

INVIGILATORS NEEDED

We are looking to appoint Invigilators who are interested in a long term challenge. This will be a casual contract with the main exams typically being in November, January, March, May and June. An ideal candidate will be flexible, have effective communication skills and be confident in the presence of students. Please contact Mrs Middleton in the Exams Office for further details: s.middleton@cardinalgriffin.staffs.sch.uk The successful candidate will be required to undertake a DBS check and attend internal training sessions.



ATTENDANCE

House	30.6.2017	23.6.2017
Allen	93.7%	95.5%
Hinsley	94.7%	95.6%
Manning	91.8%	90.9%
Newman	92.2%	93.0%
Vaughan	95.2%	93.6%
Wiseman	96.3%	94.4%
Whole School	94.0%	93.9%



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Ad majorem Dei gloriam

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Week 5

COLLEGE PRAYERS FOR THE WEEK

Morning Prayer

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

Evening Prayer

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

Weekly Prayer

Blessed are the peacemakers,
for they bring heaven to earth.
Blessed are those who greet us with a smile.
Blessed are those whose laughter lives in our memories.
Blessed are those whose chuckles and laughing eyes tug at the corners of our mouths.
Blessed are those who see the funny side of things for they redeem mistakes and failure.
Blessed are those who can laugh at themselves.
Blessed are those who make us smile
for they reveal the face of the God of love.
Blessed are those who make us laugh
for they reveal the joy of heaven.
Amen.



LRC Important Notice

Please remember any College Library Books need to be returned to the LRC now.

Thank you ~ Mrs Biddle



Congratulations!!!

Isaac Turner and Christopher Perks who joins our exclusive club of WORD MILLIONAIRES, so far we have 27 WORD MILLIONAIRES! this year. There is still time to join them and quite a few pupils are nearly there, check with Mrs Biddle your words read, or look on your progress table on AR Reader.

LOST PROPERTY

As we come to end of the academic year, all unclaimed Lost Property will go to Charity. Please come and collect any of the following items, if you think they belong to you.

Boys Black Adidas Jacket ~ Small
Boys Black Nike Jacket ~ 12-13 Yrs
Boys Black Nike / Fleece Lining ~ Small
Boys Black Body Warmer ~ Medium
Boys Blue Regatta Jacket ~ Size 32"
Boys Light Blue Cotton Ridge Hoodie ~ Small

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Girls Green Bomber Jacket Fur Hood (Miss Selfridge) ~ Size 8  
Girls Black Puma Hoodie ~ Size 8  
Black PE Bag with Girls Pink Trainers ~ Size 3

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Boys and Girls PE Bags (kit inside) ~ Lunch Boxes
Pencil Cases ~ Umbrella's

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This is not the completed list, so please do check if you have lost anything at the College within the last year. Returning property quickly to students can be made so much easier if items have a **name** and **form** on them.

### OUR PARISH CHURCHES

#### St Mary's & St Thomas More

Rev Fr Peter Weatherby  
<http://www.cannockcatholic.org>  
07766 335591

#### Our Lady of Lourdes

Rev Fr Philip Newbold  
<http://www.ourladyhednesford.com>  
01543 422576

#### St Joseph's, Burntwood

Rev Fr Paul Haines  
<http://www.stjosburntwood.co.uk/>  
01543 686266

#### St Joseph & St Etheldreda, Rugeley

Rev Fr Peter Stonier  
<http://www.rugeleycatholicchurch.co.uk/>  
01889 802531

### CHURCH CALENDAR

|                                 |                                              |
|---------------------------------|----------------------------------------------|
| <b>Sunday 9th July 2017</b>     | <b>14th Sunday in Ordinary Time</b>          |
| <b>Monday 10th July 2017</b>    | Weekday in Ordinary Time                     |
| <b>Tuesday 11th July 2017</b>   | St Benedict, Abbot, Patron of Europe         |
| <b>Wednesday 12th July 2017</b> | St John Jones, Priest, Martyr (W)            |
| <b>Thursday 13th July 2017</b>  | St Henry                                     |
| <b>Friday 14th July 2017</b>    | St Camillus de Lellis, Priest                |
| <b>Saturday 15th July 2017</b>  | St Bonaventure, Bishop, Doctor of the Church |

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### LAY CHAPLAIN'S MESSAGE

Father of all, lead us and guide us. Keep us close to you today. Father of all, heal us and renew us. Hold us in your love and protect us from anything that might hurt us. Father of all, you know completely, all our thoughts and dreams. Dwell in us o Lord and watch over us today. We ask this through Christ Our Lord. Amen.

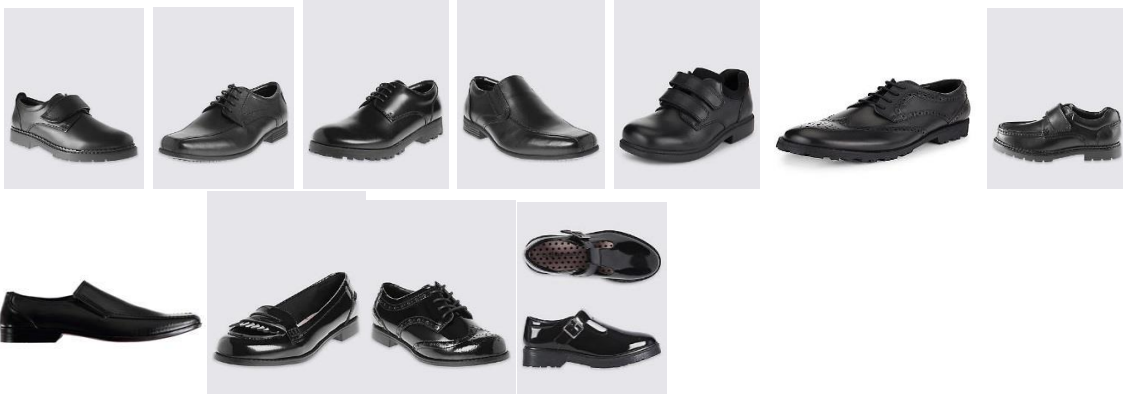
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## HEADTEACHER'S MESSAGE

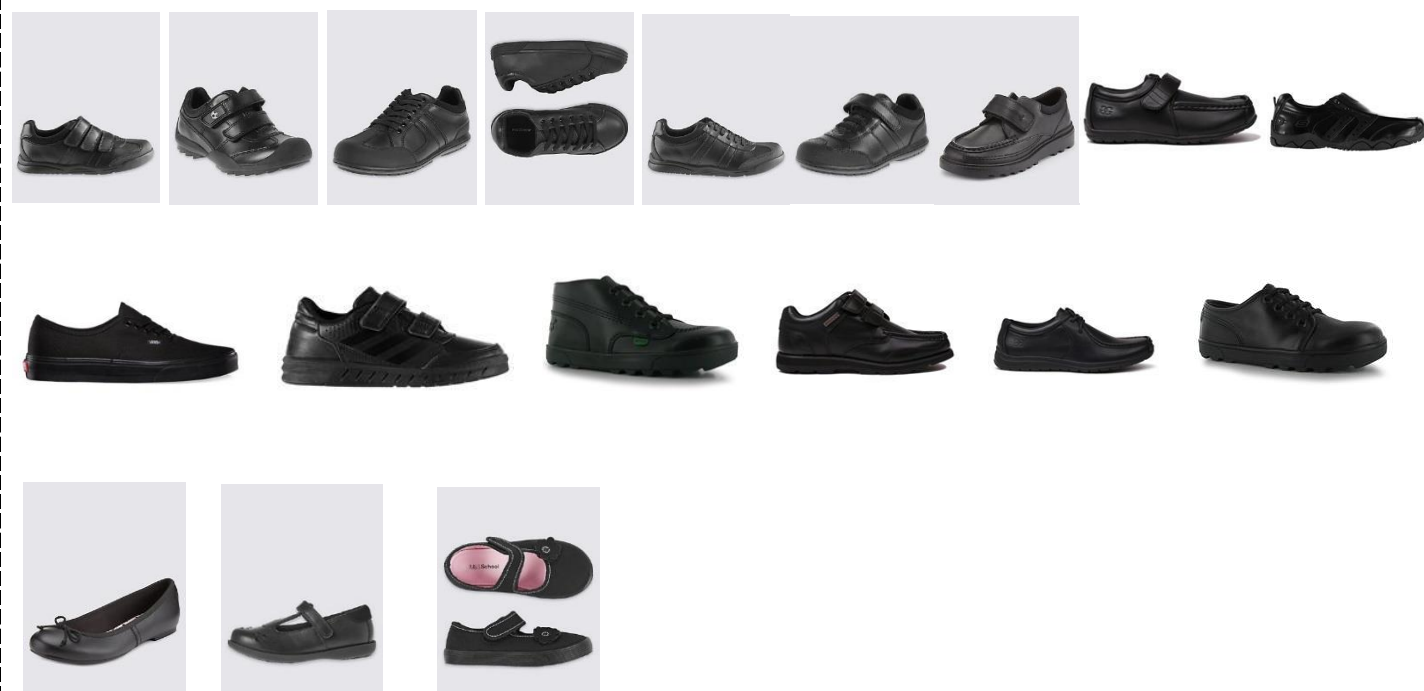


### SHOES

I have received a couple of phone calls from parents wishing to confirm the requirement for shoes in the new Dress Code for September 2017. The policy states that the shoes should be plain, black, non-fashion, leather, and polished shoes with a protruding heel. The shoes below all meet the requirement.



However, these shoes below are **unacceptable** because they have no protruding heel, or are not leather or provide insufficient protection to the top of the foot.



If parents are unsure, you could send a text with a photo and we will be happy to provide a judgment for you. Mr Archer gave me a useful piece of advice and it was that if the child was not prepared to wear the shoes at the weekend, they are probably the correct ones!!

## EXTREME INTERNET USERS

According to recent research, more than one-third of the UK's 15-year-olds are classed as "extreme internet users".

This is defined, by a study from the International Think Tank OECD, **as someone who uses the internet for the equivalent of their whole evening online - more than six hours outside school on a typical weekend day.**

An Office of National Statistics study quoted in research suggests that;

- 56% of 10 to 15-year-olds spend three hours or more on social media on a normal school day.
- 33% of UK children of the same age spent no time on social media during a school day.
- 70% of UK children had missed out on sleep because of their online habits.
- 60% said they had neglected school work as a result.
- 78% young people (aged 16 to 24) had been told off by parents for excessive internet usage.
- 59% of those questioned said they felt they spent too much time on the internet, with a quarter saying they felt nervous or anxious when offline.

Kevin Courtney, General Secretary of the National Union of Teachers, said the ICT industry, schools and families must all rise to the challenge of social media.

*"What will jump out to parents is the link between excessive social media use and a greater chance of mental health issues," he said.*

*"Looking at ways to make children resilient, we need industry to behave responsibly, but we also must empower parents about the best ways to safeguard and support their children online."*

## GOVERNMENT BACKS FINES FOR LATE PUPILS

After it emerged that a number of schools and local authorities have advised parents that children who are repeatedly late for school could face a £60 fine, the Government has given its support.

A DfE spokesperson said it is right that tardiness is monitored and it should be addressed where it becomes a concern.

*"It is a matter for individual schools to decide when to close their register and take action as needed, provided it is in line with the local authority's code of conduct," they added.*

The college will be seeking the advice of Staffordshire County Council on the matters. The number of pupils in the college deemed as persistently late is very small, in the year 2016 – 2017, there are 9 pupils who would fall into this category.

## THE COLLEGE MASS AND SPORTS DAY

The College Mass took place on Thursday 29<sup>th</sup> June on the Feast Day of St Peter and St Paul. The Sports Hall was transformed into a sacred place of worship. With four large screens placed around the hall, the pupils and staff were able to follow the Mass and watch the liturgy unfold. We were delighted to welcome a great friend to the college, Bishop David McGough, and two of our parish priests, Father Peter Weatherby and Father Peter Stonier, as well as our new parish sister, Sister Maria Olukristi. There were forty three pupils who were issued with either College Colours or Headteacher Colours at the end of the Mass. Well done to you all.

On Monday 3<sup>rd</sup> July, we held our Sports Day. It was a wonderful occasion with the vast majority of the pupils coming forward to represent their House in either Athletics, Cycling, or the Tug of War. The winning team was Vaughan House who were the only House not to have won the Rose Bowl in the past and we are delighted that now every House can now claim to have won the trophy on at least one occasion.

### COLLEGE CALENDAR

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|----------------------------------------------------|---------------------------------------------------------------|
| <b>13<sup>th</sup> July 2017</b>                   | Syntax Prom                                                   |
| <b>17<sup>th</sup> ~ 21<sup>st</sup> July 2017</b> | DofE Final Expedition<br>Magis Week<br>Poetry Work Experience |
| <b>20<sup>th</sup> July 2017</b>                   | Activity Day                                                  |
| <b>21<sup>st</sup> July 2017</b>                   | <b>College Closes 13:05hrs</b>                                |

### COLLEGE SPORTS FIXTURES

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|----------------------------------|---------------------------------|
| <b>Tennis</b>                    |                                 |
| <b>12<sup>th</sup> July 2017</b> | U13's Boys Tournament (A)       |
| <b>13<sup>th</sup> July 2017</b> | U15 Boys & Girls Tournament (A) |

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