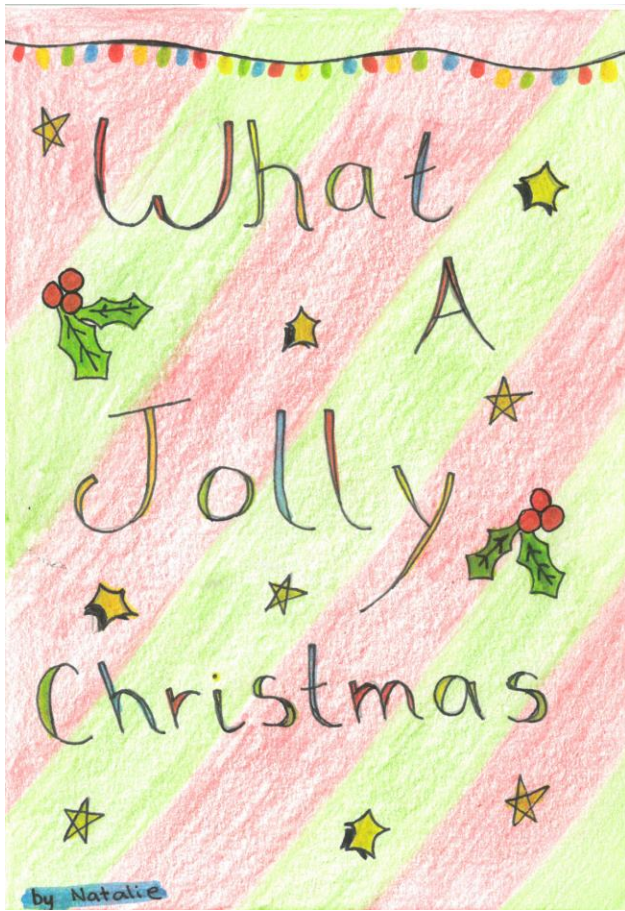
Equipment has been installed on lamp columns along Tamworth Road which will be able to measure the average speed of motorists. The speed cameras will register the average speed of drivers along different points along stretches of the road. This is part of the next Average Speed Enforcement programme on the main city routes where cameras have been installed by the Council and are supported by West Midlands Police. The scheme is being backed by the West Midland Police and Crime Commissioner, Simon Foster who visited the location to check out the cameras before they go live. Clear signs make drivers aware that they are entering an average speed control zone.

Over a three-year period, 13 personal injury collisions including one fatality and two serious were recorded on Tamworth Road. The cameras on Tamworth Road cover the stretch from its junction with Radford Road to the city boundary.

# Governors' Annual Year 11 Reward Trip



# Christmas Card Design Winners



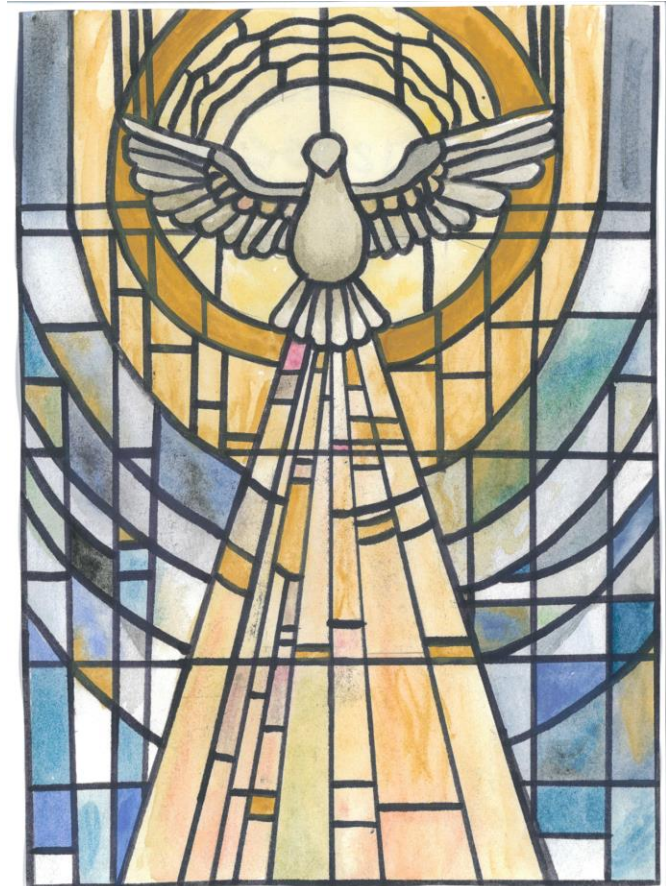
Natalie Gorecka 7KJB



Congratulations to Cardinal Newman's Christmas card design winners for 2022!



Julia Czaicka 12SGL



# CATHOLIC LIFE

The lead up to Christmas has been very busy for the Chaplaincy Team and we have really enjoyed preparing the school and ourselves for Christmas Day! All year groups had an Advent Assembly with Miss Keane, collected for our charity projects, had a non-uniform day and we have also celebrated our end of term masses! We would like to wish everyone a very happy and holy Christmas.



## National Youth Sunday

Fr. Pat at Holy Family invited staff and students from our school to lead the 10am mass on National Youth Sunday. What a wonderful way to celebrate young people in the church. Thank you to our readers and choir for a fabulous celebration

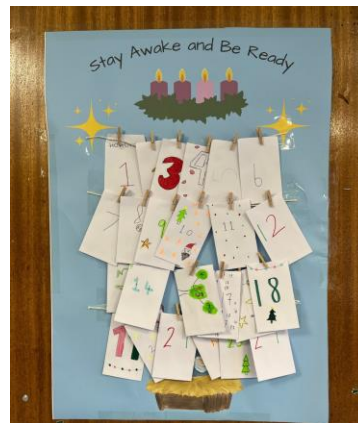
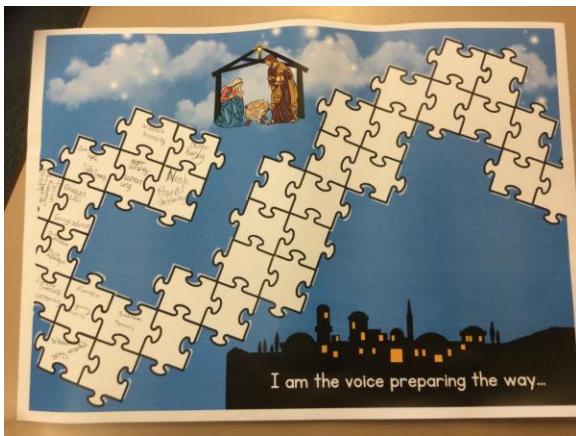
## Chaplaincy Meeting

Some of the Chaplaincy reps from each Year Group joined Miss Keane at a Chaplaincy Meeting at Bishop Ullathorne where all seven schools in the MAC were able to meet together and plan the Advent Service.



# Advent and Christmas Masses

During Advent, our tutor room prayer spaces have been updated to reflect the season we are in. Students are reflecting on the Gospel messages each week through prayer and reflection followed by an activity. We have been using the Diocesan Advent reflections 'Mustard Seeds' which have allowed us to understand a deeper meaning of the Gospel. Students have created some wonderful displayS.



Our annual Christmas Masses were once again held at Holy Family Church. We are always so grateful to Fr. Pat for welcoming us and it is a great testimony of faith to see 1400 students walking with staff to mass.

We were delighted that both Fr. Pat and Fr. Tom were able to celebrate masses with us and our students were excellent ambassadors for our school.

A huge thank you to the readers and the choir. The choir was led by Vikki Hamilton from the Kenelm Youth Trust.

As always, we were a bit cheeky with our gift to Fr. Pat as we presented him with a Villa Christmas Jumper from two avid CCFC supporters!



# Personal Development

It has been a busy term so far for students in their personal development. We launched our Passport to Greatness, which is an opportunity for students to complete leadership and enrichment opportunities and be rewarded for their achievements. Not only that but it helps to develop their leadership skills, allows them to try new things and builds teamwork and resilience.



## Passport to Greatness 2022 - 2023



Has your child completed an activity outside of school, such as volunteering, charity or sporting success. We would love to hear about it. Fill in this form to provide us with the information: <https://forms.office.com/e/Nz0u9ywvVd>

**YOU ARE ALL  
MADE FOR  
GREATNESS**



# Personal Development



Our highest achievers for our Passport to Greatness award this term are:

**Adeife Ade-Solanke**

**Gerard Gallagher**

**Alex Burns**

**Haydn Jones**

**Viki Andrade**

**James Keenan**



# Personal Development

## Cultural Diversity Group

This term we launched our Cultural Diversity group, which involved a joint meeting with students and staff from Bishop Ullathorne School.

Students discussed topics such as language that was used in school, hair coverings, Black History month and other activities they would like.

Students in Year 9 and 11 presented to the students in assembly about Black African culture.

Students also found out that we have 52 different languages that are spoken in our school, and we celebrated how proud we are to be culturally diverse.

Students are looking forward to meeting again in the final week of term and putting together some plans for next term.

We also look forward to attending our next joint conference with Bishop Ullathorne in February.

17 students form the Cultural Diversity group, and we are proud to celebrate and represent many different nationalities and ethnic groups.



On Friday 2nd December, we hosted the first student council meeting of this academic year! It was a HUGE success and lots of actions will be taken to help improve your school experience.

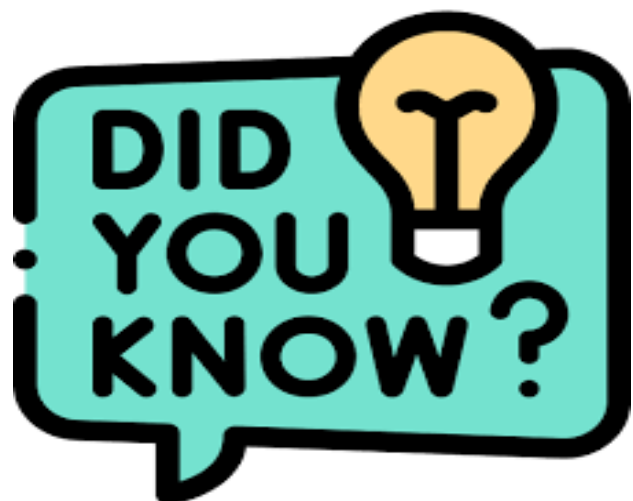
**We discussed:**

- Facilities in school
- Issues with the canteen
- Diversity in school

In the next two weeks, your student council representatives will be feeding back on what was said in the meeting and actions to follow up! A huge well done to students who represented their year groups – you did an AMAZING job.



# Community



**We are an RHS  
Five  
Star Gardening  
School?**

**We also feature on  
the RHS campaign  
for school  
gardening  
website, for our  
work in the  
Coventry Peace  
Orchard....**



## **Bringing peace and freedom to D-Day Veterans and young generations**

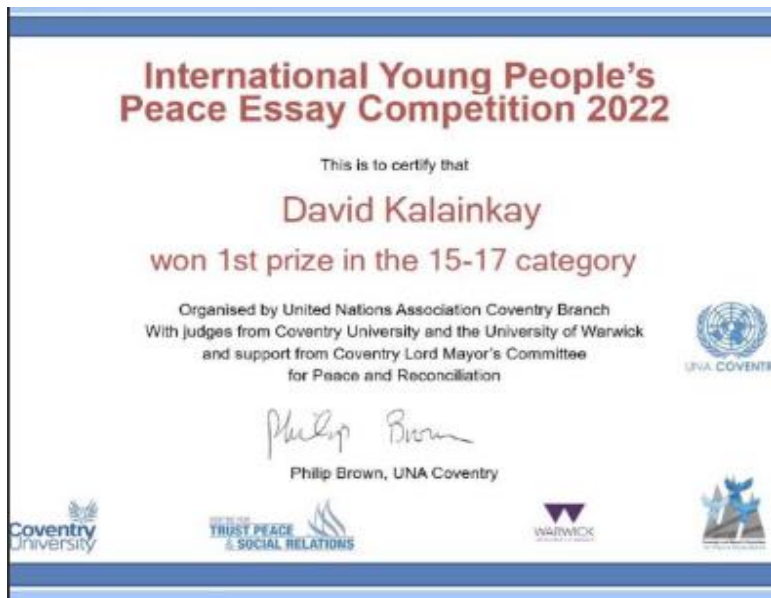
Read the heart-warming story of the Coventry Peace Orchard, set up by Cardinal Newman Catholic School and late World War II Veteran

Read the full story

here: <https://schoolgardening.rhs.org.uk/Coventry-Peace-Orchard>

# Community

Congratulations to David Kalainkay, Sasha Nyamakanga and Olivia Brook for winning first, second and third prize in the International Young People's Essay Competition! We are extremely proud of you all!  
*#madeforgreatness*



# Community

## Memory Lane Café

Students have been working hard at our Thursday morning memory lane café. Students provide tea/coffee/cake for the visitors, which takes place at St Thomas' Church every fortnight on a Thursday. Students also created activities, crafts and quizzes for the visitors to take part in.



# Community



Pupils had a great time with 'Creative Kindness' making bird feeders that were put into our Peace Garden and school grounds. Students have also been working hard to improve our school pond and tidy up the Peace Orchard.

# Community



Pupils helped tidy up the Peace Orchard and planting across the school site! Thank you to Morrisons community in Holbrooks for donating plants for them to use.



# Community

**Cultural  
Diversity  
group?**



**Community  
group?**

**Charity?**



Would you like to get involved in any activities with the school and support us, then please email [sarah.scanlon@cncs.school](mailto:sarah.scanlon@cncs.school). We would love to have you on board.



# WELFARE AND 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](mailto: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 resources, please contact us on the same email, [welfare@cncs.school](mailto:welfare@cncs.school).

## Coventry Childrens Boot Fund

Parents or guardians of children attending school in Coventry, who find themselves in need of help, may **apply to school** for an application form for assistance from the Children's Boot Fund. Forms can be collected from school reception but need to be returned to school by **Friday 18th November** in order that we can ratify your request and send to the Charity.

## 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 Coventry Holidays Activities and Food Programme

<https://www.coventry.gov.uk/holiday-activities-food/coventry-holiday-activities-food-programme/1>

## 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](https://www.coventry.gov.uk/info/54/benefits/314/coventry_benefits_advice)

## Coventry Citizens Advice General Admin 02476 223284

Citizens Advice services are currently available over the phone on 0800 144 8848 or online via

[www.advicebuddy.org](http://www.advicebuddy.org)

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

# Welfare and Support- Useful sites

<https://www.stwater.co.uk/my-account/help-when-you-need-it/help-with-paying-your-bill/big-difference-scheme/>

This is for the BDS scheme with Severn Trent. Just like gas and electric water has gone up considerably too. Once applied if successful your water bill is reduced by at least 75%

[https://myaccount.coventry.gov.uk/en/service/community\\_support\\_form](https://myaccount.coventry.gov.uk/en/service/community_support_form)

The household support fund for residents in Coventry. This can be used for fuel vouchers if you are on a pre-payment meter, food bank vouchers, help with winter clothing, blankets and bedding (shop vouchers are given for this for each member of the household so the items are new) and help towards any new appliances that are broke and need replacing (only broken items will be replaced)

## **Are you worried about buying Christmas presents this year?**

**GOOD NEWS - The Giving Tree project is running** this year and might be able to help! We can provide presents for any Coventry children aged 16 and under living at your address, if you are receipt of housing and child benefit (or those elements of Universal Credit).

In order to qualify please contact Sarah White on [givingtree@covcitymission.org.uk](mailto:givingtree@covcitymission.org.uk), or Whatsapp or text 07927 090451. We will ask for evidence of your eligibility. There will also be limited opportunities to register 'in-person' please get in touch for details. Please share this with others in need too. We will help as many people as we are able to.

Any questions please contact Sarah White on 02475 187399 or [givingtree@covcitymission.org.uk](mailto:givingtree@covcitymission.org.uk)

<https://www.gov.uk/the-warm-home-discount-scheme>

This is the warm home discount. It is now open for this year. Residents contact their gas and electricity supplier; answer a few questions and they will receive £150 off their bill.

<https://www.turn2us.org.uk/>

Use this link and click, Get support - Grant search. This will take you to an application page, grants may be found depending on your situation.



## 'Reading aloud' by Mikolaj Grzyzwacz and Timothy Lysik (Year 10)

### What is it?

Reading aloud is a scheme consisting of helping our younger students to develop their reading skills as well as encouraging their interest in reading for pleasure. This takes place every week during tutor time on a Wednesday in Newman's library which is known for its vast range of books and friendly reading and learning environment.

### What does the role of a mentor consist of?

Being a mentor consists of organisation, training and preparation. Prior to starting the first session, all successful mentors (males/females in Years 9 and 10) took part in an extensive training session led by Mrs. Perkins in the Canon Diamond Theatre. We discussed developing relationships with mentees, supporting specific reading skills with different strategies, choosing suitable texts and we explored a range of different scenarios and how to respond.

### What is it like working with a younger pupil?

We believe that supporting our younger students is our number one principle. We endeavour to boost pleasure in reading, and it is alongside many of our crucial goals that we achieve every week. Mentors strive to become role models for the pupils involved in the programme and aim to build a firm relationship with them. This helps us support our mentees in developing their reading skills. Also, seeing a familiar face and knowing somebody older boosts the mentees' confidence in reading and around school.

### Why is reading important?

Children who develop the habit of reading at an early age are good at comprehending situations and develop a better sense of understanding than those who do not read. Studies show that reading has many critical benefits that help improve the quality of your day-to-day life. These include improving brain function and your cohesive ability – this means you can put real-life puzzles together more effectively and efficiently.

Reading reduces stress. Modern teenage life is extremely stressful, and reading can help reduce this which can lead to overall boosting your productivity and creativity within not only your school life but your life daily. An emphasis on reading helps develop higher levels of focus and concentration and research has even shown that GCSE students are more likely to do well in exams as they can access and have access to a wider range of vocabulary.

We have enjoyed our Student Leadership roles as Reading Mentors so far this term!

# Reading Aloud



## Do you have a LEXIA Power Up Literacy account?

Lexia is a fantastic online program that is designed to help with reading: word study, comprehension and grammar.

### To log in to your Lexia account:

- Go to the school website ([www.cncs.school](http://www.cncs.school))
- Click on 'Quick Links' at the top of the page and select Lexia Power Up
- Type in your username and password
- Have fun exploring the different activities and collecting reward points along the way

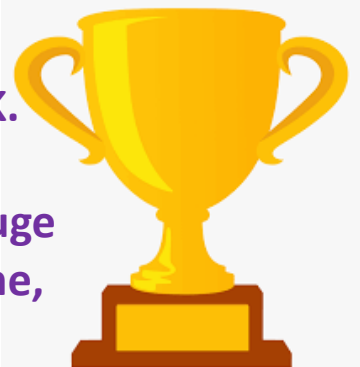
If you are unable to access the internet at home or would like extra support Lexia sessions take place after school on Monday 3.10-4pm, Tuesday 2.40-3.30pm and Thursday 3.10-4pm in LF15 with Mrs. Cotterill.

### Power Up Targets:

You should aim to complete x3 20-minute sessions each week to make accelerated progress!



**LEXIA CHAMPION:**  
Ruby McAllister in 9ABK.  
She has made excellent progress and huge improvements. Well done, Ruby!



Need support with log on information or anything Lexia? Email [sarah.cotterill@cncs.school](mailto:sarah.cotterill@cncs.school)

# LIBRARY

Mrs McLachlan

# Congratulations

Well done and congratulations goes to our Star Readers for this half term – Adeife Ade-Solanke (Y7), Theo Stokes (Y8), Joseph McGorisk (Y9), Jessica Allen (Y10) and Ryan Brown (Y11). All of these students have demonstrated extraordinary perseverance and commitment to their reading. We are incredibly proud of them!

Please pop into the library to see the latest new additions to the library. We have received new non-fiction and fiction books. If you do not find what you are looking for, please let a member of the library staff know and we can include it on the next book order.

**NEW ARRIVALS**

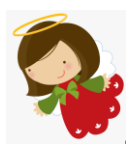


REMINDER: As the library will be shut for the Christmas period please use the link below or go to the school website to access the SORA Reading App. You will find a huge variety of books which you can download onto your devices and read.

[www.soraapp.com/welcome/login/202256](http://www.soraapp.com/welcome/login/202256)

Top borrowing tutor group  
**Year 7**

Top borrowing pupils  
**Damian Beczek and Ketan Ketan**



## Tell us what YOU think



## BOOK LOANS

Have you read anything recently that you thought was really good? If so, share it with us by letting us know and email your review to [CNCS.library@cncs.school](mailto:CNCS.library@cncs.school). We would love to hear about what you are reading and what you thought was so great about it.

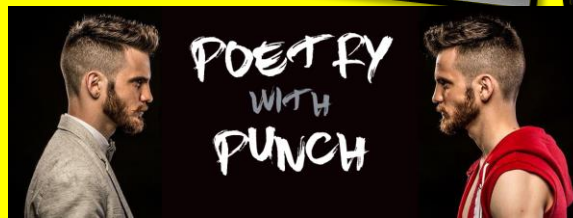
There will be an extended loan period due to the Christmas holidays. All books will be due back on Tuesday 3rd January 2023. Thank you.

Games are now available in the Library to use at break and lunchtimes - ask at the Library Reception desk for more information.



**Library Opening Hours**  
Monday – Friday:  
Breakfast Club – 8-8.30am  
Break / Lunchtimes  
Homework Club – 3.10-4pm\*  
\*Friday Closed – 3.10pm

# Library: Poet with Punch!



CNCS has been very lucky to host a visit on the 21st November from Matt 'Poet with Punch' Windle. Matt, who has visited the school on numerous occasions, came into school to spend the entire day with Year 7. First, he held an assembly with Year 7 talking about the use of words and how they can be put together to create a rhyme and then go on to create a poem. He demonstrated this by incorporating many of the students' names in his poem by using a 'free style' technique that had the students enthralled and excited as they heard their names rhymed with other words to create an on-the-spot poem.

During the rest of the day Matt spent time in the library working with Year 7s where, together, they created poems on the theme of anti-bullying. Students completed a poetry task and were then able to take the opportunity to learn some basic boxing techniques under Matt's professional tuition.

It has been a joy to see how many students engaged in the tasks and boxing tuition so positively. They have surprised themselves at how they have been able to think and create their own poems. Well done Year 7 and huge thanks to Matt - what a wonderful event at CNCS!



# CNCS: Boys Read Too



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CATHOLIC SCHOOL

## Boys Read Too

What are you reading?

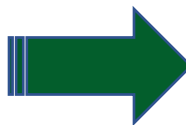
Let us know:

[CNCS.Library@cncs.school](mailto:CNCS.Library@cncs.school)



Challenge the Stereotype

...and they  
write!



Get involved! What are you reading?  
What are you writing? Let us share!

### This War of Mine

(A poem by Liam Dowse Y11)

Rippling downhill,  
Bright barrels glow,  
Upon the sick and ill,  
I send my final blow.

With great sand broken,  
My days whittle down,  
My clothes blood-soaked,  
My shoes - chocolate brown.

I raise my pistol in hand,  
The fire spreading near,  
I begin my last stand,  
Please stay well clear.

The bombs dropping closer,  
I see my lost daughter,  
Nobody seems to know her,  
But to me she's clear as water.

Her face so distant,  
Almost like a memory,  
Through unnerving persistence,  
I push with every extremity.

Thick blood blocks my view,  
My eyes fear nothing,  
Till the next time I see you,  
Love is all I will bring.

This war of mine,  
They took you from me,  
I would like to redesign,  
Home is not what it used to be,  
Not without you  
And not without me.

They tore me from my daughter,  
They will regret it,  
They will all know her,  
They will not forget it.



# ATTENDANCE

## General Attendance

As a general reminder, attendance at school is compulsory every day. Missing school has serious consequences on the ability to engage with school life and learning. Whilst we do understand that illness can result in a student missing time from their education, every 5% reduction in attendance is two weeks of absence over the entire year. Low attendance results in large gaps in understanding and a decline in achievement. Please help by ensuring that your child attends school every day and on time.



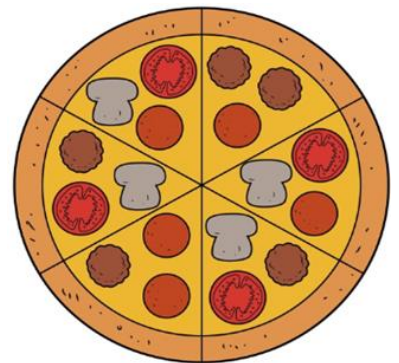
## Tutor Group Challenge

Every week, the tutor group with the highest attendance has had a 1-hour lunch on a Friday alongside some chocolate treats.



## Tutor Group Pizza Parties

Every week tutor groups receive a slice of pizza if they have the highest attendance or shown significant improvement in attendance. Once a tutor group has received 6 slices, they win a tutor group pizza party during lunch. We look forward to seeing lots of these this academic year.



# Year 7 – Mr J McIntock

**Occasiones non factum te create eos - Opportunities do not happen, you create them**

**Welcome again to our Year 7 students and families. We have had an incredibly busy term, settling in to life at Cardinal Newman School. We are incredibly proud of our Year 7's after what has been a successful transition to secondary school. As always, your head of year and fantastic tutor team are here to help and support you all and we wish you a very safe and happy Christmas!**

## Year 7 Photos



## Library Notices

**CNCS Library Notices**

**Autumn Term Recommended Reading**

- Star 7 The Night Garden Book M.S. Leonard & Sam Seelman
- Star 8 The Night Garden Book Sarah-Joyce Pearson
- Star 9 The Night Garden Book Derek Lundy
- Star 10 The Night Garden Book Patrick Vesil
- Star 11 Paper Butterflies – Lisa Heathfield
- Star 12 Hermitage – Nicola Coleman
- Star 13 The City Runner – Khalid Issaoui
- Star 14 Alchemist – Ian McEwan

**STAR READER!**

Please look out for the winners of our Star Reader competition which will be announced this week. Certificates and prizes will be awarded in assembly.

**Library Events**

Please keep an eye out for our upcoming library events and competitions.

**Top borrowing tutor group Year 7**

**Book Borrowing**

Please remember you are able to borrow 1 book for 2 weeks and Year 12 and 13 can borrow 3 books for 3 weeks. There will be an extended borrowing period due to the Christmas holidays.

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**Sora**

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## Most ASPIRE points since September

Year 7	
7CRN	5,842
7NWH	5,154
7KJB	4,600
7EWB	4,186
7SNL	3,761
7EMY	3,595
7SDS	3,292
7MHY	3,072
7HSE	2,849



## Best attendance since September

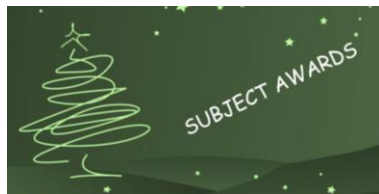
YEAR 7	
7NWH	96.5%
7KJB	95.85%
7SNL	95.76%
7EWB	95.06%
7CRN	94.68%
7EMY	94.08%
7MHY	93.2%
7SDS	92.58%
7HSE	91.04%

# Year 7 – Students

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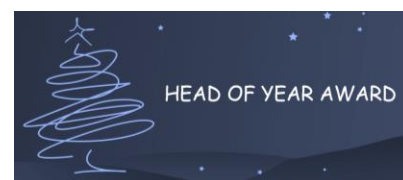


## Year 7 Rewards - Winners



Subject	Names
Art	Finnan McColgan, Gracie Watts
Drama	Patrick Ceairns, Willow Jacobs
English	Mattan Fernandes, Niamh Hogan
Maths	Erin Butler, Adeife Ade Solanke
PE	Niamh Hogan, Briton Dyer
Science	Keelan Ayers, Isabella Aluko
Geography	Esme Rochester, Israel Tekle
History	Dexter Cosby, Maita Nyamusamba
RE	Ajwa Bibi, Michal Wojcik
Comp Science	Alivya Collins, Mikey Richardson
French	Ashley Ezzati, Erin Butler
Spanish	Willow Jacobs, Alvin Brown
Music	Joe-Tom Nyama, Isabella Aluko

Tutor	Names
7CRN	Caoimhe Mc and Zak B
7EMY	Winona B and Andrew Z
7EWB	Jack K and Eva S
7HSE	Ceanna N and Max W
7KJB	Aurelia W and Joe-Tom N
7MHY	Lisha A and Noah T
7NWH	Orla C and Kurtys P
7SDS	Angel R and Oliver F
7SNL	Devdan L and Ella-Rose M



**Lottie Cowley  
Annabelle McIntosh  
Briton Dyer**

# Year 7 – Bushcraft Residential Review

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## Year 7 2022 Bushcraft Residential Review

Bushcraft is a fun outdoor experience with lots of new opportunities. Although it wasn't perfect, our students found it to be thoroughly enjoyable and a good break from school life with their classmates.

Popular activities throughout our trip were the plane crash where we had to use our first aid skills that we learnt previously to save the victims of the crash; this was a highly enjoyable activity as the teachers that came on our trip were the plane crash victims. Another positive point about the trip was that each day we had some free time each day to spend in our tents. We also enjoyed gathering around the fire to eat our food and have social time. Personally, one of our favorite activities was the knife skills, safety precautions took place and we learnt how to carve a pencil!

The experience was something new that sparked new interests that will help our year 7 students in their journey through Cardinal Newman. Many skills were learnt on the trip that can be used in our future and this is something that we really appreciated.

Some of the things that we found to be a challenge were; toilet facilities, the cold and often difficult weather and the noise from various wildlife and animals in the surrounding areas. However, the Bushcraft staff were always there to help and support us all and we really had a good relationship with our tribe leaders!

Overall, we found that it was such an enjoyable trip, and we would go back to Bushcraft in the future! It was very different to most other school trips and had many new experiences - we highly recommend it.

*Written by Ella-Rose Murphy and Eva Thompson.*

### Bushcraft Photos



# Year 8 – Miss Eggison

'Ex nihilo nihil fit' - Nothing comes from Nothing

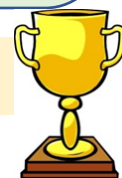
Wow, what a fantastic two weeks we have had. It was fabulous to see so many of you picking up your bronze and silver ASPIRE awards in our assemblies. It was also great to see how many of you are doing so well in and around school. This makes me very proud of you all. It was great having a lovely Christmas Dinner with you all to. I am sure like me you all can't wait to break up for a wonderful Christmas break. Let's keep up the good work for the final weeks.

Miss Eggison

## Year 8 subject winners



## Year 8 tutor winners



Subject	Names
Art	Daniel O Connor and Emilia Kocur
Drama	Samuel Armston & Kateryna Khomystka
English	Conal Dooley and Harret Debling
Maths	Franek Nowak and Malaikah Hussain
PE	Cormac Herbet & Lucy Ilabbett
Science	Ayden Bannister & Anushka Xaavier
Geography	Ellis Whitehead & Corenelia
History	Peaceman Ejebilagbo & Anushka XAVIER
RE	Grace Warner and Finn Mcgorisk
Comp Science	Laila Mohammed
French	Peaceman & Francesca Poleska
Spanish	Anusha Xaavier and Jakub Lukaszyk
Music	Connor Caery and Viki Andrade

Tutor group	Student
8JGD	Quinn Bailey, Aiden Newsome and Anastaszja Meyer
8LAR	Harry Hart and Bridgette O'Leary
8LHN	Meghan Dawson and Matti Milner
8LMR	Aysha Hamil and Paddy Nee
8TEN	Sharuga Uthayasankar and Jared O'Neil
8RDS	Sean Ayres and Aoife Hynes
8TGN	Ashika Indran and Jakub Janczura
8AHR	Ayden Bannister and Harriet Debling
8ABI	Isla Sheehan and Cormac Herbert

**Most ASPIRE points since September - 8RDS 5130**

**Best attendance since September 8JGD – 95.5 %**

# Year 9 – Mr Abbott

## 'Optimis Optimus' - The Best of The Best

As we approach the end of the Autumn term, our Year 9 students have been very busy during tutor time with student council meetings, contributing to debates in our 'talking points' sessions and starting the month of 'Advent'. Over the past week, we took part in school mass where the entire year group walked to our local church to celebrate the up-and-coming Christmas holidays. We have also enjoyed Christmas dinner together and celebrated the successes of the term in our rewards assembly (please see photos below). Lastly, I would like to wish you and your families a restful and fantastic Christmas, and I look forward to seeing our Year 9 students in the new year.

### Year 9 Celebrating Success

Tutor group	Student
8ABK	Urte Polianskyte & Riley Wykes
8CHT	Chloe Shaw & Jeremi Janik
8CML	Cosmas Chow & Otylia Kutta
8EBG	Ryan Colhoun & Nella Zima
8CPE	Anisa Atiemo & Adreece Cheera
8AMY	Lemana Bah & Bartosz Wylaz
8NMI	Marwa Ali & Owen Coyle
8JMH	Jake Riddell & Aswinnikka Jegatheswaran
8SWN	Lacey Overton & Mahmoud Jalloh

Most ASPIRE points since September

**9CPE – 3,526pts**

Best attendance since September

**9CHT – 94.72%**



**Congratulations!**

# Year 9 – Students

## Year 9 Celebrating Success – Rewards Assembly & Christmas Dinner



# Year 10 – Miss Oakman

## Tu modo amitterre si quit- You only lose if you quit

As we approach the end of term, we have been celebrating the continued success of year 10. This week we have had a fabulous week with a brilliant Rewards assembly and a beautiful school mass where the entire year group walked to our local church to celebrate the up-and-coming Christmas holidays.

We were then also very lucky to have had Christmas dinner bought for our year group by the Holly Cross Academy Mac. We sat and celebrated the year so far over a Turkey dinner.

### Period 6

English and Biology Period 6 sessions will continue after the Christmas break.

Students have been issued with a Christmas homework booklet which they will need to complete over the holiday.

#reachforthesky

#no limits

## Year 10 Celebrating Success

Tutor	Excellent ELF	
10FGS	Natan	Sobczak
10NML	Thamizhini	Jeyakanth
10NOE	Teresa	Fernandes
10NOE	Amalson	John
10RCY	Aiden	Ahern
10RCY	Lacey	Laws
10SHN	Evie	Bennell-Low
10SHN	Filip	Bartczak
10PRN	Zuzanna	Tams
10PRN	Elton	Ngouaka-Massa
10SSH	Cian	Pittaway
10TRD	Julia	Bedkowsk
10JCG	Max	Plitt



Most ASPIRE points since September

**10RCY – 4,443pts**

Best attendance since September

**10NML – 95.3%**

**Congratulations!**

# Year 10 – Students



# Year 11 – Mr Poole

## Simpliciter Optimum Sumus – We are Simply the Best

***Welcome parents, carers and students of Year 11.***

***We have had a phenomenal term so far. You've had your first round of GCSE mock exams, you've applied for sixth form and colleges, you have been to apprenticeship fayre's and applied for courses, you have also begun exam prep, period 6 sessions and are now preparing for your second round of mock exams starting Monday 13<sup>th</sup> February 2023.***

### Top Tutor Aspire Points



### Top Tutor Attendance

11AMI	2570
11AMW	3066
11ECM	2442
11HRS	3024
11NSI	3421
11OCO	3445
11SMH	3071
11SON	2614

11AMI	92.6%
11AMW	91.16%
11ECM	90.14%
11HRS	91.24%
11NSI	94.64%
11OCO	91.23%
11SMH	92.41%
11SON	91.83%

### Most ASPIRE points since September

Rennae Surgeill Gill	11NSI	252
Antonia Poleszak	11AMI	250
Madhuna Jeevananthan	11AMW	242
Sharon Mesquita Fernandes	11NSI	241
Emily Suchanska	11OCO	240
Scarlett Wood	11OCO	233
Julia Skowronska	11OCO	230
Jacob Summers	11SMH	224
Nieve Horan	11OCO	219
Milly Bennell-Low	11ECM	218



# Year 11 – Students

## 100% Attendance Since September

Armston, Matti	100%	Kwele, Juppe	100%
Barrie, Mariatu	100%	Mbelani, Abraham	100%
Beczek, Klaudia	100%	McBrearty, Matthew	100%
Bello, Angela	100%	Mesquita Fernandes, Sharon	100%
Bennett, Camiah	100%	Nurse, Danny	100%
Berry, Elise	100%	Nyamakanga, Sasha	100%
Blaszczyszyn, Thomas	100%	Nyilawila, Noreen	100%
Butler-Eales, Jamie	100%	O'Brien, Aoife	100%
Cronin, Sam	100%	Ogundipe, Tomisin	100%
Cummiskey, Ciara	100%	Oladele, Abba	100%
Davies, Jessica	100%	Osarenoghator, Prosper	100%
Dawson, Emily	100%	Poleszak, Antonia	100%
Docherty, Keaton	100%	Quirk-Plunkett, Mia	100%
Doherty, Lexie	100%	Sandhu, Callum	100%
Fernandes, Reva	100%	Sheehan, Luke	100%
Furchel, Hannah	100%	Shine, Millie	100%
Gandazha, Talitha-Kumi	100%	Singh, Nikola	100%
Harvey, Orlagh	100%	Summers, Jacob	100%
Hashemi, Abdul	100%	Szurim, Igor	100%
Hilton, Connor	100%	Szymanski, Oliwier	100%
Hudson, Lilly	100%	Tchani, Bimi	100%
Hughes, Fintan	100%	Toman, Jasmine	100%
Ikhlaq, Zain	100%	Wall, Conor	100%
Imagbovomwan, Nicholas	100%	Warner, Joe	100%
James, Jalen	100%	Whitehead, Jake	100%
Jeevananthan, Madhuna	100%	Wiatrowski, Ernest	100%
Jeganathan, Jack	100%	Wood, Scarlett	100%
Jones, Brodie	100%	Yeboah, Clifford	100%
Jones, Elisha	100%	Zawadzki, Bartek	100%

***Most of you in Year 11 have been working hard this term, but now the hard work really begins.***

***There are now only 21 weeks until exams, 16 of those are school weeks. There is still time to ensure your success in the 2023 summer GCSE exams. I urge all of you to work hard in every lesson, draw on the knowledge and skills of your teachers, attend all period 6 and period 7 sessions you can, ask as many questions as possible, and if you need ANYTHING, please email me, or come and find me in school.***

***Remember, you are all MADE FOR GREATNESS.***



# Post 16 – Miss 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'. Over the past week, we took part in school mass where the entire year group walked to our local church to celebrate the up-and-coming Christmas holidays. We have celebrated our rewards assembly and are looking forward to our Christmas Dinner next week. 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.



## Post 16 Celebrating Success-tutees of the term.



12EDE	Rebecca	Richard
12SHE	Adam	Keira
12RMN	Tompaul	Emma
12SGL	Leon	Shannon
13AHS	Jiya	Bobby
13MCN	Joe	Aimee K
13TDS	Sophie C	Brody
13MBN	Avvinesh	Scarlett

Congratulations to those who have sent off their applications and already received some phenomenal offers!

If you haven't sent yours off yet, please ensure you see your sixth form link.

**Congratulations!**

## Tutor of the Term Y12

12SHE

## Tutor of the term Y13

13MCN



# Social Time Updates

Tutor	Points
7MDH/MHY	34
7CRN	26
7KJB	26
7NWH	26
7EWB	21
7EMY	19
7SDS	15
7SNL	14
7HSE	12

Tutor	Points
8LMR	31
8LAR	25
8ABI	24
8TGN	23
8JGD	18
8RDS	16
8AHR	15
8TEN	14
8LHN	8

Tutor	Points
9CHT	21
9CPE	21
9CML	18
9AMY	16
9ABK	12
9JMH	12
9SWN	10
9EBG	5
9NMI	5

Tutor	Points
10NOE	16
10SRO	13
10JCG	13
10SSH	10
10FGS	5
10NML	5
10TRD	5
10RCY	2
10SHN	0

**The Inter-Tutor Basketball has been a great success so far this half term, we are now coming to the final stages of it with only 1 week left and the current standings can be seen above. Well done to all the students who have participated so far! You have been a credit to your year group.**

This year the events will be:

Autumn 1 – Speed Chess

Autumn 2 – Basketball

Spring 1 – Spelling Bee

Spring 2 – 5-a-side Football

Summer 1 – Dodgeball

Summer 2 – Maths Challenge

# Social Time Updates



## Extra Curricular Timetable

The extra-curricular timetable will be newly updated next term.

# ENGLISH

## The Wonderful World of English

### Word of the Week

#### **Supercilious**

behaving or looking as though one thinks one is superior to others.

Can you use this in your English lessons before the Christmas break?

### Quotation of the Week Robert Louis Stevenson:

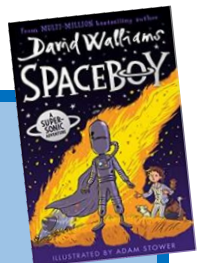
"The difficulty of literature is not to write, but to write what you mean."



### Spotlight

30th December 1865 -  
Rudyard Kipling's  
Birthday.

17th December –  
Jaqueline Wilson



### Book

### Recommendation

David Walliams  
– Spaceboy



# ENGLISH



Over the last two weeks, students in Year 7 to 9 have been learning all about careers in English! Students learnt about the range of career paths that English can open up for them and had the opportunity to pretend they were a sports journalist!

**If you have any further questions about careers in English, please speak to your English teacher.**



**KS3 Careers Session**  
Where can English take you?



## What can you do with an English degree?

English Degrees can lead to careers in...

This list isn't exhaustive – an English degree opens up SO many options for you!

- Digital copywriter
- Editorial assistant
- English as a foreign language teacher
- Lexicographer
- Magazine journalist
- Newspaper journalist
- Private tutor
- Publishing copy-editor/proof-reader
- Secondary school teacher
- Web content manager
- Writer
- Academic librarian
- Advertising copywriter
- Journalist
- Archivist
- Arts administrator
- Education consultant
- Information officer
- Learning mentor
- Marketing executive
- Media researcher
- Primary school teacher
- Public relations officer
- Records manager
- Social media manager



1 Discuss potential careers options in English

**Learning Outcome:** To explore what careers require an English degree



**KS3 Careers Session**  
Where can English take you?



## Creating your own commentary script

Watching this clip (linked in pic) for inspiration, **create a script** between the 'Studio' and the 'Commentator' at the stadium.

**Make notes on key events as you go along!**

**Consider:**

- What the commentator sees
- What the studio might ask
- What information the commentator would give (statistics on players etc)

3 Write a sports commentary script



**Possible Sentence Starters**

**Studio:** Good morning, we will go over to the match between X and Y, where our commentator \_\_\_\_\_ is going to fill us in on all that has been going on.

**Commentator:** Thank you. So far we have had an exhilarating match because it opened with \_\_\_\_\_

**Do not know football?**

Pick something else in your pair that may require commentary

**Learning Outcome:** To explore what careers require an English degree



# ENGLISH



On Wednesday 30th November, we took 150 students from Year 11 (and some from Year 10) to the Alexandra Theatre in Birmingham to see *An Inspector Calls*. We are so proud of how wonderful you all were, and an amazing time was had by all!



# ENGLISH



## *Year 9 – A Christmas Carol on ICE!*

Year 9 pupils had a wonderful time enjoying a spectacular performance of Dickens' A Christmas Carol ... On Ice

Accompanied by Mr Osborne and Mrs Hilton, selected pupils were treated to an energetic, engaging, contemporary rendition of the Yuletide classic.

Pupil behaviour, naturally, was exemplary. Members of the theatre staff commented on our positivity and politeness.

Pupils from our school community performed in the play and were given a rousing round of applause during the finale. However, the true star of the show was year 9's very own. Euan House. Euan's dance moves momentarily took the spotlight from the performers and earned him two free tickets for himself and a friend to visit the ice rink.

Thank you to all those involved.



# Maths

## Star of the Week!

Adeife Ade Solanke  
Erin Butler  
Franek Nowak  
Malaikah Hussain  
Oliver Duggan  
Emily Jordan  
Ryan Smith

Molly Leatherbarrow  
Matti Armston  
Aoife Mcgorisk  
Andrew McElroy  
Hannah Gibson  
Daniel O'Neill  
Saanvi Chauhan



### Upcoming:

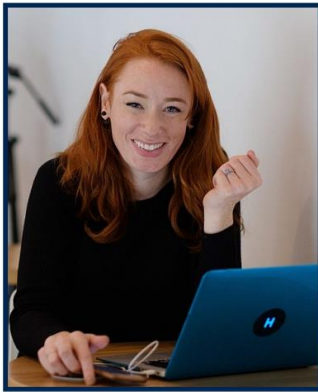
GCHQ Christmas Maths Challenge Weds 14th Dec  
UKMT Intermediate Maths Challenge (Y10 and 11)- Weds 1st Feb 2023

UKMT Junior Maths Challenge (Y7 and 8) Weds 26th April 2023

More to be announced soon!

## Famous Mathematician of the Week

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**Hannah Fry**  
(1984 – )

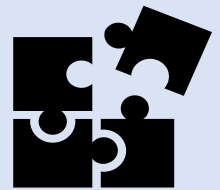
**Nationality**  
British



**Known for**

Studying the maths behind human interactions, including how pandemics spread

Presenting television shows for the BBC and writing books about real-world mathematics



$\pi$

## Mr. Heyes' Christmas Sudoku Challenge!

Mr. Heyes has set a Christmas challenge for all students. Collect a festive sudoku puzzle from the Maths department.

**Send your answers to Mr. Heyes directly or via the red postboxes around the maths department for entry into a pizza prize draw!**

5			4	
	3	5		
	4			5
6		4		
	5	3		
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# RELIGIOUS EDUCATION



## Leading the way



*Students leading the way in RE this half term are...*



### Year 7

- Louis McGovern
- Maita Nyamusamba
- Christian Petrangeli
- Samarbir Kalirae
  - Ella Reid
  - Jack Kirby
- Cole Pittaway
- Max Wilson
- Alfie McDonald



### Year 8

- Ashton Stafford
- Tzurriel Nkhokwe
- Aaron Sandhu
- Jared O'Neil
- Hao Lui
- Riley Bramley
- Neve Bosworth
- Jakub Lukaszuk
- Hamish Wong



### Year 9

- Mahmoud Jalloh
- Findlay Thompson
- Adin Marianixon
- Oskar Bartosiak
  - Leon Rezaei
  - Mason Druse
- Caelan O'Brien
  - David Idzi
- Charlie Paul Ward



### Year 10

- Aiden Ahearn
- Daniel Bien
- George Ramsay
- Lennon Lynch
- Kush Banton
- Dermott Walsh
- Daniil Banys
- Joshua Varney
- Oscar West



### Year 11

- Ben Charlton
- Prosper Osarenoghator
- Clifford Yeboah
- Victory Osuyi
- Lukas Challis
- Fergal Walsh
- Nirthirsan Varatharajan
- Brandon Jones



### Year 12

- Michal Drzewinski

### Year 13

- Jack Brooks

**Congratulations to the above students for leading the way in RE!**



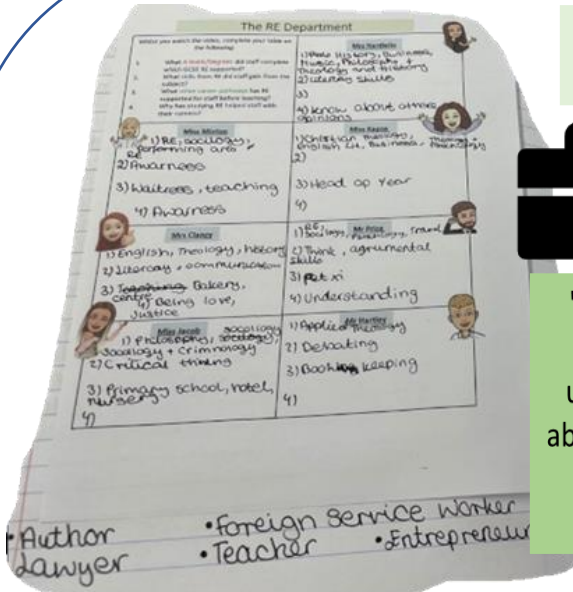
# RELIGIOUS EDUCATION

## RE Careers session



"In our careers lesson we learnt about our RE teachers and how RE helped them with being a teacher and understanding different people. I also enjoyed learning about the jobs they had before they became teachers and what they studied and how they got there"

Maddison B Year 7



"I found the session quite interesting as it gave me better insight to what career paths studying RE at A-Level can offer me!"

Lily Year 11

"I found the session useful as I found out the career paths RE can lead to and the different University courses it can get me on "

Sean year 11



"RE is important for all careers, especially careers where you meet people from other religions so that you know things like what they can and can't eat"

Adrian B Year 7

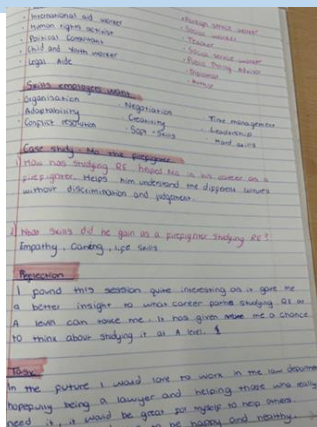
### Year 11 – Did you know?

The literacy skills and content required for GCSE RE are transferrable to other A levels as well as Philosophy and Ethics

You may not be aware but a number of the literacy based subjects are very popular at CNCS and without a **grade 5 in RE GCSE** you cannot get on to some of these courses.

A number of our pupils get into sixth form (Particularly boys!) with the deciding grade being **their RE GCSE**.

**Based on this, are you working where you need to be in this subject?**

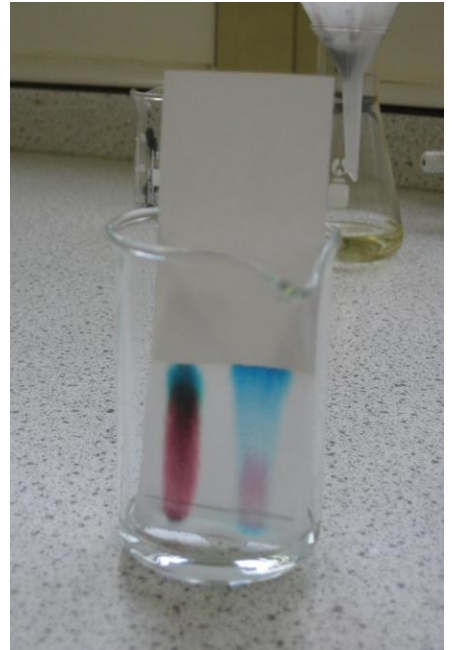


# Science

## Spotlight on Science

Key Stage three students were treated to a chromatography lesson with a difference this month. Students got to walk in the footsteps of different careers and use chromatography in different scenarios.

Meanwhile, Year 10 have been learning about how their nervous system and Year 11 have been looking at how forces affect motion.



## Period 6

Weekly Period 6 sessions are up and running to support the GCSE and A-level Science Candidates. All sessions are after school for one hour on Wednesdays. Week A is GCSE Biology; Week B is GCSE Physics and Chemistry.



The sessions are aimed at upskilling students for the exam and take the style of a 'Walking, talking mock'.

# PHYSICAL EDUCATION DEPT



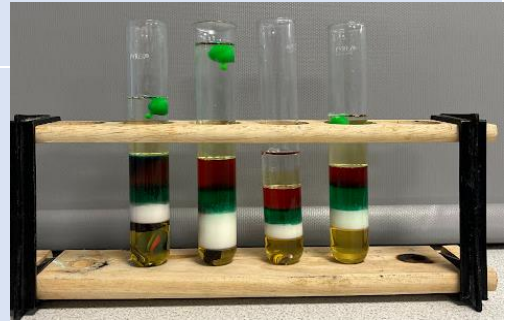
Year 7 and 8 girls got together for their first football fixture against Blue Coat. They played excellently and we were held to a 1-1 draw in the end! The crowd of supporters were constantly supporting and encouraging our players which was great to see. A special mention goes to our GK, Maita. She made some world class saves to keep us in the game! Very proud of you girls, you represented the school amazingly 🌟 ⚽️ 💚 - Miss Barnett

# STEM

## STEM Club

Our STEM Club members are investigating how density affects substances. They made some very impressive density towers which they could use to compare the density of different materials.

The club is set to be making Christmas snowflakes of famous scientists in the run up to the holidays. So, why not come along in DV15 on Tuesday Lunchtimes?



## STEM Lectures

Over 60 staff and students came to the second lunchtime STEM lecture where they got to try some insect protein.

Next lecture is looking at the structures in a pig's head – by dissecting it! Why not come along at the CDT 19/01/23 at 1.40pm.



## STEM website



Keep up-to-date with all things STEM at Cardinal Newman by following us on the school website: <https://www.cncs.school/page/?title=STEM&pid=203>

# HISTORY CHALLENGE

## History Challenge Of The Week

### Who said this?

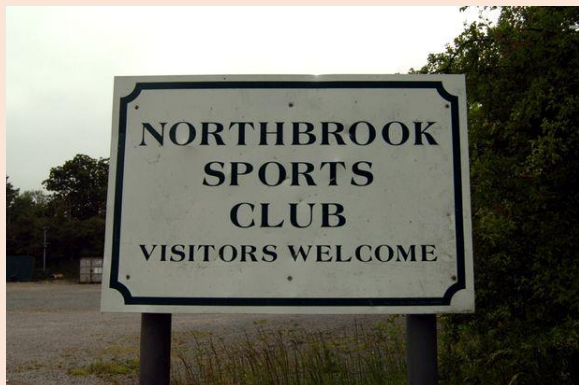
“Unless we make Christmas an occasion to share our blessings, all the snow in Alaska won’t make it ‘white.’”

What happened on this day in the past  
25 December 1977

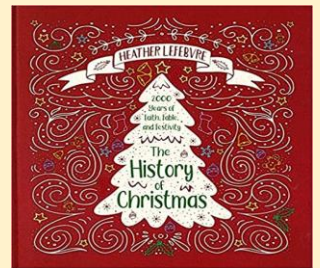
### Who is this?



Where is/was this historic location in Coventry?



History to watch and read



Send all entries to

[rhys.davies@cncs.school](mailto:rhys.davies@cncs.school)



# HISTORY STARS

## Mrs Good

Year 7 – Gethin Davies  
Year 8 – Daniel O'Connor  
Year 9 – Libby Higgins  
Year 10 – Julia Bedkowska  
Year 11 – Christabel Dadzie  
Year 12 – Rebecca Stevenson  
Year 13 – Avvinesh Nadeswaran

## Mr Davies

Year 7 – Devdan Lal  
Year 8 – Quinn Bailey  
Year 9 – Kingsley Adetunji  
Year 10 – Emilie Clark  
Year 11 – Lily Shepherd



## Mr Canning


Year 7 – Kitty Sullivan  
Year 8 – Conall Dooley  
Year 9 – Amelia Phillips  
Year 10 – Oliwia Regula  
Year 11 – Aliysha Hall  
Year 12 – Kelsey Brown  
Year 13 – Jack Brooks



# GEOGRAPHY DEPT

## Geography Geniuses Of The Month!



Mr Miller	Mrs Eggison	 <b>Special Nomination:</b> <b>Scarlett Wood (Y11) -</b> <b>Fantastic dedication to</b> <b>Geography through</b> <b>revision, classwork,</b> <b>exams and homework.</b>	Mr Abbott	Mr Radford
Y7 – Finnan M	Y7 – Josh H		Y7- Erin B	Y7 – Krzystof M
Y8 – Samuel A	Y8 – Peaceman E		Y8 – Franek N	Y8 – Tazmin S
Y9 – Jasmine L	Y9 – Emilia C		Y9 – Beryl K	Y9 – Zuzanna W
Y10 – Zach S	Y10 – Danny T		Y10 – Klayeshia B	Y10 – Kush B
Y11 – Mehetabel A	Y11 – Lakira J		Y11 – Hassan A	Y11 – Sienna C

## Top Educake Quiz Scores

**Year 7: Emmie B** (93% - Out Of 30)

**Year 8: Tzuriel N** (100% Out Of 35)

**Year 9: Serena M** (85% Out Of 40)

**Year 10: Jayden C** (93% Out Of 80)

**Year 11: Daniel T** (96% Out Of 50)

## Geography - Take Your Learning Further

**Year 7:** Educake Christmas Quizzes – Watery World & Flooding

**Year 9:** Educake Christmas Quizzes – Climatic & Tectonic Hazards

**Year 11:** Consuming Energy Resources Booklet & GCSE Geog Educake Quizzes

**Year 8:** Educake Quizzes – Supply & Demand + Water Scarcity

**Year 10:** Educake Christmas Quizzes – Climatic & Tectonic Hazards

**Revision Rewards:**  
**1st** – Chocolate, Postcard Home & 10 Aspire Points For Best Revision In The Class  
**2nd** – Sweets, Postcard Home & 5 Aspire Points For Great Revision  
**Other Entries** – 3-5 Aspire Points For Good Revision.



## **Year 7 Football V Ernesford Grange**

Year 7 Boys continued their unbeaten run with a 6–2 win over Ernesford Grange. Ernesford had won their last match 4-0, so were confident heading into the game against our boys. In very heavy rain, the Newman team successfully worked together and played some very good football. Being well organised and making the most of our chances meant the boys really deserved the result. Man of the match was Rylie Bruce, who also scored a hattrick.

Well done to all the boys.

Mr Minshull, Head of PE.

# PHYSICAL EDUCATION DEPT

## Physical Education Extra-Curricular Activities Winter 2022/23

MONDAY	Meeting night Fitness suite—(After school—4.30pm)
TUESDAY	Trampolining (Lunch 1-1.35pm Gym) Badminton -All years (Lunch 1-1.35pm Sports Hall) Fitness Suite (After school - 4pm) Girls Football—All Years (After school—4pm)
WEDNESDAY	Basketball club – (Lunchtime Sports Hall) Boys Football - All years (After school – 4.30pm)
THURSDAY	Boys Rugby - All years (After school – 4.30pm) Netball - All years (After school – 4.30pm)
FRIDAY	Weight Training KS4—(Lunchtime Fitness Suite) GCSE/BTEC L2/BTEC L3 PE CATCH UP (After school - BO13)



# ART

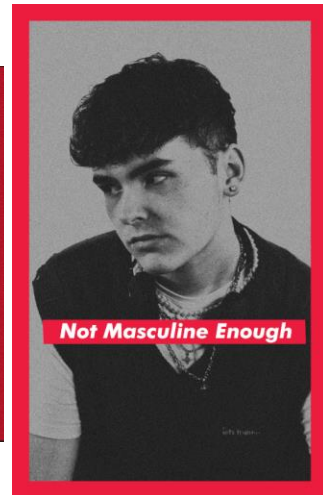
Some of the work from this term.



Above Year 8's world culture inspired work.

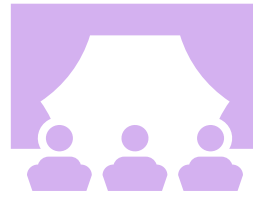


Left, year 12 responses to Helmo.



Left, year 11 double exposure portraits  
Above right, year 12 photography, responses to Barbara Kruger.

# MUSIC

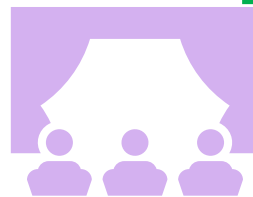


Good luck to Fergal Walsh 11SON who is participating  
in Rotary Young Musicians Competition 2022 on Tuesday



15th November

Choir- Friday lunch  
in CD14- We need  
your support to get  
Christmas ready!



# DRAMA

## **Cardinal Newman** **Theatre Company**

This year the Music & Drama Departments want to put on MASSIVE Performing Arts Showcases, these include:

- YR7 Carol Concert

- Whole School Musical Production - 'Matilda Jr'

- Summer Shakespeare in Coundon Park - 'Twelfth Night'

- Young Performer of the Year – Newman's Got Talent  
If you can Act, Sing, Dance, or play an Instrument we want you!

If you are interested in being a part of the Design & Production team and want to learn about the Lights, Sound, Stage & Set, Costume & Props we want you!

Please meet in Canon Diamond Theatre at lunch time on Monday/Tuesday/Thursday – for more info on how you could get involved in the Canon Diamond Theatre Company.





# SEND Information

- THIS MAY HELP is a new website for parents and carers who have concerns about their child's mental health.
- Trigger warning: Topics covered include: self-harm, gaming and online activity, eating disorders, school avoidance, understanding mental health, online threats, building rapport, building resilience, building a support network, self-care tips, managing an emergency, managing in a crisis, and preparing for a children and adolescent mental health services (CAMHS) appointment. You can access it at <https://thismayhelp.me/>
- Please read about CNCS offer in the SEND Information report



## [CNCS SEND Information Report](#)



If that scene is familiar to you, you're not alone. This type of behaviour is what some psychologists refer to as 'after-school restraint collapse' and it's not unusual. It happens because your child has been busy managing their emotions all day as they navigate the complexities of school life.

Parents' Toolkit from BBC Bitesize has been speaking to educational and child psychologist Dr Anisa-Ree Moses, for some tips on how to handle these outburst of emotions after-school.

## [Five tips to handle the after-school 'meltdown'](#)

# SEND Information

## Coventry SENDIAS



SENDIAS is a free and confidential, information, advice and support service for children and young people (0-25 years old) with Special Educational Needs and Disabilities (SEND) and their parent carers.

## Parent/Carer information session

Throughout the year, SEND IASS invite parent/carers to join for sessions aimed at improving knowledge and understanding around different areas of Special Educational Needs and disabilities, and supporting their children and young people. These sessions are FREE but normally need to be booked in advance. If you are unable to make the session, but would be interested to find out the content, they publish any handouts/ information shared on the day on the website as soon as possible following the event - alternatively, information in hard copy is sent on request.

If you have any areas of support that you think would be useful for SENDIASS to offer through one of these sessions, please let them know either by phone 024 7669 4307 or by email [iass@coventry.gov.uk](mailto:iass@coventry.gov.uk).

Website: [SEND Information, Advice and Support Service \(IASS\) – Coventry City Council](#)

Telephone: 024 7669 4307

Email: [iass@coventry.gov.uk](mailto:iass@coventry.gov.uk)



# SEND Information



COFFEE  
MORNING

**Thank you** to the parents/carers who attending the Year 9 SEND Coffee Morning on Weds 9th November. It was great to meet you all and develop our **CNCS Partnerships**.

If you could not attend, do check our **website** where we will upload the presentation.

## Discussion points:

- Communication & protocols
- Pupil Learning Plans & parental input
- SEND support available
- Upcoming- Year 9 Options & SEND support
- Access arrangements & GCSE support

## Coming up...

- Further SEND Coffee Mornings
- SEND Termly Bulletins



**Visit our webpage for our events calendar.**

# SEND Information

Please use this link to access the school SEND information report: [CNCS SEND Information Report](#)

Please use the information below to find n access help for a range of concerns.

Service	Link
Coventry Local Offer	<a href="https://www.coventry.gov.uk/localoffer">https://www.coventry.gov.uk/localoffer</a>
SENDIASS (information and help for families)	<a href="https://www.coventry.gov.uk/sendiasm">https://www.coventry.gov.uk/sendiasm</a>
Support and information for emerging mental health issues	<a href="https://cwise.com/for-parents/">https://cwise.com/for-parents/</a>
Mental Health	<a href="https://cwmind.org.uk/supporting-children-and-young-people/">https://cwmind.org.uk/supporting-children-and-young-people/</a>
Autism resources	<a href="https://cwmind.org.uk/autism-resources/">https://cwmind.org.uk/autism-resources/</a>
Anxiety and school refusal	<a href="https://www.youngminds.org.uk/parent/parents-a-z-mental-health-guide/school-anxiety-and-refusal/">https://www.youngminds.org.uk/parent/parents-a-z-mental-health-guide/school-anxiety-and-refusal/</a>
Autism support	<a href="https://www.autism.org.uk/directory/c/coventrysend-information-advice-and-supportservice">https://www.autism.org.uk/directory/c/coventrysend-information-advice-and-supportservice</a>





# PSHE



During this half-term, students across Yr7-13 have learnt topics around the theme of 'Living in the Wider World'. Learning about living in the wider world is linked to a variety of elements of PSHE which children and young people need to know, relating to respecting others, being a responsible and contributing citizen of their community, their country and the wider world. It can include safety and risk management in the community, finance and economics, politics, the environment, cultures and careers.

## Road Safety Awareness:

A reminder that with the dark mornings and evenings upon us, please check out these tips whilst walking, cycling & driving home safely.



<https://twitter.com/thinkgovuk/status/1588570627644198912?s=46&t=EaQge-BRdYnmlxWy9X-H9w>

## E-safety guidance for children & parents/carers:

Please check out the useful websites below for further support and guidance on keeping children safe whilst online.

<https://www.childnet.com/>

<https://nationalonlinesafety.com/guides>



**Please follow our school PSHE twitter page for any top tips, parents/carers guidance - @Newman\_PSHE**



# CAREERS

What a Fantastic day we had at The MTC in Coventry. We had an opportunity to take our students interested in Engineering up to Ansty Park. We were shown around the facility and the students got involved in using Robotics. We were told what their apprenticeship offering looks like – how it works with the training they provide and the part the employer plays.

The MTC are holding an open evening in March as follows:  
7th February 2023 – 5:30pm.



## Year 11 College Applications.

The time to apply is now!

Find the course you wish to apply for; remember it must be full time.

A level 3 extended diploma is the *equivalent* of 3 A levels and most colleges need 5 Grade 4 –9 passes.

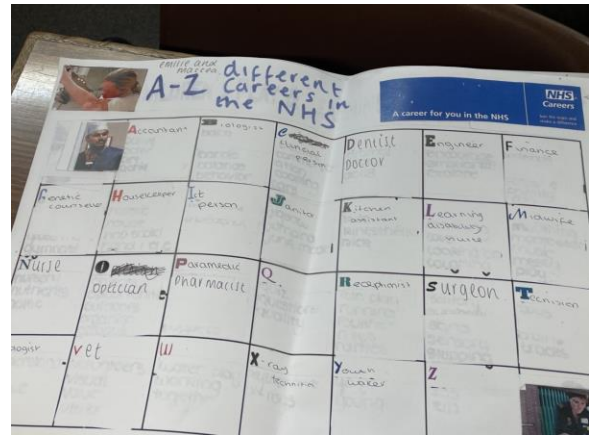
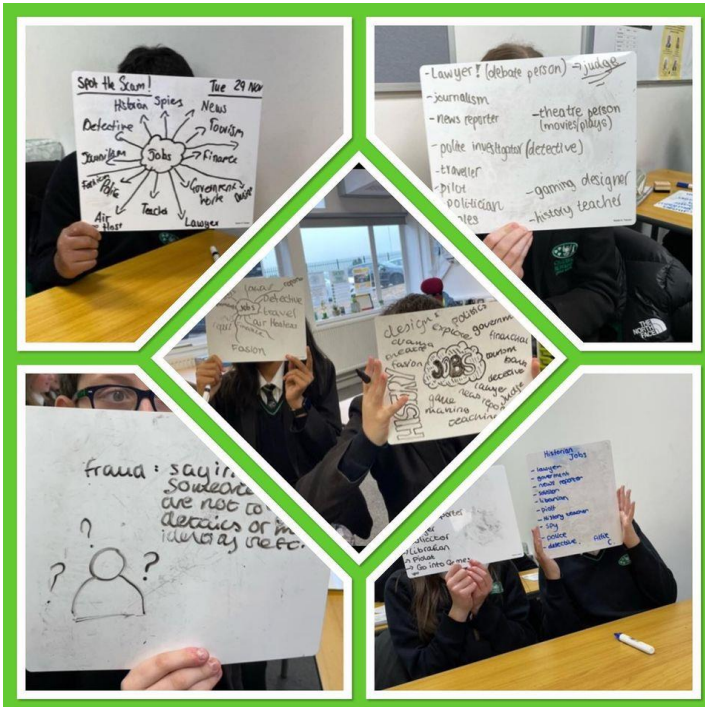
Press Apply Now.....

Complete the form – put in your predicted grades and the date you will receive the results: 17th August 2023.

# CAREERS ACROSS THE CURRICULUM

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Students in Year 7-10 got to find out about how different jobs and careers are linked to the subject that they are studying.

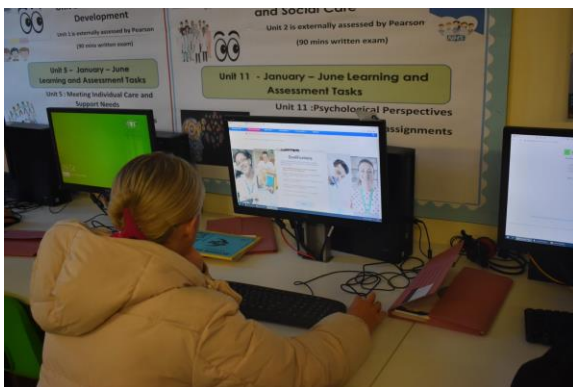
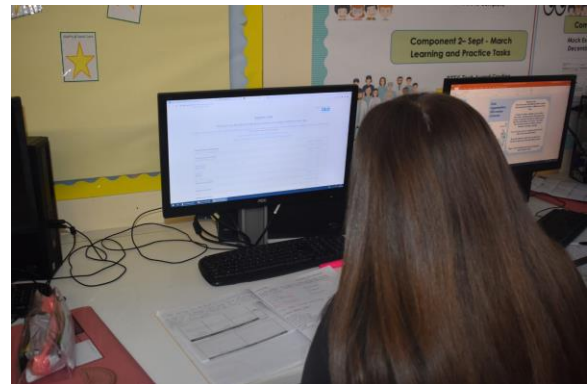
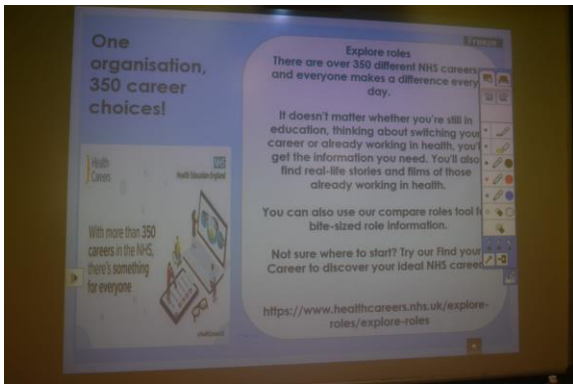


Examples of lessons from History, Health and Social Care and Art

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Students in Health and Social Care researching jobs and careers related to the Health industry and using Unifrog to find out more.

# CAREERS - UNIFROG



## Unifrog:

All students have access to our online career's destination platform; Unifrog.

**Students can take the personality and interests quizzes to find out about themselves and what career might suit them.**

<b>Interests profile</b> ✘ Quiz not taken <a href="#">Start &gt;</a>	<b>Personality profile</b> ✘ Quiz not taken <a href="#">Start &gt;</a>	<b>Work environments profile</b> ✘ Quiz not taken <a href="#">Start &gt;</a>
<b>Careers library</b> ✘ Careers favourited <a href="#">Go to tool &gt;</a>	<b>Subjects library</b> ✘ Subjects favourited <a href="#">Go to tool &gt;</a>	<b>Know-how library</b> ✘ Guides favourited <a href="#">Go to tool &gt;</a>
<b>MOOC</b> Make your first shortlist <a href="#">Start &gt;</a>	<b>Webinars</b> Hear directly from the experts <a href="#">Go to tool &gt;</a>	<b>Read, Watch, Listen</b> ✘ Profiles favourited <a href="#">Start &gt;</a>

Students can log in at <https://www.unifrog.org/sign-in> and should use their school email address.

They can reset their password by clicking the forgotten password button underneath the log in section.

# Sheffield Manor – History Trip

On Wednesday 7th and Thursday 8th December, Year 11 historians visited Sheffield Manor Lodge as part of their GCSE History course. Here we were greeted by friendly, knowledgeable historians who gave us a tour of the very place Mary Queen of Scots was held for many years.

The lodge consisted of 3 floors each one filled with an equal amount of activity, entertainment and educational value. On the first floor we learnt about Tudor fashion and even got to try some of the garments - many photos were taken. On the second floor we were educated on the Tudor diet and even got to see what Mary herself would have eaten. The third and final floor (after the long ascent up the narrow stone staircase) gave us a look into how Mary spent her time there for example watching deer, embroidering and keeping birds.



# Sheffield Manor – History Trip

After that we were given a tour of the grounds as the tour guide explained Mary was held at Sheffield Manor Lodge due to the hilly terrain and the distance from the sea. The afternoon was spent completing a treasure hunt and uncovering our own versions of encoded messages that Mary herself was fond of sending. Finally, we finished the day attempting to write in quill and ink, matching up Shakespearean language to common day definitions and moulding the exterior of what the lodge used to look like out of clay. The trip exceeded our expectations because it gave us an in depth, personal look into Mary's imprisonment and why she was kept at Sheffield Manor Lodge.



A huge thank you to the students for representing the school so well.

Also, thank you to the staff for organising such a great trip!