

# NEWS

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### A message from Mr Bull, Headteacher

As I sit here looking out at the school reception basking in the sunshine, it's hard to believe the year that has just gone by.

We have remained 'on edge' around COVID and thankfully this hasn't been a huge factor in the day-to-day running of the school year. Who would have thought that we would then be contending with an unprecedented heat wave that Luton is the epi-centre of! Despite challenges, the school is very much returning to normal and when we get to September I hope that our return to normal includes all the enriched curriculum activities, sports, performances, trips and get togethers that make our school so special.

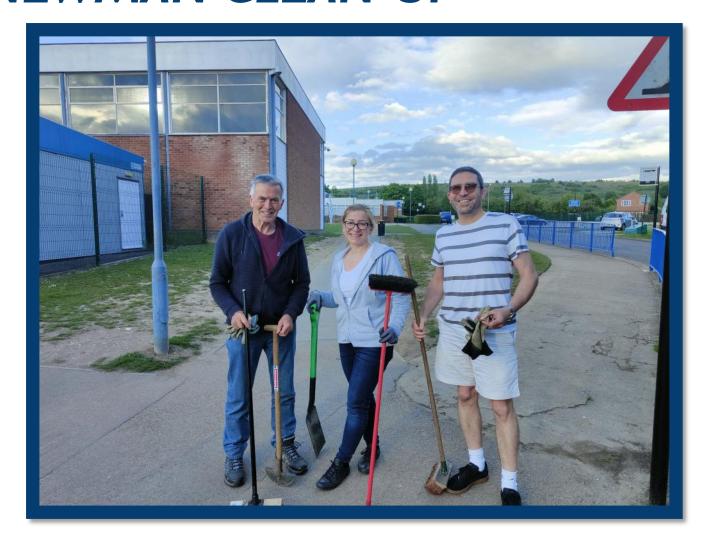
I will keep you all in my prayers during the summer holidays and can't wait for the new academic year to begin in September.

Please do enjoy this issue of Newman News and have an enjoyable and restful summer!





### **NEWMAN CLEAN-UP**



On the evening of Friday 20<sup>th</sup> May a handful of parents, staff and governors took up their shovels, brooms and gardening tools and set about tidying up the front of the school. The drive has never looked so clear and the edges of the grass verges have never been straighter!

### Thank you to all those that participated. We will go again in the Autumn!

Mr Bull Headteacher

# CHaplaincy

#### **NEWMAN DAY**

Masses with Monsignor Kevin, Fr Simon and Brendan and a picnic on the field.

Jane Porter









# CHaplaincy



Thanks and congratulations to Antonina Blukacz in Year 10 who painted this beautiful image of St Brigid for our new St Brigid's Centre.

Dr Businge presented Antonina with a gift from the SEND Department at the recent Year 10 Mass in recognition of her talent and the time she spent creating this wonderful piece of art which is now on display.

Jane Porter



# CHablaincy

Year 9 Retreat Days













## ARart & Design Exhibition & CESIGN

We held our first CNS Art and Design department exhibition. Celebrating the hard work and talent of our students in KS3, KS4 and KS5. It was wonderful to see so many students, parents and staff walking around the exhibition.

Thank you to the Site Team for their support, our brilliant Technicians as well as our dedicated Art and Design staff for their time and effort.

\*\*Mrs Bignall\*\*













ARart & designs





## ARart & designs



A celebration of our KS3 Art Club that started as an after school club in October and has continued every Tuesday throughout the year. What a dedicated bunch of artists we have. Here is a small selection of the work they have completed this year. Thank to Ms Farnham for running the after-school club.

The Art and Design Department











Another eventful year in the English department with students opening their minds to the likes of Shelley's monstrous concoctions in Frankenstein (who is the real monster?) or realising Shakespeare's Romeo and Juliet isn't just a romance and actually features more fountains of blood than you can shake a blade at! Whilst the students' exploration of the curriculum continues there is lots going on outside the bounds of their timetable...

### **World Book**

As tradition now dictates, the students and staff threw themselves into our Newman celebration of World Book Day in March. This year included the fancy dress theme of Fairytales where the teachers outdid themselves with their creative costumes. The students enjoyed a number of activities throughout the day, including 'Where's William?' spotting Shakespeare reading various tomes across the school, as well as being read to at break and lunchtime in the canteen. Lots of classes attempted the notoriously challenging WBD Quiz and in English lessons students explored the characters we love to hate: the villains! It was a memorable day all round and a fantastic opportunity to come together as a school community to celebrate our love of reading.

### Poetry by

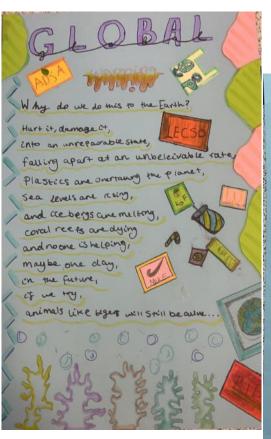
Poetry by Heart is a national poetry speaking competition for schools and colleges in England. It's also a website for teaching and learning about poetry – by heart and out loud, and with plenty of choice for young people to explore poems and find the ones they love. In the national Poetry by Heart competition young people aged from 7-18 choose poems they love, learn them by heart and perform them in a school or college performance event.

Mrs. Nicholls did a fantastic job organising the event and was joined by Miss. Dowdeswell and Mr. Garvey as judges, with Miss. Fealy and Ms. Pratten in the audience cheering the students on! It was fierce competition and humbling to see so many of our students perform their rehearsed poems with skill and passion. All of the teachers were in awe of the standard of talent in this year's competition. A huge congratulations to our winner, Melissa Achkar and runner up, Alicja Nowacka – you were both phenomenal!

## CREATIVE Writing ING

We have had lots of opportunities for creative writing across the year, here are some that are not only creatively written but creatively presented as well...

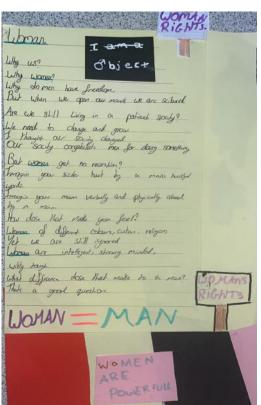


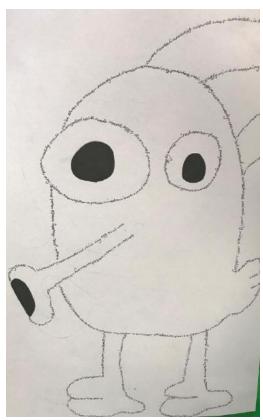












## SP Spelling bee E

There was a real buzz in the department this year as Miss Oketunji organised our first Spelling Bee competition to challenge our year 7 students' literacy. The students meant bees-ness entering the competition and impressed their English teachers with their bee-witching skills. The winning student from each year 7 class went forward to compete in the final, no one wanted to fall bee-hind! It looked like some of the students were going to be un-bee-table but as the

#### Congratulations to our podium spellers:

- Ist place Muhammad Adnan 7V
- 2nd place Anthonia Tybus 7H
- 3rd place Dominic Hachula 7A

Now, you'd better bee-lieve hive had enough of these bee puns, so we'll move on...



# G Egeography Y

At the beginning of June, the GCSE Geographers headed out to Sheringham in Norfolk for the first Geography Fieldtrip in nearly 3 years. Following a very early start at 6am, we headed off on our 'short' coach journey of just 3 hours!!!

We spent the morning on the beach, examining the sediment build-up along the groynes to see how effective this coastal management was at stopping the process of longshore drift. After a short break eating fish & chips, pizza and then ice cream, the afternoon was then spent in the town completing a land-use survey mapping evidence of tourism. The journey home was punctuated by the usual stop at the 'Golden

Arches' for some chicken nuggets, a McFlurry and a Big Mac. Yes...more food!

We had a lovely couple of days and thankfully, the weather held out. The students were an absolute pleasure to take away, they worked hard and completed all tasks diligently and with respect for the passing public who took great interest in what they were doing. Thank you to all the students and staff who attended. Special thanks to Mrs. Chauhan for her meticulous planning and organisation.

Ms. Thoulass & Mrs. Archer

## M Amathematics S

A huge congratulations to the following students who have been nominated for Student of the Year in Maths. They have been nominated by their teachers for showing perseverance, dedication and being an excellent role model in the class. They have worked hard all year and are being rewarded for their efforts.

#### Year 7

Johanna Abissi 7W
Isolina Forni 7W
Anna Solomon 7W
Nathan Itiose 7A
Joseph Spio- Bosu 7He
Angelo Jan Kalinowski 7W
Alicja Nowacka 7G
Mellisa Achkar 7He
Georgia Micelli 7Gr
Natalia Smigielska 7G
Joseph Spio-Bosu 7He

#### Year 8

Agnes Jijo 8H
Connor Janes 8A
Jasmine Tadd 8W
Kosi Edozie 8M
Samantha Bushi 8V
Cayden Shore 8He
Evie Warren 8He
Harpreet Chounkria 8He
Jessica Butler 8He
Madeline Kelly 8Gr
Alfie Larkin 8He

#### Year 9

Patrick Bradley 9W
Jodecy ZUNGUZA 9H
Esther Degui 9V
Edward Afriyie 9H
Evie Duffy 9M
Joshua Abissi 9G
Leticia Santana 9He
Joel Jose 9G
Nicol Tomaszewska 9GR
Shannon Tong 9HE

#### Year 10

Sophie McCarthy 10W
Alan Wandachowicks 10V
Katie Simmons 10H
Andrea Kedziora 10H
Daniel Emenogu 10H
Caitlin Cahill 10He
Bernice Kwesele 10Gr
Sophia Viloria 10G
Casey Fontenelle 10HU

#### Year 12

Adnan GHANSAR 12STPK Sumaiya BOSHAR 12STLO Enzo GARCIA 12STPK Myles Griffiths 12STCE

Mr Hussain

# HISTORY

Well done to all of our Year 7 historians! Once again, our students have carried out some outstanding research and made some fantastic castles. The history department never cease to be impressed by our student's creativity and ingenuity in creating and presenting their model castles. Choosing the winners is always a difficult task as there are so many worthy winners.

This year our winners include Angelo Kalinowski, Alicja Nowacka, Jaiden Talbert, Niamh Chezoy, Sean Barry, Tanaka Byukumbwe-Khombe.

Year 9 historians produced some wonderful trenches for the Trench competition this year. It was a pleasure to

listen to the presentations and hear all about their deepened understanding of the nature of trench warfare during World War I.

Some of our winners this year included Naomi Desir, Nicola Cendrowska and Klaudia Szewc, Elias Girzadas, Nicole Poplawska, Caitlin Gray, Ella Ruocco, Olivia Winsley and Luigi Kidman, Jasmine Patrick.

Very well done!
The History Department









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This term has been a busy one here in Sixth Form. The students came back from half term to revision week in prep for their end of year exams the following week. Our students worked hard and did themselves proud with only 2 students missing their exams!

After all that effort the students enjoyed a well-deserved week of activities. We went to the UCAS Discovery event held at the University of Bedfordshire where the students had an opportunity the find out about courses, University life and talk to a wide variety of visiting Uni representatives.

On the Tuesday was our carousel day. In response to our N6th Chamber we tailored the day to tackle topics of interest including Mental Health, Politics, Entrepreneurship and University Life. This was followed by a day of Rounders, 5 a side Football and Ice cream.

Thursday was team building day. SSG Activities ran a fantastic day of fun including Rock Climbing, Archery and an Inflatable obstacle course. It was so awesome that Mr Bull had to give it a go!

Finally, Friday was our trip to Thorpe park. Those who chose to come had a great day of adrenaline, high speeds and wondering which way was up.

On the 6<sup>th</sup> of July we were fortunate to have a few alumni students visit and give an assembly about their post Newman lives and pathways into further education. The year 12's then received their EOY results followed by an assembly on Hope by Miss Blackbird. As a Sixth Form we hope that the students will see this as a starting point and as a springboard to do even better in Year 13.

A special shout out to Ayisha Kollenchery who received an award for virtual Work completing her NHS experience as well as Emily Brown who the List Foundation received Reading scholarship exceptional for being an hardworking student.

## PHY physical Education ON

#### **Sports Awards Evening**

As the summer term draws to a close, it was fantastic to reflect on all of the sporting success that students have had at Cardinal Newman throughout the year at the Sports Awards Evening on Wednesday 6<sup>th</sup> July. With our Sports Personality of the year awards going to Natalie M & Michee K in year 11, well done to all who have attended a club and represented the school in a fixture this year!

#### **Athletics**

Cardinal Newman competed well in the Luton Schools Athletics Cup competition this year, with the Year 7 team winning their competition. Results from the athletics cup resulted in students from CNS qualifying for the County competition, with several students just missing out on English Schools qualification!

For the first time in 3 years, Town Sports was held on Friday I<sup>st</sup> July, with Cardinal Newman taking a team of over 50 students from years 7-11. A massive well done to our year 9 girls who competed in the year 10/11 competition in order to fulfil a team, some of whom won their events! Overall CNS finished 2<sup>nd</sup>, with the year 8/9 boys team winning their age group competition. Well done to all involved!

#### Rounders

Girls rounders has also been back this summer, with fixtures in years 7,8 & 9, with rounders club very well attended, the girls played some competitive fixtures against teams from all over Luton and improved game on game. Well done girls!







### NEWMAN NEWS

### YEAR 7 CAMPING

On Friday 24<sup>th</sup> June, some of the Year 7 students enjoyed a wonderful outdoor camping experience provided by, 'Adventures Into, a local company specialising in onsite residential camps for schools.

They began their evening by putting up their own tents, a new experience for many, before enjoying the various activities that were set up around the school field.

Students took part in archery sessions, fire lighting, toasting treats on an open flame as well as the 'Fantastic Mr Fox' game which proved to be a favourite! The game involved working in teams to discover the fox facts that had been posted around the field, but they couldn't spend too long at any given point as the teachers were all there, as the farmers, armed with water pistols! This proved to be a very popular game for all and resulted in lots of laughter, and exercise!

Everyone then tucked into pizzas followed by toasting S'mores on the camp stove which was a new taste sensation for many! Everyone slept well and were then up with the sun bright and early to take part in a 'Bush Tucker Trial' before breakfast! Many of the students were brave enough to try the insects that were on offer, the staff were not! They were all fantastic with helping to pack away and were full of stories as their parents picked them up.

The staff from 'Adventures Into' were so impressed with all the Year 7's and commented on how polite, fun, and engaged they were throughout the camp and said they were a credit to our school. We were incredibly proud of them and were so pleased that they got so much from the experience and had lots of fun!

Mrs McHugh





### Join the Wildlife Trust's Youth Rangers!

Taster session Friday 29th July – 10am- 1pm at Bradgers Hill, Bushmead

#### ARE YOU:



- 13-18 years old? (13-21 if SEND)
- Looking to learn new skills?
- · Living in Luton, and enjoy exploring the area?
- Keen to work with others to improve natural spaces across the town?
- · Looking to make new friends?
- Interested in conservation and wildlife?



Then come and join us for a taster session on Friday 29th July at Bradgers Hill, Bushmead

#### Location:

Meet at the Bushmead Community Hub, Hancock Drive, LU2 7SF

Tasks include cutting back overgrown paths, fixing steps, planting and watering trees

Future dates are Sat 10th Sept and Monday 24th October

Tools, drinks and safety equipment provided.

To book a place or for further information please contact:

matt.sutcliffe@wildlifebcn.org or 07874895633

wildlifebcn.org/bradgers-hill-wilder-futures
facebook.com/groups/wildlifetrustinbedfordsh











Over the summer we will be running fun sessions in the parks, providing activites such as, sports, Boxing Saves Lives, arts and crafts.

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FROM 25TH JULY TO 26TH AUGUST

Mondays - Kingsway Park
Tuedays - Brantwood Park
Thursdays - Farley Hill
Castlecroft Park
Fridays - Manor Park
ALL SESSIONS ARE 4PM - 7PM

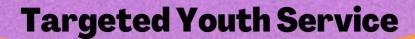


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## Come join us at





Calling all 10-18 year olds and their families.

Parents come meet local services who can support your needs.



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When - Wednesday's
3rd August
10th Auguest
17th August
24th August

All session's are 3.30pm - 6.30pm

Stopsley Baptist Church St Thomas' Road

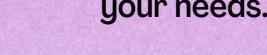


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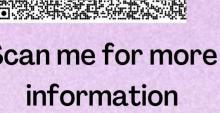


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When - Thursday's

4th August 11th Auguest 18th August 25th August

All session's are 3.30pm - 6.30pm

Central Baptist Church, Park Street

