

## COLLEGE CALENDAR

<b>26th November 2017</b>	<b>Griffin Mass</b>
<b>28th November 2017</b>	Upper Grammar Parents Evening 16:00hrs ~ 19:00hrs
<b>7th November 2017</b>	CCHS Open Evening 18:00 – 21:00
<b>8th November 2017</b>	Senior Citizen Party 13:00hrs ~15:00hrs



## ATTENDANCE

House	3.11.2017	27.10.2017
Allen	95.9%	95.7%
Hinsley	94.6%	95.5%
Manning	93.7%	94.0%
Newman	93.3%	93.7%
Vaughan	93.9%	96.4%
Wiseman	96.1%	94.7%
<b>Whole School</b>	<b>94.6%</b>	<b>95.0%</b>

### WINTER WEATHER

The college rarely closes for winter weather. Our building enable pupils to move around without having to cross large expanses of snow covered yards and walk ways! The reasons as to why the college could close would be one of the following:

- The heating has broken down in the college.
- The public transport has been cancelled due to the weather.
- The college transport has been cancelled due to the weather.
- A significant number of staff are unable to reach college due to the weather conditions and it would be unsafe to supervise and teach the pupils and students.

In the event of closure, we will place a message on the webpage and contact parents by text. In addition, we will notify Staffordshire County Council and they will list school closures on their webpage. Contacting the college directly is often time-consuming and frustrating, so, always check the webpage for up to date information.

Occasionally, we have a snow fall in the early hours of the morning which can result in poor traffic movement between the snow fall and the time that the gritting services can get out and clear the roads. In response to this situation, the college day will begin at 0940. The College will be open at the usually time, however the additional hour gives pupils, parents, and staff an extra hour to get through the traffic.

Parents are asked **not** to give their children a day off college, "a snow day". The attendance data shows conclusively that the most vulnerable pupils (those in Year 7/Rudiments) have the highest attendance and the least vulnerable (Year 11/Syntax) have the lowest attendance on these days.

### OUR PARISH CHURCHES

**St Mary's & St Thomas More**  
Rev Fr Peter Weatherby  
<http://www.cannockcatholic.org>  
07766 335591

**St Joseph's, Burntwood**  
Rev Fr Paul Haines  
<http://www.stjosburntwood.co.uk/>  
01543 686266

**Our Lady of Lourdes**  
Rev Fr Jeremy Howard  
<http://www.ourladyhednesford.com>  
01543 42276

**St Joseph & St Etheldreda, Rugeley**  
Rev Fr Peter Stonier  
<http://www.rugeleycatholicchurch.co.uk/>  
01889 802531



# THE GRIFFIN

## Cardinal Griffin Catholic College

*Ad majorem Dei gloriam*

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### COLLEGE PRAYERS FOR THE WEEK

Morning Prayer	Evening Prayer	Weekly Prayer
<p>Lord, teach me to be generous: to serve you as you deserve; to give and not to count the cost; to fight and not to heed the wounds; to toil and not to seek to rest; to labour and to ask for any reward save that of knowing I do your will. Amen</p>	<p>May the Lord support us all the day long, till the shadows lengthen, and the evening comes, and the busy world is hushed, and the fever of life is over, and our work is done. Then, in his mercy, may he give us a safe lodging, a holy rest, and peace at last. Amen</p>	<p>Lord, Inspire me to always give of my best and make good use of the time and talents you have given me. Help me to have a positive attitude, appreciating and valuing others, always being ready to encourage and give praise. Help me never to judge people, but to accept others as they are, Knowing that it is together, each with our differences, that we build up your Kingdom here on earth. We ask this prayer through Christ our Lord. Amen.</p>

### CHURCH CALENDAR

<b>Sunday 26th November 2017</b>	<b>Our Lord Jesus Christ, Universal King</b>
<b>Monday 27th November 2017</b>	Weekday in Ordinary Time
<b>Tuesday 28th November 2017</b>	Weekday in Ordinary Time
<b>Wednesday 29th November 2017</b>	Weekday in Ordinary Time
<b>Thursday 30th November 2017</b>	St Andrew, Apostle, patron of Scotland
<b>Friday 1st December 2017</b>	Weekday in Ordinary Time
<b>Saturday 2nd December 2017</b>	Weekday in Ordinary Time

### LAY CHAPLAIN'S MESSAGE

**AmDg**

On Sunday the 26th November 2017 the Liturgy and Worship Group, along with many other students, will be celebrating Mass with the wonderful parish of St Mary's Church, Cannock. We will be celebrating the youth of our parish and displaying the Catholic work they undertake in the college community and beyond.

Mass starts at 10:30hrs and you are all welcome to come and celebrate with us.  
I look forward to seeing you there.

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## NETBALL RESULTS



Rudiments Netball			
Won	Lost	Drew	Best Game
3	0	0	Codsall

**Performance:** The squad have been working hard and have played 3 games so far against Kingsmead, Cannock Chase High School and Codsall winning all of them due to their ability to demonstrate skills effectively within the pressure of a competitive situation.

Figures Netball			
Won	Lost	Drew	Best Game
3	0	0	Cheslyn Hay

**Best Result/Performance:** So far this season the team have played Chase Terrace, Cheslyn Hay and Codsall Middle School winning all games. This year their use of space and ability to offer and reoffer have contributed greatly to their success.

Lower Grammar Netball			
Won	Lost	Drew	League Position
2	3	0	4 <sup>th</sup>

**Best Result/Performance:**  
A solid team performance, against the eventual league winners, Erasmus Darwin Academy, which could have gone either way but tired legs crept in, ending in a 5-3 defeat.

Upper Grammar Netball			
Won	Lost	Drew	Best Game
10	1	0	King Edwards

**Best Result/Performance:**  
The team have worked hard to ensure that both attack and defence are strong regardless of the opposition. They won their district tournament beating King Edwards demonstrating their adaptability against tough opposition.

Syntax Netball			
Won	Lost	Drew	Best Game
4	1	0	King Edwards

**Best Result/Performance:**  
During their district tournament they demonstrated some quality netball, reflective of five years of hard work. They only lost to King Edwards in the final and look forward to their next games this season.

### CONTACT DETAILS

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## FOOTBALL RESULTS



Rudiments Football			
Won	Lost	Drew	League Position
2	2	0	3 <sup>rd</sup>

### Best Result/Performance:

3-0 down to Cannock Chase after 10 minutes and ended up winning the game 5-4 after missing a hatful of chances.

Figures Football			
Won	Lost	Drew	League Position
3	0	0	1 <sup>st</sup>

### Best Result/Performance:

Throughout the season so far the boys' squad has shown great commitment and attitude in all games, playing some entertaining football with the cup games seeing very positive results.

Lower Grammar Football			
Won	Lost	Drew	League Position
2	3	0	4 <sup>th</sup>

### Best Result/Performance:

A solid team performance, against the eventual league winners, Erasmus Darwin Academy, which could have gone either way but tired legs crept in, ending in a 5-3 defeat.

Upper Grammar Football			
Won	Lost	Drew	League Position
3	2	0	2 <sup>nd</sup>

### Best Result/Performance:

League decider against Friary, saw us go down 3-2 to a wonder strike in the final 5 minutes as we were pushing for a winner. Both teams were level on points and goals with the single game to play.

Syntax Football			
Won	Lost	Drew	League Position
1	2	1	4 <sup>th</sup>

### Best Result/Performance:

A competitive game against Kingsmead which we were a little hard done to as mistakes early in the first half cost us in the end. The game ended 5-3 but 3-0 down after 10 minutes left the boys with too much to do.



Currently all boys and girls teams are entered in small sided competitions that will be running this half term.

Rudiments boys have won their preliminary competition and will be playing in the final tournament on 5th December 2017

Figures boys are currently in round 3 of the Staffs County Cup and in round 4 of the English School Cup Competition (ESFA), beating Belvidere School of Shrewsbury and Madeley Academy of Telford in round 2 & 3 respectively.