

*Cardinal Newman Catholic School*

# e-Bulletin

*Welcome to the weekly e-Bulletin, highlighting forthcoming events and school news. For further information about news & forthcoming events please visit our website [www.cardinalnewmanschool.net](http://www.cardinalnewmanschool.net)*



*"Together towards our Lord,  
through learning,  
love and faith"*

25 November 2022

Dear parents and carers,

This Sunday sees the beginning of Advent. St John Henry Newman included this wonderful quote about Advent in one of his many sermons.

"Year passes after year silently,  
Christ's coming is ever nearer than it was.  
O that, as He comes nearer earth,  
we may approach nearer heaven!"

The Advent season is about preparing, waiting, praying and maybe being silent. As we embark on this season, please find time to delight in the wonder of the season and the preparation for Christ's coming at Christmas. At school we will be doing a number of charitable acts to think of others. We will have prayer times, Assemblies and tutor times focussing on Advent. Let's not rush into Christmas without enjoying Advent! Below are a number of messages and celebrations.

### **CNS Giving Tree**

With the beginning of Advent this Sunday the RE department wanted to do something very practical to help others. The R.E. Department is organising the '**Giving Tree**' project. There is a Christmas tree **upstairs in Littlemore House** with gift tags on it. Each tag has details of an item that will be of value to someone in need. You take a tag, buy and wrap the item, then stick the tag on the item and put it under the Christmas tree. These gifts will be going to a number of charities in Luton, including, Noah, Luton Foodbank, Stepping Stones and Caritas. I have attached a flyer explaining how it will work. Thank you in advance!

### **Bronze Awards**

Congratulations to Malachy, Joseph, Angelus, Mario-Andrei, Sadie, Evie and Kosi who are the first students this year to receive their Bronze Awards for receiving 200 achievement points already this year. Well done! There are many more who are well on their way to receiving this award over the coming days and weeks. It is wonderful to be able to celebrate this achievement with them. They will have all received their badges and certificates from their tutor this week.

### **Sporting Results this week**

#### **Indoor athletics**

Year 7 girls finished 2<sup>nd</sup>

Year 7 boys finished 6<sup>th</sup>

Year 8 girls finished 2<sup>nd</sup>

Year 8 boys finished 6<sup>th</sup>

Year 8, 9 and U16 girls all won their netball games against Stopsley

Year 7 girls netball won 10-1 against Icknield

Year 8 boys basketball won 30-18 against Challney Boys

Year 9/10 girls Futsal finished 1<sup>st</sup> in the Luton Futsal tournament.

Congratulations to all the students involved!

### **Christmas Lunch**

You will have received the information regarding the student Christmas Lunch for the last week of term on Wednesday of this week. Please note that the deadline for ensuring that your child gets the Christmas Lunch is 4<sup>th</sup> December.

### **Our Curriculum**

If you want to know what your child is studying in each year please [click here](#).

### **Parent Survey**

Please follow [this link](#) for a survey about your child's experience at school. If you would like to complete this the deadline is Friday 2<sup>nd</sup> December at 12pm.

### **School Day Consultation**

In March 2022 the government made it clear that by September 2023 at the latest, all state-funded, mainstream schools will be expected to provide a compulsory school week of at least 32.5 hours. We currently run on 31 hours and 15 minutes. We need to increase our provision by 1 hour and 15 minutes per week. If you would like to contribute to this consultation please follow [this link](#). The deadline is Friday 2<sup>nd</sup> December.

### **Dinner money**

There are a number of students who owe money to the canteen after having gone into debt. Our philosophy at CNS is that no child should go hungry during the day so we have always allowed a small amount of debt whilst parents top up their accounts. From Monday 28<sup>th</sup> November all accounts will be capped at £10 debt. Please do check your child's account and top it up where necessary.

Thank you for your continued support for all we do at the school. Monday afternoon was a great day of celebration as the whole school watched the second half of the England match. Fingers crossed that they can have a repeat of the great performance today against the USA! We are all very much looking forward to celebrating Advent together as we prepare for Christmas.

God bless,

Andrew Bull  
Headteacher

### **Week beginning 28<sup>th</sup> November**

<i>This is Week 1 on the timetable</i>	
<b>Monday 28<sup>th</sup> November</b>	Year 11 Exams Year 12 WTM in lessons
<b>Tuesday 29<sup>th</sup> November</b>	Year 11 Exams Year 12 WTM in lessons Year 7 Boys Basketball v Challney (Home) Year 9 Boys Basketball v Leamanor (away) KS3 Film Club Japanese Club
<b>Wednesday 30<sup>th</sup> November</b>	Year 11 Exams Year 12 WTM in lessons Bake Off Club (7,8,9, and 10) Table top club Year 7 Boys Basketball Home vs Lealands
<b>Thursday 1<sup>st</sup> December</b>	Year 11 Exams Year 12 WTM in lessons Year 8 Netball vs CHSG (home)
<b>Friday 2<sup>nd</sup> December</b>	Year 11 Exams Year 12 WTM in lessons Friday Forum Boccia Competition (am) Friday Night Detention