



19th May 2023

Dear parents and carers,

On Thursday of this week we celebrated the feast of the Ascension. This feast is where we celebrate Jesus 'ascending' to heaven, returning to his father. Traditionally this is the beginning of 10 days of prayer for the outpouring of the Holy Spirit, at Pentecost. St John Henry Newman wrote a beautifully about this feast and reflected that this was not the completion of God's work on Earth but actually just the beginning of what he wanted to achieve in us his people. Please do celebrate this great feast by praying the prayer below written by Diana Sutherland from CAFOD:

Lord Jesus, you became man and came to live among us. For love of us, you suffered and died for us. Because you are God, you conquered death and rose on the third day. Today you return to your Father and our Father, But you promised to remain with us till the end of time, And to send us the Holy Spirit. We rejoice and thank you, Lord Jesus. Come Holy Spirit, purify and transform us, Kindle within us the fire of your love.
Amen

Following the uniform consultation that was undertaken SLT have looked at all the responses and the two proposals that come out from this are below. Whilst conducting this consultation we have considered the statutory guidance from the Department for Education on uniform.

We have consulted with pupils in the first instance and then parents and staff and following this consultation have determined the following two proposals that we would like parents' and staff opinions on.

From those surveyed, it was clear that students and parents wanted Year 11 to look distinctively different with a grey jumper so their uniform would remain the same.

Proposal 1: All pupils (boys and girls) wearing blazers and ties (jumpers remain optional), all other uniform stays the same.

| Advantages | Disadvantages |
|--|---|
| Same expectations for all pupils, regardless of gender. | Adds cost to families of girls that is not there currently. |
| Can tell year groups apart in corridors (year group ties). | More expensive (blazer is most expensive item) |

| | |
|---|---|
| Blazers have pockets. | Adds conflict in corridors when students do not wear blazers. |
| Same costs for families with boys as girls. | Student surveys say that blazers are uncomfortable. |
| | Parents mention difficulty in washing/drying blazers. |
| | Different uniforms in transition phase (would only start with Year 7) |

Proposal 2: All pupils (boys and girls) wearing jumpers and ties (no blazers)

| Advantages | Disadvantages |
|--|--|
| Same expectations for all pupils, regardless of gender. | Some boys do like wearing blazers to store equipment. |
| Reduces cost for all families in our school. | Boys sometimes wear blazer instead of a coat (additional expense of a school coat). |
| Same costs for families with boys as girls. | Changing tradition of boys wearing blazers at CNS. |
| It is what the majority of students, who responded to the survey, say they want. | Concern in standard in appearance because possibly blazers look smarter than just jumpers. |
| No need for different uniforms in transition phase (change for all year groups at the same time) | |
| Can tell year groups apart in corridors (year group ties). | |

In order to respond to this final part of the consultation please submit your response using this [link](#), by Friday 26th May, 2023.

Congratulations to all the following students for receiving awards for the number of achievement points received over the last weeks. Well done!

Silver

Year 7 - Sharon, Nikola, Chanelle, Vita, Success, Ruairi, Ziah, Niamh, Jakub, Dylan, Evie, Nicola, Brandon, Ryan, William, Shayne, Naomi, Julia, Ysabelle, Tess, Alice, Arjun.

Year 8 - Pamela, Menorah, Jack, Natalia, Zakariya, Julia, Coby, Kevin, Jaiden, Ria, Melissa, Kamil, Frankie, Madi-Benita, Alicja, Gabriel, Lukas, Sheena, Rhema, Munashe, Annis, Adam, Zuzanna, Lauren, Daniel, Kai, Mary, Natalia, Sara, Noah. **Year 9** - Lucia, Grace, Iqra, Sherie, David, Paulina, Szilard, Christian, Benjamin, Harpreet, Cody, Francis, Gabriella, Katleen, Srishti, Franklin, Tristan, Michael, Tia, Laine, Maja. **Year 10** - Robert, Evelyn, Rita, Ethan, Mofeoluwa. **Year 11** - Soromtochi and Vaughn

Gold

Year 7 – Jerry, John, Cillian, Daniel, Connor, Daniel. **Year 8** – Varshika, Sadie. **Year 9** – Agnes, Adana, Kosi



Welcome to the weekly e-Bulletin, highlighting forthcoming events and school news. For further information visit the school website www.cardinalnewmanschool.net or @cnsluton on Instagram and Twitter

Platinum

Ariana (yr7), Joseph (Yr10), Malachy (Yr10)

This coming week is our last week before half term and with the GCSE and A-Level exams having started this is one of the busiest in terms of exams. Please do keep all the students in your prayers during this time that they can remember everything that they have been taught and revised. Year 11 will have their final assembly on Thursday afternoon.

Have a blessed and restful weekend.

Andrew Bull
Headteacher

Uniform Consultation – Final

Please follow this link <https://forms.office.com/e/j01uvE2Xvy> to complete the final part of the uniform consultation.

Nearly new uniform

If any family is willing to donate any uniform to the school could they please bring it into reception. WE have a real need for smaller size skirts, smaller jumpers and shirt.

Gates

Please do continue to follow the instructions as displayed when approaching the new gates.

CNS Prayer Journey

Once again here is the [link](#) for those of you that wish to journey, in prayer, alongside the school during the coming week.

Social Media channels

Please do follow us on Twitter and Instagram to see and hear news as it comes from the many activities that the students participate in regularly. They are a real place of celebration! Both can be found as @cnsluton

Cardinal Newman Catholic School, Reunion for Class of 1976:

On Saturday 3rd June 2023, 7pm - 12pm, at St Margaret's of Scotland Social Club, 20a Bolingbroke Road, Luton, LU1 5JD. For further details please contact Mary Cleary on 07882 397167 or John Kelly via johnkellyCNS@gmail.com

Safeguarding at CNS

The safeguarding section of the school website is updated regularly and includes a lot of helpful information around current challenges and how we manage safeguarding at Cardinal Newman. We also have our key contacts on this page. To access this please follow this [link](#).

Week beginning 22nd May

This is Week 1 on the timetable

| | |
|--------------------------------------|---|
| Monday 15th May | GCSE and A-level Exams |
| Tuesday 16th May | GCSE and A-level Exams Girls Year 7 & Year 8 Rounder |
| Wednesday 17th May | GCSE and A-level Exams Year 8 Retreat Day (half year group) Silver DofE Practice Expedition Boys Year 7 & Year 8 Cricket |
| Thursday 18th May | GCSE and A-level Exams Year 8 Retreat Day (half year group) Y7 Icon Workshop Silver DofE Practice Expedition |
| Friday 19th May | GCSE and A-level Exams Silver DofE Practice Expedition Friday Forum Friday Night Detention |



The Ascension of Jesus - Giotto.