

Cardinal Pole Catholic School

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Service Opportunity Aspiration Reward

24th April 2024

Dear Parents/Carers

I hope you all had a relaxing Easter, there was a great response to our charity events and collections with the Easter Egg raffle and the FIFA tournament raising several hundred pounds. Additionally, we collected 217 pieces of clothing and 145 food items for the relative Banks. Thank you for all your contributions, they are much appreciated.

It has already been a very busy first two weeks back, with the school preparing for the start of our Summer 2024 examinations which takes place in just 10 days' time. Saturday morning interventions continue for selected Year 11 and 13 students, and the Saturday morning study space also continues to be available to students preparing for public exams.

<u>New Menu:</u> We have recently appointed a new Executive Chef and upon our return from the Easter break, he launched a set of new menus for our students. Please see the link <u>here</u> to the new menus for your information. The canteen has also received new branding and modernisation and is now known as the Cardinal Pole Kitchen. We look forward to receiving feedback from the students on the new menu.

<u>Uniform - Summer Term</u>: A school uniform provides consistency when it comes to expectation for students and avoids unnecessary and unfair competition/peer pressure. So, as the weather improves I thought I would provide some clarity on uniform expectations.

- Jackets/coats are to be <u>only black in colour</u> with no logos and no black hoodies are to be worn.
- In hot weather there is no requirement to wear a jumper; and
- Blazers must be worn in the corridor but can be removed during lessons.
- Jewellery: A plain watch and plain set of gold/silver stud earrings are permitted only. This means that no pearls or diamante earrings will be allowed and will be confiscated if seen by staff.

Behaviour Outside of School

It is a pity when a small number of individuals behave in a way which harms the school's reputation in the local community. I therefore ask that you ensure that your child goes straight home after school and whilst doing so conducts themselves in a manner which meets the high expectations we have in school. Any poor behaviour which is seen and reported to us are a breach of the school's Behaviour Policy and **will** attract significant sanctions.

Please see below some important key dates for your information: -

Key Dates	Events
Tuesday 30 th April 2024	Sixth Form Student Leadership Team Commissioning Service 5-6pm Main Hall
Thursday 2 nd & Friday 3 rd May 2024	Year 10 Geography Field Trip
Thursday 2 nd May 2024	Year 6/7 New Intake Evening 5pm Main Hall
Saturday 4 th – 6 th May 2024	Year 9 Ignite Weekend Retreat
Monday 6 th May 2024	Spring Bank Holiday – School Closed
Wednesday 8 th May 2024	Year 13 Leavers' Mass
Wednesday 8 th May & Thursday 9 th May 2024	Year 10 GCSE Drama Performance – 4pm Main Hall
Thursday 9 th May 2024	Year 8 Retreats to Frampton Baptist Church begin
Friday 10 th May 2024	Year 13 Leavers' Assembly
Thursday 16 th May 2024	Year 6/7 New Intake I-2-1 Interviews
Monday 27 th May 2024	Half Term (Whitsun Bank Holiday)
Monday 3 rd June 2024	Return to School
Week Commencing 24 th June 2024	AP2 Assessment Week for Years 7-10 & 12

Yours in service,

Mr A Hall **HEADTEACHER**



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