

March 2023



Cardinal Newman Catholic School



Holy Cross Catholic Multi Academy Company

NEWSLETTER



'The great gift of Easter is Hope'



HEADTEACHER'S MESSAGE

Dear Parents/Carers

As we come to the end of our Spring Term, I take this opportunity to thank our families, staff and students for their commitment to our school and wider community.

We have had a very busy half term and students have had the opportunity to access a wide range of activities and personal development opportunities. The list is numerous and includes outreach work within the Peace Orchard, visits to Coventry University, World Book Day, Cultural Diversity groups and many more.

We have been driving attendance this term and those with 100% were included in a prize draw to win a bike. Further information in the newsletter, the joy on the winner students' faces is evident. Well to all involved.

For the Summer Term we are looking forward to better weather and students accessing the fields at social times.

In the Summer Term our 12 students will begin their work experience, we are delighted to now be able to offer this valuable experience to year 10.

We look forward to welcoming our new Year 7 students on transition day in July and of course the farewell mass and proms for year 12 and 13.

The school will be celebrating the King's Coronation on Friday 5th May, this will be a non-uniform day and further details will follow.

The school will be sadly saying farewell to our wonderful staff members - Mrs. Holyman, Mrs. Griffiths and Mrs. Davenport-Adams. We wish them all the best in their new ventures. In the Summer term we will see the return of some familiar faces, Mrs. Stowe and Ms. Nelson returning to Cardinal Newman and we welcome new staff members, Mr. Underwood, Mr. Kelly and Ms. Panait-Ghita.

It is with great sadness that we share with you that a former Cardinal Newman student Jack Garton, has sadly passed away. We remember his family and friends in our prayers at this time.

Wishing all our staff, families and students a peaceful Easter break.



ATTENDANCE



On Monday we had our year 8 awards assembly and 2 lucky students won a bike for 100% attendance since Christmas.

Congratulations to Gerardus Gargar and Demi-Lea Wilson.



And congratulations to Riley Bramley and Harriet Debling who had 100% attendance this half term and won a wonderful Cadbury's Easter hamper. Well done.



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 60-minute lunch on a Friday alongside some chocolate treats.

Want to win a bike?

Every student who has 100 % attendance from Wednesday 4th January to Friday 23rd March will be entered into a prize draw to win a brand-new bike. To be entered all the students need to do is to attend school for 68 days consecutively. The draws will be taking place week beginning 27th March. Students who have had 100% attendance this half term will also have the chance of winning a Cadburys Easter hamper.



TERM DATES

Please find below the school term dates:

<u>Term</u>	<u>Term dates</u>	<u>Teacher Training Days</u>
Spring 2023	<u>Easter Holiday</u> Saturday 1 April to Sunday 16 April	
Summer 2023	Monday 17 April to Friday 21 July	Friday 30 June 2023
(Pupil Days 65) (Total Days 66)	<u>May Day Holiday</u> Monday 1 May <u>Bank Holiday</u> Monday 8th May	
	<u>Half Term Break</u> Saturday 27 May to Sunday 4 June	
Last day of Summer Term (Students)	<u>Friday 21st July</u>	

Upcoming dates for the diary:

27th April – Year 7 Parent's Evening

5th May – Coronation Day

8th May – Bank Holiday

8th May – Mental Health Awareness Week

6th July – Year 13 Prom

28th June - Year 11 Prom



CLASSCHARTS IS BACK!!

Following feedback from parents/carers and students we have decided to return to using Class charts for recording and communicating behaviour and aspire points as well as homework and Arbor will continue to be used for recording attendance and reporting academic progress.

This change will take place from Monday February 27th, 2023, and Class charts will be the schools' main method to report students' behavior and notifying parents/carers of detentions. If you have not downloaded the Class Charts App and turned on the notifications, please do so via this link:- <https://www.classcharts.com/>

All parents/carers will shortly receive an email with instructions on how to access their Class charts account, which includes their access code and steps to get logged in. Please be aware that these have not changed and if you already have your log in details, please continue to use Class charts as normal.

We have provided all parents with a helpful guide on how to use Class charts which is available via the following link:-

<https://tinyurl.com/jfctx2ja>

We are pleased to further extend our use of class charts with the re-introduction of the online ASPIRE Reward Shop. Students will be able to order items from the Reward Shop via Class charts and will also be able to visit our Reward Shop during lunchtimes on Fridays to collect their rewards.

We would like to take this opportunity to thank you for your support in using Class Charts and we are excited to develop it further as a communication tool to help both parents and pupils engage & celebrate achievement. If you need any support or have any questions or queries, please contact the school on 02476 332382 to speak to our ICT Support team.



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ClassCharts

CATHOLIC LIFE

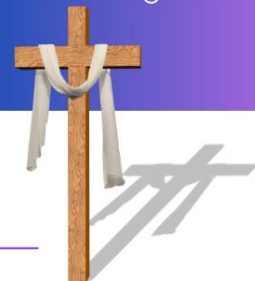


Chaplaincy
Sway Page

Charity Roadshow



As part of the Mac Lenten Charity drive, our core charity team have travelled to other schools to run Fairground games as a fundraiser for our Mac Charities. Students from all 5 primary schools is the Mac have had an opportunity to get a visit from the CNCS students and have been able to win prizes. A big thank you and congratulations to the students involved with this fundraising event.



Lenten Sessions

During lent every tutor group has been using videos produced by the chaplaincy team to reflect on the gospels each week. These reflections have lead the mindfulness activities to create displays in each classroom reflecting on the message of God during lent.



Class masses

Throughout the last few weeks, year 8 classes have been given the opportunity to celebrate mass as a class. This has managed to link with the Year 8 scheme of work.



Stations of the

Cross Throughout Lent year 7 students have been given the opportunity to partake in the stations of the cross lead by the Chaplain Alfie



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Ramadan



It is currently the month of Ramadan which is the 9th Month of the Islamic Calendar. During Ramadan, Muslims are encouraged to fast if they are able and to focus on their prayer life.

Staff and students that are observing Ramadan are supported in their fasting and invited to fulfil the Dhuhr prayer time.

We have Prayer Mats available to assist with prayer and anyone needing further support should contact the Chaplaincy team in CA01.



RESPECT AGENDA

We would like to make all parents/carers aware of the school's Respect Agenda that promotes and educates our students on being respectful. Respect is at the core of our school ethos and is promoted through our ASPIRE values

The focus for the first week back at school is respecting our school environment and specifically enforcing the ban of chewing gum on school site. In the last 2 years we have invested in new tennis courts and a state-of-the-art canteen so that our students have some of the best facilities in the city during social times. However, we have since had to invest further in maintaining these areas, due to the amount of chewing gum that has been left on the tennis courts and surrounding the canteen.

Please support the school by ensuring your child is not bringing chewing gum into school to help us maintain a clean and pleasant environment for all children.





Student Council Updates Miss Cunningham



Key Dates

On Friday 24th March, the next student council meeting will be happening. We will be discussing:

1. Big Day Out
2. Assessments
3. Chewing Gum – Talking Point Feedback
4. Cultural Diversity

The meeting discussion notes will be shared shortly afterwards!

ECA Opportunities/ Respecting Personal Space Feedback

In the last student council pastoral session, you discussed personal space and what ECA opportunities are on offer.

81% of students said that they do not access ECA clubs. Why is this?

We'll be discussing this in the next student council meeting.

2. Do more than 60% of your tutor group access ECA clubs at social times? (0 point)

[More Details](#)

● Yes	5
● No	22



3. If you answered no, why is this? (0 point)

[More Details](#)

● The clubs are boring	9
● We didn't know about the range...	3
● We actively choose not to go	19
● There isn't enough clubs on offer...	7
● Other - please state below	12



Personal Development

Passport to Greatness Award Winners Spring Term 2 – Well done!

BRONZE AWARD:

- ✓ Alex Burns
- ✓ Joshua Hicks
- ✓ Anuska Xaavier
- ✓ Quinn Bailey
- ✓ Rose Magee
- ✓ Keziah Adu-Boahene
- ✓ Aron Harosi
- ✓ Ellie Rush
- ✓ Logan-Lloyd Stocker
- ✓ Olivia Warner

SILVER AWARD:

- Sienna Morgan
- Viki Andrade
- David Suarez Chavez



Well Done!



Community

Queens Canopy Tree Planting

On 10th February students were pleased to receive the gift of a new tree, in recognition for their work on environmental projects. Coventry's Lord Mayor, Councillor Kevin Maton, along with Coventry's Park Rangers, presented and helped students plant the tree on our school grounds as a legacy for future generations.

The new tree is a Whitebeam (*sorbus aria*) and was donated to Coventry by the Queens Green Canopy – a nationwide initiative created to mark the late Queen's Platinum Jubilee, which has been extended by His Majesty King Charles.

The Lord Mayor said: "It's an honour to be able to gift this tree to students of Cardinal Newman for all of the hard work they have shown in helping our environment.

"The tree is a fitting gift and reminder of the efforts they have and continue to put in to reducing the impact on the environment that we all make."

We are proud that we have been able to part of this event and look forward to continuing our environmental work as we move through the academic year.



Community

Warwickshire Wildlife Trust (WWT)

Thanks to Players of People's Postcode Lottery the Wildlife Trust are able to work with schools in Coventry, Nuneaton and Bedworth for free. Over 2 academic terms they will work intensively with Cardinal Newman to support their outdoor learning. They will provide teacher support and CPD and also provide resources to help get children and young people outside and connecting with Nature. We will go den building, build bird feeders and learn about nature. This will help to increase student's nature connectivity and also pupil wellbeing. Once the sessions are finished WWT will leave a learning box for the school to use in the future including activities such as a bug hunting set and den building tarps. This will support our development of our Forest School and pond.



Community

Residential Home

Cardinal Newman have been visiting Ashfield House residential home and made a positive impact on the residents. Feedback from the home: "Students are very enthusiastic to talk to the residents and find out their likes and interests, the residents look forward to the students visiting and show a lot of interest in the students when they are here". The residents love the visits and in particular enjoyed the pupil's company at their Valentines party. Pupils were brilliant in creating decorations with Creative Kindness earlier in the week and provided drinks and sweet treats for the residents.



Community



**Litter picking
to support
our eco-
school status**

**Using
our school
pond and
Forest
school to
look at our
local wildlife**



Community



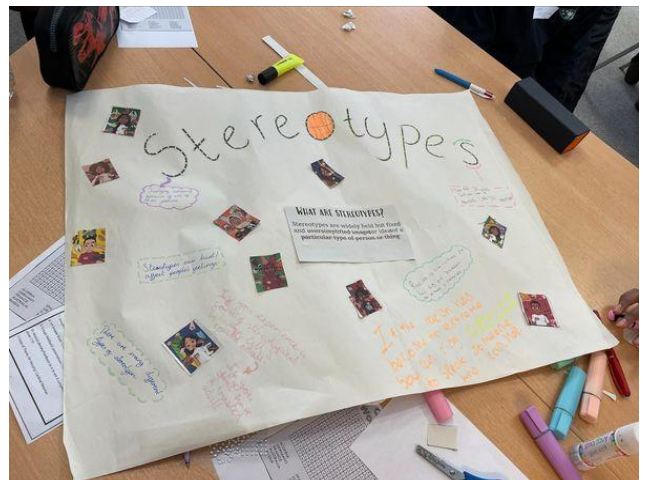
**Students
have
enjoyed
planting
Spring bulbs
in our peace
garden**

**Students
worked with
Creative
Kindness to
make
Mother's
Day cards**



Cultural Diversity

We are proud of how diverse we are as a school community. On 14th March, Year 7 & 8 students who are part of our cultural diversity group attended a conference at Bishop Ullathorne School. They had discussions on how they can raise awareness of racism in school and society plus explored solutions on how to deal with racism and looked at real examples. It was lovely to see such great conversations between students at both schools. Thanks to Bishop Ullathorne for hosting the conference. We are looking forward to meeting as a group before we break up for Easter.



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.

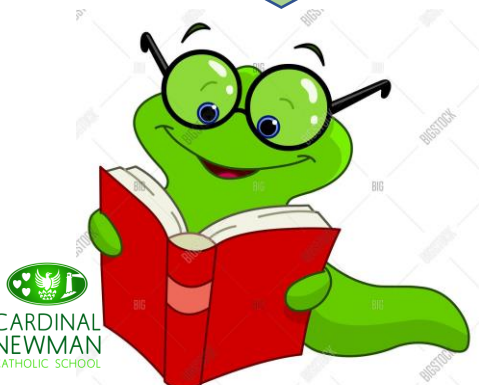
To log in to your Lexia account:

- Go to the school website (www.cncs.school)
- 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 Student Support with Mrs. Cotterill.

Power Up Targets:

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



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 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.

Coventry Holiday Activities and Food Programme

The next activities will be taking place in the Easter school holidays (**Friday 31 March – Sunday 16 April 2023**) and bookings are now open for 80 free activities – all with free food provided

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

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

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

Coventry Food Bank

"We don't think anyone in our community should have to face going hungry" Coventry food bank can provide three day's nutritionally balanced emergency food and support to local people who are referred to them in crisis.

Nearest foodbank:

St Francis of Assisi, Links Road, CV6 3DL

Contact number: 02476993770 <https://coventry.foodbank.org.uk/locations/>

WELLBEING CALENDAR

When	Event	Link
13th – 17th March	Nutrition and Hydration week	N&H Week Nutrition and Hydration Week
17th March	World Sleep Day	World Sleep Day March 18, 2022



LIBRARY

Mrs McLachlan

EASTER HOLIDAY READING



Don't forget to pop into the library to browse for your Easter holiday read. There are many new titles in as well as titles in French, Spanish and Polish. A selection of graphic novels, non-fiction and fiction books are available as well as revision guides for a little home study during the break. You can also access a variety of reading by using the SORA Reading App.

REMINDER: 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. You can borrow books online and read or listen to them.

www.soraapp.com/welcome/login/202256



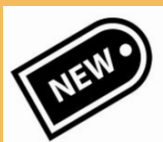
Spring Term

Recommended Reading

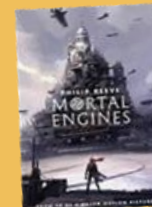
Year 7	<i>The Murderer's Ape</i> – Jakob Wegelius
Year 8	<i>Hocus Pocus & the All New Sequel</i> – A W Jantha
Year 9	<i>Aristotle & Dante Discover the Secrets of the Universe</i> – Benjamin Alire Saenz
Year 10	<i>Mortal Engines</i> – Philip Reeve
Year 11	<i>Lockwood & Co The Screaming Staircase</i> – Jonathon Stroud
Post 16	<i>Tomorrow is Beautiful</i> – Sarah Crossan



In April we are looking forward to the illustrator and author Dave Shelton visiting CNCS. He will be talking about his career as an illustrator and author and holding workshops with some of our Year 9 students. We are very excited and looking forward to his visit!



There are a number of new sections that have been introduced into the library including Dyslexia Friendly, Mental Health and Wellbeing and Languages Around the World. All the titles are available to borrow by students.

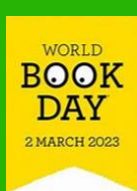


The library now hosts a Stationery Shop at the main reception desk. Students are able to purchase resources at very reasonable prices. Student Planners are also available for £2 each.

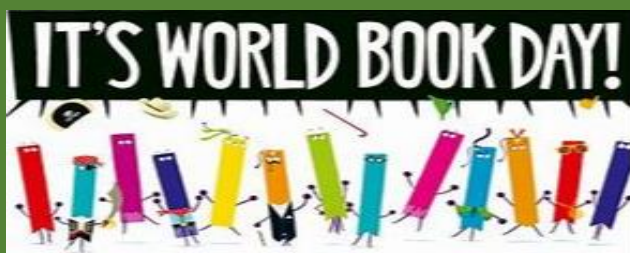
Black pen - 20p
Pencil - 20p
Sharpener - 10p
Ruler - 60p
Highlighter - 50p
Protractor - 60p

Have a wonderful Easter Holiday!





LIBRARY



Everyone at CNCS had a fantastic day celebrating World Book Day. There was a marvellous atmosphere as students enquired who staff members were dressed up as and even voted for their favourite -congratulations Miss Dynan who designed and made her very own Queen of Hearts costume from Lewis Carroll's novel *Alice in Wonderland*.

Tutor groups from Year 7 and 8 took part in 'Decorate your tutor door' competition where they were asked to decorate their tutor doors in a literary theme. There were some magnificent and very creative entries by all tutor groups but there could only be one winner from Year 7 and Year 8 – congratulations go to Miss Dynan and her tutor group who continued their theme of *Alice in Wonderland* with their eye popping and colourful creation. Congratulations also goes to Mr Gordon's tutor group for their magnificent design, demonstrating creativity and fantastic imagination from his students.

The library was full of students participating in the *Where's Wally* theme during their break and lunchtime where they had to find 10 Wallys hidden around the library. It was wonderful to see how enthusiastic the students were as they searched high and low for Wally.

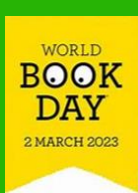


Languages Around the World



The library now has a section which includes literature in French, Polish and Spanish for students to browse and borrow. In time titles in other languages will be added to the collection and we welcome any recommendations from students, their families, staff and the wider community.

The library hopes to create a rich and diverse collection of books that reflect the school community.



LIBRARY



Year Group Webpages

We have launched year group webpages, which can be found on the school website.

The webpage includes the following

- Welcome message from the head of year
- Contact information
- Year group messages
- Key dates
- Communication to parents/guardians
- Enrichment opportunities

Check the school's website for exciting upcoming events

'Ex nihilo nihil fit'

*'Occasiones non factum te
create eos'*

'Optimis Optimus'

'Tu modo amittere si quit'

*'Nos sumus simpliciter
optimum'*



Year 7 – Mr J McIntock

A warm welcome again to our Year 7 students and families. We have had, as always, another busy half-term, where our students have been completing the next round of Assessments in preparation for the summer term. We have also been pleased to see the various achievements of our Y7 sports teams, along with some of the brilliant interventions taking place with our students. As always, your head of year and fantastic tutor team are here to help and support you all.

'Occasiones non factum te creare eos'
'Opportunities do not happen, you create them'

Mr McIntock

Year 7 Celebrating Success

CNCS Boys U12
Year 7 Rugby Team

Thursday 2nd March 2023
U12 (Year 7) Rugby Match
(AWAY)

Finham park v's CNCS

WON 10 – 60

Fabulous performance – from all x12 Boys.
Mr Minshull



Match Report
CNCS boys travelled to Finham park school. In true rugby spirit, we had to lend some of our boys to the opposition (seen in green above), due to no shows from their team. Our team of boys (above in black) were exceptional in their attitude and commitment to the team. Their support for each other is clear and it's a pleasure to coach them. Hopefully we can continue the good form. Well deserved win!
Mr Minshull – Head of PE

CNCS Girls U12
Year 7 Netball Team

Tuesday 14th Feb 2023
Valentines Day
U12 (Year 7) Netball Match
(AWAY)

CNCS v's CALUDON
CASTLE SCHOOL

WON 13 – 1

Fabulous performance – from all x16 girls.
Mrs Minshull



Match Report I couldn't be more proud of these wonderful x16 Year 7 Netballers. This team is exceptional in their attitude and commitment to the team. Their support for each other is clear and it's a pleasure to coach them. Another WIN at Caludon Castle = 13 – 1 Well deserved!
Mrs Minshull

Attendance

7NWH	95.56%
7KJB	94.97%
7MHY	94.17%
7HSE	94.04%
7CRN	93.46%
7EWB	93.37%
7EMY	93.3%
7SDS	92.96%
7SNL	92.82%

Year 7 ASPIRE and Rewards

7CRN	11844
7KJB	9412
7NWH	8552
7EWB	8501
7MHY	8011
7EMY	7392
7SNL	6816
7SDS	6562
7HSE	6185

Most ASPIRE points last week



Best Tutor
Attendance

7SJD
97.67%



Year 8 – Miss Eggison

Happy March Year 8.

We have had a wonderful half term once again. As we prepare for our Easter break we have seen a huge improvement in the number of Aspires being given and some excellent attendance, but as always there is room for improvement. We had a wonderful parents evening where it was fantastic to see so many of you in attendance. I look forward to showing off some of your achievements in our awards assembly.

'Ex Nihilo Nihil fit - Nothing comes from nothing' – Year 8 Successes & Notices



Year 8 Attendance Overall

Year 8 Aspire Overall

8JGD	95.14%	8RDS	8,739
8ABI	93.92%	8JGD	6,872
8AHR	93.75%	8LAR	5,950
8LHN	93.16%	8AHR	5,819
8RDS	92.71%	8LMR	5,673
8TGN	92.69%	8TGN	5,424
8LMR	92.4%	8LHN	5,027
8TEN	92.39%	8ABI	4,868
8LAR	92.12%	8TEN	4,656

Congratulations
Attendance
8JGD 95.1%

Congratulations
Aspire 8RDS
8739

Well done to all students who have one an Easter egg from me for most aspire points, remember it resets each week. Can you be in the top 3?



Year 9 – Mr J Abbott

It has been another busy half-term for our fantastic year 9's. Firstly, it was lovely to see so many parents/carers who attended our Options Evening back in February. Students have had lots of guidance and support from teaching staff and our tutor team during their pastoral programme, which gave them the opportunity to discuss future aspirational career choices beyond their GCSE's. Secondly, lots of students have demonstrated they are 'Made For Greatness' with developing their leadership skills this half-term – Inter-tutor competitions, student-led assemblies, student council, representing the school in sports fixtures and attending STEM masterclasses at Coventry University were just some of our year group highlights. Lastly, I would like to take this opportunity to wish you all a restful Easter break with family and friends. 'Optimus Optimis – The Best Of The Best'.



**x30 Year 9 students
visited Coventry
University in February to
attend an event linked
with International
Women's Day.**



**9CML received the
most ASPIRE points
for Respect last week.
Well done!!**



**Best Tutor
Attendance
9CHT
93.79%**

Tutor group	Total number of ASPIRE points since September
9ABK	4487
9CHT	6509
9CML	6155
9EBG	6088
9CPE	6591
9AMY	4750
9NMI	4683
9JMH	5257
9SWN	4566



Year 10 – Miss H Oakman

Another week approaches where we are closer to our first exam season with Year 10. We started the week with students receiving their mock results. Please ensure you have discussed their results with your child and ensure they have a plan in place for revision at home. We have 5 teaching weeks as of next week until the first **Biology exam, 24 teaching days...**

To support the students and parents Positively You came into on Monday to host revision workshops with Year 10 students parents. This was a brilliant event, where revision strategies were shared, students and parents gained an understanding into the world of revision. The key speaker spoke about revision should be taking place **for 2 hours an evening minimum 20-minute sessions at a time**. Distractions should be avoided including mobiles, music and students should have a space to sit up straight. Students have been emailed a copy of the PowerPoint alongside a study and revision timetable calculator. Please support your child with their revision over the easter holidays. They have been issued with new English and Science revision guides alongside Revision poster reminders.

Key dates for the exams are stated below:

Students have been issued with x2 English revision guides that include exam practice sessions and a Biology revision guide.

REMINDER - EXAM DATES:

English Language

Paper 1: Mon 5th June 2023

Paper 2: Mon 12th June 2023

Biology

Paper 1: Tues 16th May 2023

Paper 2: Fri 9th June 2023



**Star of the Fortnight :
Ava Walsh**

Year 11 – Mr Poole

Year 11 Information

Welcome parents and carers. What a fantastic term Year 11 have had.

Year 11 are well on their way to being fully prepared for their GCSE exams. We have completed a full round of mock exams, lots of period 6, period 7 and Saturday tuition sessions. In addition, some students have now completed their formal exams in some subjects.

Overall, we are really proud of the effort and dedication Year 11 are putting into their GCSE preparation.

Tutor Group	ASPIRE Point Total
11AMI	4748
11AMW	5858
11ECM	6026
11HRS	5635
11NSI	6601
11OCO	6579
11SMH	5719
11SON	5442

Star of the Fortnight:

Akilan Rahulan

4 school weeks
until the GCSE
exams start

Please do not hesitate to contact me for any support:

Robert.Poole@cncs.school

Please check ClassCharts for the days you have been invited to school



Year 11 – Mr Poole

Year 11 Information

Year 11 Easter School Timetable

Monday 3rd April 2023	Tuesday 4th April 2023	Wednesday 5th April 2023	Thursday 6th April 2023	Friday 7th April 2023
Mrs Bassett - Business 9 - 11am	Mr Minshull - GCSE PE 9 - 12pm	Mr Chapman - Imedia 9 - 1pm	Mr Kemp - Maths 9 - 1pm	No Sessions
Miss Minton - RE 9 - 12pm	Mr Miller - Geography 9 - 12pm	Mrs Minshull - BTEC Sport 10 - 2pm	Mr Mistry - Maths 9 - 1pm	
Mr Davies - History 9 - 1pm	Mr Chapman - Imedia 9 - 1pm	Mr Poole - Maths 9 - 1pm	Miss Acton - Library 9 - 1pm	
Mrs Matthew-Alias - Science 9 - 1pm	Mrs Minshull - BTEC PE 10 - 2pm	Mrs Irwin - Maths 9 - 1pm		
Mrs Minshull - BTEC Sport 10 - 2pm	Mrs Irwin - Maths 9 - 1pm			
Mr Poole - Maths 9 - 1pm	Miss Windley - Art/Photography 10 - 1:30pm			
Mr Chapman - Imedia 9 - 1pm	Mr Poole - Maths 9 - 1pm			
	Mrs Matthew-Alias - Science 9 - 1pm			

Monday 10th April 2023	Tuesday 11th April 2023	Wednesday 12th April 2023	Thursday 13th April 2023	Friday 14th April 2023
No Sessions	Mr Miller - Geography 9 - 12pm	Mrs Hine - Music 9 - 1pm	Mrs Shepherd - Science 9 - 1pm	No Sessions
	Mr Walsh - Drama 9 - 1pm	Miss Acton - Library 9 - 1pm	Miss Ward - Biology 9 - 1pm	
	Mr McDonnell - English Literature 9 - 1pm			
	Miss Goodwin - English Literature 9 - 1pm			
	Mrs Perkins - English Literature 9 - 1pm			
	Miss Aston - English Literature 9 - 1pm			
	Mr Osborne - English Language 9 - 1pm			
	Miss Mohan - English Language 9 - 1pm			

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Post 16– Miss L Mohan

Year 13 are really busy over the next few weeks with parents evening and student finance evening approaching!

There are lots of exciting opportunities coming up for sixth form over the next few months including work experience for Y12, the leavers ball and leavers assembly.

Exams are due to begin the week beginning 15th May so we are now on the final countdown!

Y12 are currently seeking out their work experience placements for 17th- 21st July. Please ensure once you have secured a placement, it is added to Unifrog.

Student Finance Evening for Year 13 will be held on Tuesday 28th March 2023 at 6pm. This will be held in the Canon Diamond Theatre for a prompt 6pm start.

Year 13 Leavers Ball

The Year 13 Leavers' Ball has been arranged for Thursday 6th July 2023 at The Village Hotel, Dolomite Avenue, Coventry Business Park, Coventry, CV4 9GZ. The event will begin at 7pm and end at midnight. Tickets for this event will cost £30 which will cover the cost of a buffet, decorations, security, gifts and the DJ. To make your payment of £30, please visit our online payment system. Payment can be made via School Gateway app. Please can you ensure all payments have been sent by 17.04.23.

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

Social Time Updates – Mr Wilson



With this term drawing to a close, it has been great to see so many students turn up for the inter tutor 5-a-side football. The students have shown incredible teamwork and sportsmanship and have turned up in their numbers to support and participate with one another. Keep up the amazing effort Newman!



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 – Mr Wilson

Extra Curricular Timetable – a new timetable will be issued for the Summer term



CNCS – Extracurricular Opportunities – Spring Term



Monday	Where	When?	Who?
Library Breakfast Club – All Years	Library	8:00-8:35am	Library Staff
Games Club	AYo8	Lunch	Anti-bullying Ambassadors
Drama Club	CDo4	Lunch	NWH
Manch Bunch Club (Invitation only)	SSU	Lunch	TAs
Study Area	Library	Lunch	Library Staff
Inter tutor competition – Year 7	BO15 (Spring 1) Sports Hall (Spring 2)	Lunch	SWN/6th From
Homework Club	Library	After school	TA's
Fitness suite	Fitness suite	After School	PE staff
Tuesday	Where	When?	Who?
Library Breakfast Club – All Years	Library	8:00-8:35am	Library Staff
Games Club	AYo8	Lunch	Anti-bullying Ambassadors
Trampoline Club	Gym	Lunch	PE staff
Badminton	Sports Hall	Lunch	PE staff
Study Area	Library	Lunch	Library Staff
STEM Club	DV15	Lunch	SHN
Manch Bunch Club (Invitation only)	SSU	Lunch	TAs
Inter tutor competition – Year 8	BO15 (Spring 1) Sports Hall (Spring 2)	Lunch	SWN/6th From
Foo club	LFo6	Lunch	RDS
Fitness suite	Fitness suite	After School	PE Staff
Girls football	PE	After school	PE staff
Homework Club	Library	After school	TA's
Wednesday	Where	When?	Who?
Library Breakfast Club – All Years	Library	8:00-8:35am	Library Staff
Games Club	AYo8	Lunch	Anti-bullying Ambassadors
Drama Club	CDo4	Lunch (Week A)	NWH
Origami Mania	AYo5	Lunch	AMY
Basketball	Sports hall	Lunch	PE staff
Study Area	Library	Lunch	Library Staff
Inter tutor competition – Year 9	BO15 (Spring 1) Sports Hall (Spring 2)	Lunch	SWN/6th From
Manch Bunch Club (Invitation only)	SSU	Lunch	TAs
Coding Club	LM13	After School (Week A)	LAR
Football	PE	After School	PE Staff
Newman in the Community	LFo6	After school	RDS
Homework Club	Library	After school	TA's
Matilda Rehearsals	CDo4/CDT	After school	NWH
Thursday	Where	When?	Who?
Library Breakfast Club – All Years	Library	8:00-8:35am	Library Staff
Choir	CDT	Lunch	SES
Games Club	AYo8	Lunch	Anti-bullying Ambassadors
Study Area	Library	Lunch	Library Staff
Manch Bunch Club (Invitation only)	SSU	Lunch	TAs
Inter tutor competition – Year 10	BO15 (Spring 1) Sports Hall (Spring 2)	Lunch	SWN/6th From
Girls Netball	PE	After School	PE Staff
Matilda Rehearsals	CDo4/CDT	After School	NWH
Rugby	PE	After School	PE Staff
Homework Club	Library	After school	TA's
Friday	Where	When?	Who?
Library Breakfast Club – All Years	Library	8:00-8:35am	Library Staff
Games Club	AYo8	Lunch	Anti-bullying Ambassadors
Drama Club	CDo4	Lunch (Week B)	NWH
Choir	CD14	Lunch	SES
Weight training (KS4)	Fitness suite	Lunch	PE staff
GCSE/BTEC PE catch up club	BO13	After school	PE staff



ENGLISH

The Wonderful World of English

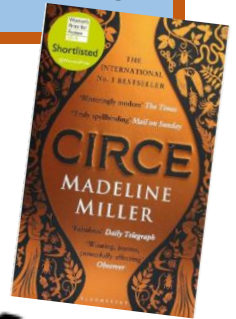
Word of the Week

Pedantic – being petty,
immature

**Can you use this in your
English lessons?**

Book Recommendation

Circe – Madeline Miller



Spotlight

2nd March 1904 - Dr.
Seuss's Birthday.

6th March 1806 – Elizabeth
Barratt Browning's Birthday

21st March – World Poetry
Day.

Quotation of the Week

"Don't let what
you cannot do
interfere with
what you can do"



ENGLISH



At CNCS, we celebrated World Book Day on Thursday 2nd March and it was fantastic to see so many pupils and staff involved! The English department turned gothic and Key Stage 3 classes took part in World Book Day themed lessons, and the Library hosted a number of quizzes and competitions. Years 7 and 8 tutor groups dressed their doors inspired by books and the winners of the competition were 7SJN and 8TGN!

Additionally, we had a number of staff dress up as various book characters which we invited all staff and students to vote for. The winner of BOTH the staff and student vote was... Ms Dynan! A huge congratulations to all of our winners! We hope that WBD reminds you of the importance and joy that can be found in reading!



Maths

Head of Departments Stars of the fortnight



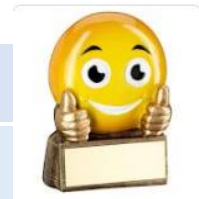
Year 7 – Ted White
Year 8 – Jakub Janczura
Year 9 – Josphe Mcgorisk
Year 10 – Lennon Lyoyd-Bailey
Year 11 – Zachary Cortez
Year 12 – Hannah Gibson
Year 13 – Thomas Sharman

UKMT Dates



UKMT Junior

Wednesday 26 April 2023



Coventry Maths Feast

On the 10th March here at Cardinal Newman we hosted a Maths Feast of local Coventry Schools. This is where schools from the region enter 4 person teams into a friendly maths competition. A fantastic well done to the students listed below in particular to Team A who were awarded a special prize for best teamwork!

Team A

Maille O'Toole
Amalson John
Aidan Ahearn
Thamizhini Jeyakanth

Team B

Borys Kolbusinski
Abigail Thompson
Marissa Scope
Holly Taylor

Mr Owen's Challenge Question!

Peter has three times as many sisters as brothers. His sister Louise has twice as many sisters as brothers. How many children are there in the family?

A 15

B 13

C 11

D 9

E 5

Send your answers to Mr Owen



Science

Support from The Worshipful Company of Glass Sellers of London Charity Fund

It is with great pleasure that we can announce we have been able to purchase a class set of Bioviewers and slides for The cell structure, Human blood slides, The Endocrine System slides , Photosynthesis and The virus. This is thought the generous financial support via the Glass in Society STEM Mini Project.

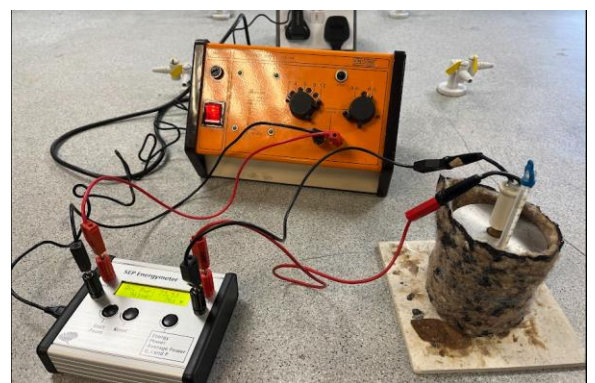


Support from The Ogden Trust

Making physics matter

The Joule meters have arrived! Thanks to some negotiation from Miss Holyman and Miss Thompson, we were able to buy a class set!

This will make the understanding of electrical power easier to master with real life examples being easy to measure.

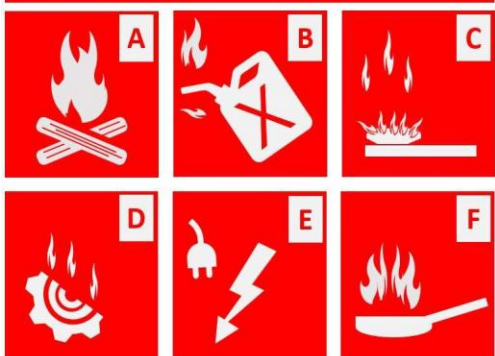


STEM

Sharing good practice



FIRE CLASSIFICATIONS



Fire is often used in Science; think about all the times you light a match or use a Bunsen Burner – but not all fires are planned!

Cardinal Newman have pioneered a hands-on resource to train staff and give them confidence to deal with unexpected small fires.

The training package was sent to CLEAPSS for consideration and checking as they are the organisation which watches over practical safety in science in schools. We are delighted to report that it was signed off as safe and useful with Matt Endean Deputy Director, of CLEAPSS adding: "This sort of training is very very rare in schools, and it was good to know it does occasionally happen."

Cardinal Newman has shared these resources with local schools.



HISTORY CHALLENGE

History Challenge Of The Week

Who said this?

"It is my conviction that killing under the cloak of war is nothing but an act of murder."

What happened on this day in the past

28 June 1919

Who is this?



Where is/was this historic location in Coventry?



History to watch



Send all entries to
rhys.davies@cncs.school



HISTORY STARS

Mrs Good

Year 7 – Colin Thomas

Year 8 – Nicola Kocanda

Year 9 – Niphona Dunston

Year 10 – Isabella Jackson

Year 11 – Ciara Bruton

Year 12 – Evan Debling

Year 13 – Leah Masih

Mr Davies

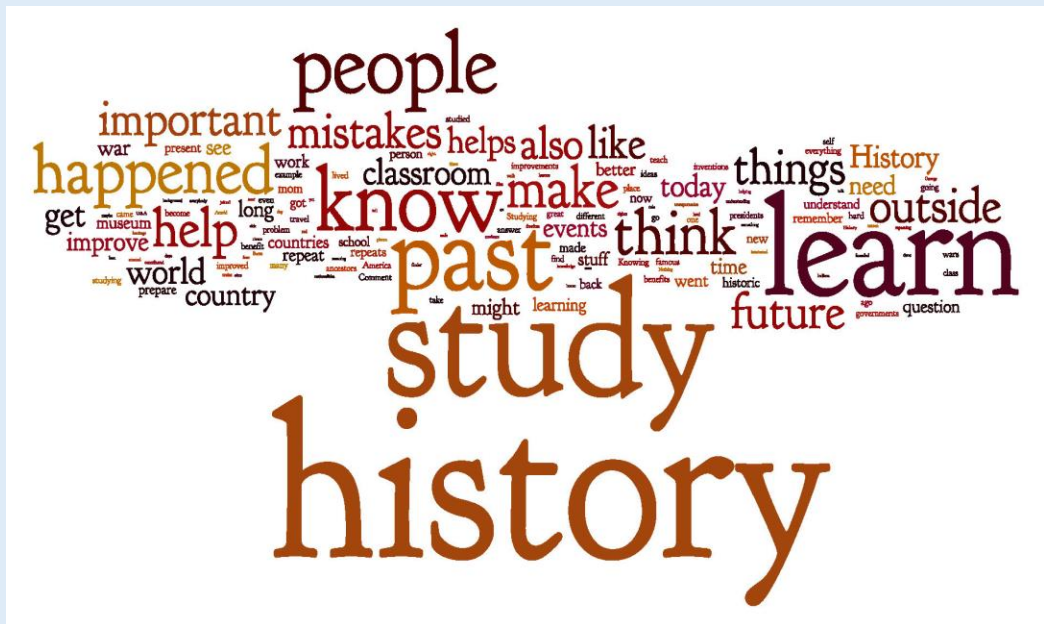
Year 7 – Maci Turner

Year 8 – Ava Hooker

Year 9 – Alicia Bracken

Year 10 – Dawid Singh

Year 11 – Noah Layfield



Mr Canning

Year 7 – Ted White

Year 8 – Eve Rodgers

Year 9 – Anne Robinson

Year 10 – Milosz Bieganski

Year 11 – Matthew Manwaring Baines

Year 12 – Ciera Nurse

Year 13 - Sam Griffin

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 Sportshall) Fitness Suite (After school - 4pm) Girls Football—All Years (After school—4pm)
WEDNESDAY	Basketball club – (Lunchtime Sportshall) 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)



DRAMA

CARDINAL NEWMAN
THEATRE COMPANY

WE WANT YOU!

STUDENT PRODUCTION CREW

LIGHTING, SOUND,
COSTUME, PROPS,
STAGE & SET

ARE YOU MORE OF A
BACKSTAGE PERSON THAN ON
STAGE? IF SO, WE WANT YOU!
SPEAK TO MR WALSH IN CD04
FOR MORE DETAILS!



DRAMA



Cardinal Newman Theatre Company's annual whole school musical is well under way. Rehearsals for this year's production of Matilda Jr are going great!

We as the Production Team are looking to recruit a Student Production Crew – if you enjoy drama & theatre but are more of a behind the scenes person, then WE WANT YOU!

This is for you if you want to know how a full production is put on and learn more about the

Design Elements

- *Staging & Set*
- *Costume & Props*
 - *Lighting*
 - *Sound*

If you would like more details on the role(s) and how to apply for the Student Production Crew, then see Mr Walsh in CD04 at break and/or lunch.



SEND Information

Spring Term Events at CNCS

Year 11 Take Away Evening – Thursday 23rd March

Students identified with SEN were provided with a supportive pack to help their revision.

Year 9 Parents' Evening – Thursday 30th March

Parents were given the opportunity to meet a member of the SEND team to update learning plans and discuss any concerns.

Parent Packs

Parent packs containing learning plans and our SEND Information report will be posted out shortly. Please review these with your children and notify us of any updates.

<https://www.cncs.school/attachments/download.asp?file=853&type=pdf>

Spring Term Events Locally

SENDIASS Coffee Morning for Parents/Carers of Children or Young People with SEND.

Does your child or young person have Special Needs?

How are you doing?

Would you like to chat with other parents/carers who might be in a similar situation?

Free tea and coffee will be provided.

Venue: Metropolis Restaurant, Upstairs Community Room, Earl Street, Coventry, CV1 5RU

Contact us by email: iass@coventry.gov.uk or Tel: 024 7669 4307 to let us know you'll be joining us :)

Date: 28th March 2023.

Location: Metropolis Restaurant Earl Street Coventry CV1 5RU

Cost: FREE

Time: 10:00 - 12:00



CARER'S RIGHTS 2023

Tuesday
4th April
6pm

You are invited to an online viewing of Warwick Law's new Carer's Rights information film.

Students and staff from Warwick Law have been working on a new public information video to promote a better understanding of the law around carer's rights.

As parents of young people with send who are transitioning to adulthood they have invited you to join them on a Zoom meeting to watch the video and offer feedback and ask questions about the information given.

This is an excellent opportunity for you to have input into a resource that will help parents and carers throughout Coventry in a time where the cost of living crisis is putting families under pressure in a variety of ways.

To join the meeting use this Zoom link:

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/81344993006?pwd=Z1gyL09iZ1Q0U3RWSHhOQLZmU0xzQT09>
Or join with the following: Meeting ID: 813 4499
3006 Passcode: 801597



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

SEND Information



Period: 2022 to 2023
Courses for Parents and
those Caring for Children



Courses available online – via Zoom
Understanding Emotional Regulation in School Aged Children – 1 session – Saturday 4 th February 2023, 2:30pm to 4:30pm
Understanding Low Mood in Children and Young People – 1 session – Thursday 30 th March 2023, 10am to 12pm
Understanding and Supporting Children Aged 3-11 Years with Anxiety – 1 session – Monday 8 th May 2023, 10am to 12pm
Understanding Sensory Needs in School Aged Children – 1 session – Saturday 13 th May 2023, 9am to 11pm (Saturday course)
Understanding Low Mood in Children and Young People – 1 session – Saturday 13 th May 2023, 12pm to 2pm (Saturday course)
Understanding Self-esteem in Children and Young People – 1 session – Saturday 13 th May 2023, 2:30pm to 4:30pm (Saturday course)
Understanding and Supporting Children Aged 12+ Years with Anxiety – 1 session – Thursday 18 th May 2023, 12:30pm to 2:30pm
Understanding Emotional Regulation in School Aged Children – 1 session – Wednesday 24 th May 2023, 12:30pm to 2:30pm
Understanding and Supporting Children and Young People with Emotionally Based School Avoidance – 1 session – Friday 9 th June 2023, 10am to 12pm
Understanding Self-esteem in Children and Young People – 1 session – Monday 12 th June 2023, 12:30pm to 2:30pm
Understanding and Supporting School Aged Children Who Self-harm – 1 session – Thursday 22 nd June 2023, 10am to 12pm
Understanding Sensory Needs in School Aged Children – 1 session – Friday 30 th June 2023, 10am to 12pm
Understanding Low Mood in Children and Young People – 1 session – Monday 3 rd July 2023, 12:30pm to 2:30pm

Our Academy is not a School, College or Academy in the traditional sense of the word, you don't need to be academically minded to attend and there are no tests, exams or assessments. The Academy delivers a learning approach to personal recovery and wellbeing that is offered by a partnership of organisations across Coventry and Warwickshire. We offer a wide range of FREE courses and workshops designed to empower you to become an expert in your own recovery and wellbeing.

For course descriptions and to enrol, please see website below:

Online registration:

Visit: <https://www.recoveryandwellbeing.co.uk/>

Email: Recovery.Academy@covwarkpt.nhs.uk

Call: 0300 303 2626



SEND Information



ASD/ADHD

Many of our children have a diagnosis or are on the pathway for assessment. Heather Moran from Coventry and Warwickshire RISE talks about Autism and ADHD Difficulties in Children and how these can be supported by parents.

ASD and social communications

Children with a diagnosis often have difficulties with language and social communication. Clara McDonald talks about Children's Speech & Language Therapy in the Neurodevelopmental Service



SEND Information

Please use this link to access the school SEND information report: [SEND Information Report](#). Use the information below to find n access help for a range of concerns.

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

Curriculum Information

The school website provides valuable information for students with SEND. Use this link to find clear breakdowns for each subject and year group that can help your child know what is coming next through Curriculum Overviews and visual learning journeys.

[Curriculum Information](#)





During our PSHE lessons this half-term, students have been taught topics around the theme of 'relationships'. This is a core theme of the PSHE curriculum, which coincides with our 'Relationships and Sex Health Education' that is delivered within the students RE lessons throughout the academic year.

TOP TIPS FOR BUILDING HEALTHY RELATIONSHIPS:

1. Get to know yourself
2. Put in the work – needs commitment
3. Set and respect boundaries
4. Talk and listen
5. Let go of control
6. Reflect and learn



<https://www.mentalhealth.org.uk/our-work/public-engagement/healthy-relationships/top-tips-building-and-maintaining-healthy-relationships>

Other useful websites for support/guidance:

<https://www.nspcc.org.uk/keeping-children-safe/sex-relationships/healthy-relationships/>

<https://www.childline.org.uk/info-advice/friends-relationships-sex/sex-relationships/healthy-unhealthy-relationships/>

Please follow our school PSHE twitter page for any top tips, parents/carers guidance - @Newman_PSHE



CAREERS

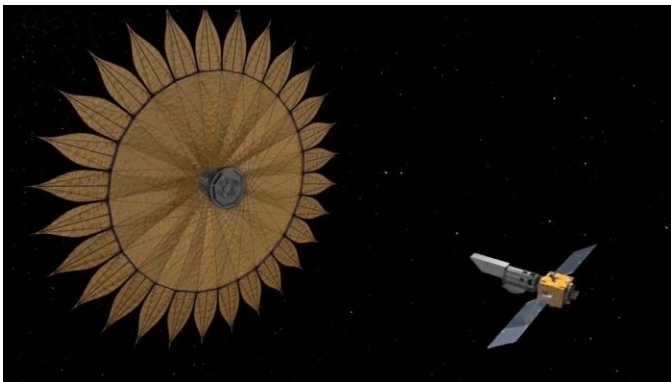
STEM at Coventry University. What a day we had with a group from Year 9 who took a trip to Coventry University this month! As its time to make option choices, it's time to think seriously about what you may want to do as a Career.

We had the chance to look around the Engineering Faculty which has a Harrier Jet cockpit for students to study as well as Aircraft Simulators.



We created paper jumping frogs by using origami methods!

You may wonder what has Origami got to do with STEM but when NASA are creating future Spacecraft they use the folding principle first on paper and then can see how that principal can work on thin metal. It was so interesting! Our group were fascinated. Look it up for yourselves – ask Google "How NASA engineers use Origami to design future Spacecraft"



We had an awesome time!



CAREERS

The logo for Jobcentreplus, featuring the word 'jobcentreplus' in a lowercase, sans-serif font. 'job' and 'plus' are in white, while 'centre' is in yellow. The logo is set against a green rounded rectangular background.

Careers

Year 11 to Year 13

If you are looking for an Apprenticeship, Miss Brennan is now being sent local live vacancies that come into Jobcentre Plus and are also live on the

Governments 'Find an apprenticeship' website.

Students can come to CA07 to find out more and gather information to research and apply.

The vacancy list is updated weekly.

<https://www.gov.uk/apply-apprenticeship>



Year 12/13.

Miss Brennan will also leave a copy with the Sixth Form Team.



