

# Cardinal Langley's VOICE



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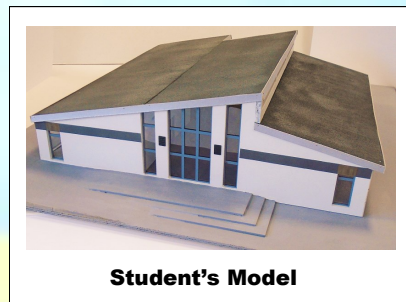


## Easter Blessings

**As we approach Easter, I am constantly amazed by the enthusiasm and generosity shown by staff and students** when involving themselves in our Lenten services and raising money for those less fortunate. This year we are again supporting Caritas through our St Joseph's Penny appeal

and are hoping to raise £2000 to support their work throughout Salford Diocese. This demonstrates the strength of our community and is a real witness to living out the values that we display in our Mission Statement.

Easter is always an exceptionally busy time in school as students prepare for their summer exams and staff have a full programme of revision sessions and after school activities. I would like to thank all the students for their excellent attitude to learning and on their behalf pass on our appreciation to all the staff who support them through this important period. We wish all our students every success and I am sure they will achieve the high grades that their hard work deserves.

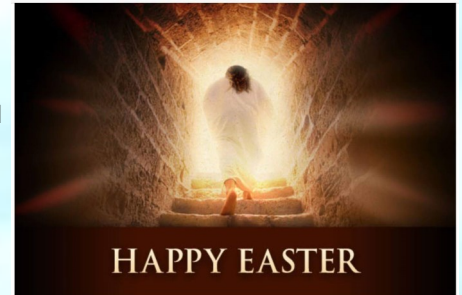


Student's Model

This is an exciting time for our school community as construction of our new Year 7 teaching base began after Christmas and is on course for completion in the summer. In September 2016 we will welcome 210 students into this new facility which will include five teaching rooms, additional dining facilities, new playground and garden areas. The popularity of the school continues to grow with a total of 420 applications for 210 places this year and a record number of 166 applications to join the Sixth Form.

This Easter, Miss Whyte will be retiring following forty years of service

to our local community, with thirty three of these being spent at Cardinal Langley and St Dominic Savio. Miss Whyte has taught maths to three generations of some families and her understanding of students and their



HAPPY EASTER

family backgrounds will be greatly missed. We wish her a long and happy retirement and she will always remain part of our Cardinal Langley family. Mrs Dewhurst, Mr Evans, Mr Bell, Mrs Poole and Mr Lloyd will also be leaving for new positions and I am sure you will join me in thanking them for the dedication they have shown to supporting the young people in our community.

May I wish you sincere Easter blessings and hope that students enjoy the break and return refreshed and safe on Monday 11<sup>th</sup> April.

**Mr A Bridson, Headteacher**

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ROCHDALE YOUTH  
FESTIVAL OF  
PERFORMING ARTS

**The School Choir** took part in Rochdale Music festival gaining an honours award and a trophy!

Not only did they sing beautifully but they were a credit to us all with their impeccable behaviour.

**More information to follow in our Summer edition**



# Extension Work for Everyone!



Meanwhile... for those who can't wait - see the model.

As part of his AS coursework Owen Cassidy (Y12) has made an architectural model of the new building that is in the process of construction here at Cardinal Langley. He interpreted the architect's drawings to manufacture the 1:50 accurate scale model out of a range of materials: MDF, Plywood, foam core board, styrofoam and acrylic and used the laser cutter and hand skills to assemble the final piece. It was a difficult task and as construction drawings are very detailed, Owen had to work through them, problem solving as he went along.

Owen's attention to detail and eye for precision has resulted in him producing an excellent model which has been admired by the



**Owen Cassidy's Model of the New Build**

architect who designed the building himself and the construction site manager, who helped him interpret the drawings. The model will be put on display once the new building is complete.



**Getting to grips with the plans to help the model come to life**



Our new-build extension is now **taking shape** ahead of the increased Year 7 entry from September 2016, to meet a growing demand for our school. In addition to housing five new classrooms, there will be a social and catering area to ease congestion at lunchtimes.

It is sited at the rear of the school behind the Sixth-Form centre and gymnasium.



**Cardinal Langley has recently signed up to be a tootoot school in an effort to combat all forms of bullying.**

The initiative, which is also supported by Northern actor Will Mellor, will provide young people with an online platform to securely and anonymously report any incidents directly to key staff in the school. Having measures in place to prevent all forms of bullying, and a clear process for reporting incidents, is incredibly



important for the safety of all children. **tootoot** is an effective tool to help in these situations and, by giving students access to this platform, we hope that the common barriers often encountered when reporting such incidents can be overcome.

**tootoot** is available 24/7, 365 days a year and is six times more effective than face-to-face reporting. It will be used to support the already effective school systems by raising awareness of safeguarding issues and improving the overall learning environment for young people. The platform and app, developed with the support of Barclay's, will also help to promote equality, support diversity and increase confidence in school pupils.

**tootoot** developer Michael Brennan, said: "Modern bullying comes in many different shapes and sizes. But whatever its form, it is a subject that is often very difficult to talk about if you become a victim. That's why I developed **tootoot** and by rolling it out to interested schools it will give a huge number of young people the confidence to report what is happening to them."





## CHAPLAINCY CORNER

Our new icon of five W's is now to be found in many places around the school and on our computer desktop screens.

### Welcome [come]

– come together in welcome.

### Word [talk]

– talk together as a word of God's community.

### Witness [work]

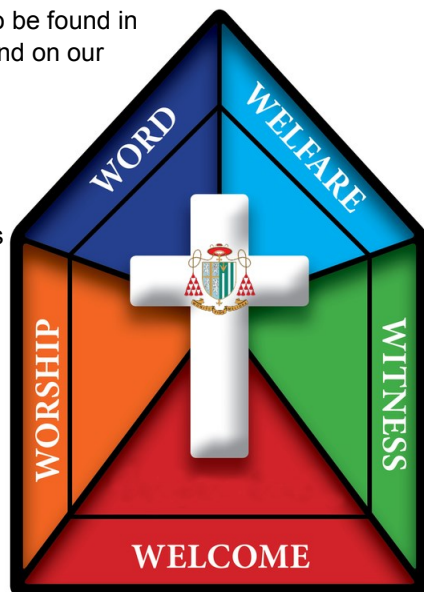
– We look at our School mission statement and work together as a witness community.

### Welfare [walk]

– Walk together as a welfare community.

### Worship [pray]

– We pray together as a worship community.



On Wednesday 2nd March we held a soup lunch where students and staff make a donation to Caritas and have soup and a bread roll instead of their lunch. This is kindly donated by P&A Catering and is a very successful fundraising initiative, raising around £150 each time we run the soup lunch.

Staff and students are raising money for Caritas during Lent through a variety of fundraising activities.

During registration we have been focussing on the Year of Mercy and the idea of forgiveness. This has been done through prayer, video reflections and our lenten promise prayer corner in the chapel. We have open chapel every Monday for students and staff to spend a few minutes in silent prayer.



## Caritas: St Joseph's Penny

The 'St Joseph's Penny Appeal' has long been a tradition in Catholic schools across the Diocese of Salford where students raise money for children and families in need. The Appeal is now in its 112<sup>th</sup> year.

The St Joseph's Penny Collection was started by the Catholic Children's Rescue Society, which has recently been renamed Caritas.

Caritas means "charity" and "love" in Latin.

Caritas works with children and adults in need across the Diocese of Salford helping people who are:

- Homeless
- Hungry
- Lonely
- Having difficulty with friends or family
- Struggling at school
- Experiencing financial hardship.

During Lent all staff and students at Cardinal Langley took part in a number of fundraising activities: a soup lunch, cake sale, Easter egg raffle. We are hoping to raise £2000 and will report our full total in the summer term.



The Diocese of Salford is hiring a double-decker bus with priests on board to reach out to people during the Year of Mercy. Having begun in February, the "Mercy Bus" is touring parts of Greater Manchester and Lancashire, stopping in town centres, housing estates, colleges and homeless centres. The group of priests on board will be available for confession, a blessing or simply a chat.

The idea behind the venture is to respond to the Year of Mercy, announced by Pope Francis. It's an innovative way of taking the Church to the people. Music will be played as the bus tours the streets. Also on board will be young volunteers, who will distribute leaflets to passers-by. Bishop John Arnold said, "The Mercy Bus is a way of reaching out to people who might not otherwise have contact with the Church. We are going to them, rather than expecting them to come to us."

The Mercy Bus is coming to Cardinal Langley RC High School on Thursday 7<sup>th</sup> July 2016.

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Year of Mercy

### Year of Mercy Prayer

All loving Father,  
you sent Jesus your Son  
to show us Your mercy  
and to teach us how to forgive one another.

Pour out Your Holy Spirit upon us.  
Help us to remember that we are all sinners.  
Let this Year of Mercy be a pilgrimage,  
a journey back to You.

Make us ambassadors of mercy,  
sharing Your forgiveness with everyone,  
especially those who feel  
that they are beyond Your love.  
We make this prayer through Christ our Lord.  
Amen

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# Student Voice

The new Year 7 intake in 2015 have made an excellent start adapting well to life at Cardinal Langley. We thought it would be a good idea to share some of their experiences with you based around three questions.

- What do you like about Cardinal Langley?
- What is different to primary?
- What do you miss about primary school?



**Matthew Blackshaw**

I like Cardinal Langley because you study a variety of subjects and are allowed to be more independent now as we are older. Also the food is better than primary in my opinion. Also I like how every day - if the weather is suitable, we can go and play football on the 3G which I do nearly every day.

In primary you had one teacher and only one classroom every day where as we now do different subjects everyday.

I miss my favourite teachers, Mrs Fedybre and Mr Haworth. Every time we got 20 class points Mr Haworth would have something good planned for us. Finally Mrs Fedybre, she always had a smile on her face and always made computers fun.



**Freddie Fisher**

My name is Freddie Fisher and I like many aspects of Cardinal Langley. I really like the food, the teachers and all of the different subjects.

The things that are different to primary school is that you move classrooms for different lessons and this lets me explore different parts of the school. As well as this, I have different teachers for different subjects where as in primary school I had one fixed teacher for all lessons.

The one aspect that I miss about primary school is that I didn't have much homework to do but in high school I get a lot more from different subjects. My favourite subject is PE because I love sport and it keeps me fit. I also like Geography because it enables me to explore the world.



**Aleksandra Anusiewicz**

My name is Aleksandra Anusiewicz and I am part of 7LA, Cardinal Langley High School.

I very much indeed enjoy my school, I love all of my lessons and every teacher is always smiling and happy to help with anything.

However I do miss a few things about primary school. I certainly miss not having to carry my bags around with me, and of course I miss the dinner queues, but most importantly, I miss my great teachers and all of the lovely students.

The biggest difference between the two schools is of course the size but there are many other differences. Firstly, the amount of students. There are around 190 pupils in year 7 alone, but this gives everybody a better chance to make more friends. Another difference between the schools is that in high school, the students have more control over what they do during break time and lunch time.

Thank you for taking your time to read about my experiences in primary school and high school.



**Ann-Marie Tran**

There are quite a few things I like about Cardinal Langley. I must say that the dinners here are wonderful and this is because there is more of a variety of food to choose from. Another thing is the library, again it also has a variety of books to choose from. I like how there are many computers and a variety of subjects so I don't get bored. I like how there is a variety of clubs and events that get you focusing such as Reading, Creative Writing and Singing which I attend on a regular basis.

There are a few differences about my primary and secondary school. One major point has to be the size of the school. This school is quite large compared to primary. A not so important factor is the space for eating, as there are more students, there is more space. It ended up taking me a good few weeks to get used to a new school timetable but it helps keep me organised and is now easy to remember.

A few things I miss about primary school are my friends there as most went to a different school. I also miss the wooden seats, a basketball court, a wooden stage and a few more things, but I do understand not many other people would want that (especially the older children).



**Ellie-Jane Sharp**

At Cardinal Langley I like that I have different lessons in different places and I get to meet new teachers every day.

Cardinal Langley is different to my primary school because it is bigger and it has more students and adults.

I still miss my primary school as I liked all my teachers and all my friends there.

## Student Voice



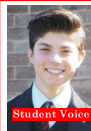


#### Angola Kolade

I like Cardinal Langley because there are lots of different lessons that we didn't get in primary school.

Cardinal Langley is different to primary because its bigger and has so many more people.

The thing I miss about primary school is my old friends and of course the teachers.



#### Joe Collinge

I like that the school is bigger and we more from different classes so we are not sat in the same room.

The teachers treat you more like adults, and you get more opportunities

The thing I miss the most is probably the teachers and the I-pads.



#### Lucy Cannavan

During my time in Cardinal Langley RC High School I have made some wonderful new friends, learnt a lot of things and been given opportunities I may not have had otherwise. I like Cardinal Langley because there is so much to do, I personally enjoy creative writing, netball and running after school and in school. Also, the amount of subjects you can take and each subject has teachers that have a passion for it, is wonderful. As well as the subjects, being able to plan and study because of the set timetable is ideal and a very clever idea are the journals, which help you to stay prepared and keep track of homework. I love Cardinal Langley and I'm so glad I picked this school.

High school is very different to primary school (in a good way). Primary school was a time to make friends and work hard but High School is exactly the same just completely different. There are about quadruple the number of people to make friends with, you have like 20 different teachers and every lesson is in a different room. There is a lot more homework and a lot more activities to participate in.

Since I've started at Cardinal Langley I have missed my primary and all the bonds I made with both teachers and students, however, I have now been given the chance to bond with more people.

### Senior Council of Students

Cardinal Langley Sixth Form has its own Senior Council of students that is there to represent specific post-16 issues.

The Head Boy and Head Girl (and their deputies) are chosen from Year 13 students and all students in Year 13 are welcome to apply for the roles. Our Senior Council meets every fortnight and it plays a significant role in the life of the Sixth Form. This means we've played a leading role in many aspects of Sixth Form life such as organising social activities, organising the Leavers' Dinner in July this year, helping to arrange the OAP Christmas social and coordinating charity fundraisers. As students on the Senior Council we are all expected to lead by example and act as role models to younger students throughout the school.



This term we welcomed back the 'Class of 2015' to our annual Presentation Evening. Students were presented with their certificates and individual subject prizes by Mr Bridson and Mr Campbell. Three special prizes were awarded by the Queen Elizabeth Foundation for outstanding academic achievement and contribution to the life of the Sixth Form, with Liam Taylor,

Dominic Gee and Daisy Cripps each receiving a cheque for £500. This year also saw the presentation of the inaugural Sheilagh Boylan Award which was given to Grant Henshaw for his contribution to the life of the Sixth Form. We were very pleased that Mr Boylan was able to join us and present the award to Grant.



# 14-18 MARCH 2016 SCHOOLS' AUTISM AWARENESS WEEK

**Schools' Autism Awareness week was held 14-18 March 2016**, with Cardinal Langley RC High School promoting Autism Awareness during the week. There are around 700,000 people in the UK living with autism - that's more than 1 in 100.

If you include their families, autism touches the lives of 2.8 million people every day. Autism Spectrum Disorder (ASD) is a general term for a group of complex disorders of brain development. These disorders are characterised by difficulties in social interaction, verbal and nonverbal communication and repetitive behaviours. At Cardinal Langley RC High School, we pride ourselves on our inclusive ethos and we embraced the Schools' Autism Awareness week.

We planned activities for forms and drop-ins to find out more about ASD. The theme ran throughout the week to highlight ASD and the issues that can be associated with it. Please see Mrs Walker from the Additional needs team for more information.



**James Durbin**



**Daryl Hannah**

"We have trouble working out what other people know. We have more difficulty guessing what other people are thinking."

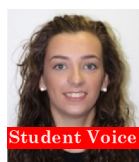
"Rowan loves art but he hates wearing a shirt to protect his clothing - the feeling of the fabric against his skin causes him distress. We have agreed with his school that he can wear a loose-fitting apron instead."



**Dan Aykroyd**



**Tim Burton**



**I am a competitive Irish dancer within CLRG (Coimisiun Le Rinci)** and have been competing for around 13 years. I dance for the Ward-Mallinson school

based in the North-West region of England. Although competing is my main focus in Irish dancing I also get opportunities to perform in displays and shows! This year I have again qualified to take part in the world championships which will be held at the end of March. A thousand dancers from all around the world will gather in Glasgow and compete in the hope of gaining a world medal.

There are a number of dancers from my school currently preparing for this event. Preparation not only involves four dance classes a week but also fitness training, physiotherapy sessions, private dance tutoring, local competitions and fundraising events.

There is a huge network of Irish dancers and teachers that span the globe, regularly meeting to compete and share



**Emily Griffiths with her dance tutor Justine Ward-Mallinson at the British National Championships**

knowledge. Irish dancing is focused primarily on footwork however style, fitness, carriage and image are also important. Timing, rhythm and balance are extremely important! I perform individually however you can also perform as part of a team. Irish dancing involves heavy shoes and light shoes. Performing in heavy shoes is often considered similar to tap dancing whilst light shoe dancing is much more balletic.

Irish dance was catapulted onto the international stage by shows such as Riverdance and Michael Flatley's Lord of the Dance. Many competitive Irish dancers go on to travel the world with such shows which provide ever evolving ideas whilst still keeping an element of tradition.

**Emily Griffiths**





## Skiing and More

During February half term, 66 students and accompanying staff embarked on an epic 26 hour coach journey to Italy for the ski experience of their lives. Despite being one of the busiest travelling weekends of the year, we were blessed with very little traffic and arrived in the resort of Bormio Saturday morning. This gave the students plenty of much needed down time to unpack, re-fuel and explore their surroundings before kitting out with their ski gear for the week.

① Over the course of the week the weather was good with fresh powder at the start and a few clear sunny days later on in the week so the breath taking views were appreciated. Eventually, all students fully immersed themselves into their ski lessons and with the advantage of small groups sizes and quiet slopes the beginners were able to make exceptional progress throughout the week.

In addition to the skiing we were able to sample the Italian culture and cuisine. Après ski provided a range of activities from Ice Skating, Disco and an extraordinary Karaoke night! An exhausting yet fun packed week was had by all and I'm sure the remarkable memories made up for all the blisters, bruises and the odd wipe out on the slopes.



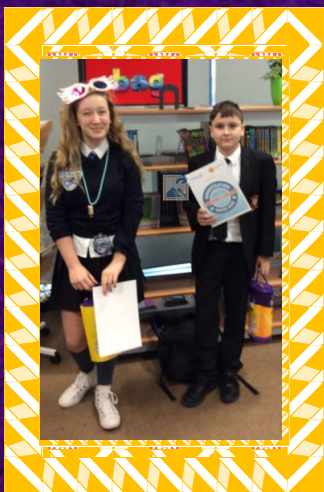




# World Book

Staff and students transformed into all manner of witches, wizards and heroes from the famous Harry Potter book series to celebrate World Book Day at Cardinal Langley this year. The day was once again a great success in bringing our school community together to celebrate books and a love of reading.

Our annual sponsored silent 'Readathon' took place in the LRC during the first half of the day, offering a great number of our students the chance to sit back and relax with a book of their choice. Later in the day, the English classrooms were decked out in the



colours of the Hog  
All in all, World Bo  
reading. A huge th





# Day Wizardry



wards houses, as yet more activities and opportunities to engage with the books were available. Book Day 2016 provided staff and students alike with a great reminder about why we love books and thank you to all of our staff and students who made the day such a memorable one!

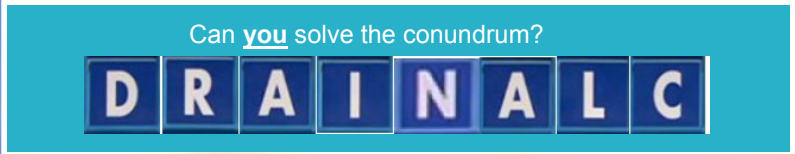


## All Aboard the Hogwart's Express

Our students have yet more Harry Potter 'magic' to look forward to later this year, with a trip to visit the Harry Potter Studio Tour and another chance to immerse themselves further into the wonder and magic of this fantastic series. If a student would like to go, there are a limited number of places still available at a cost of £55. Please see your English teacher for more information.



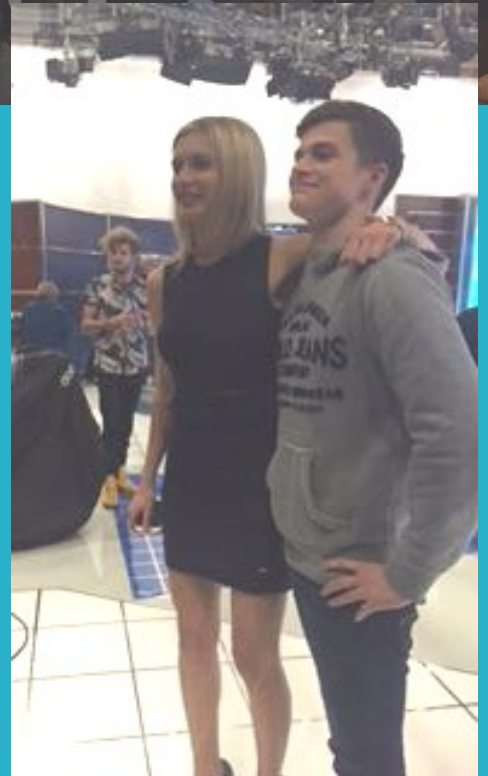




On a rainy winter evening, pupils from KS4 and KS5 made the journey to Media City in Salford to watch the recording of Countdown. The popular Channel 4 gameshow is presented by Nick Hewer and assisted by Rachel Riley, resident numerical expert. Celebrity guest, Nicholas Owen, worked alongside regular lexicographer, Susie Dent, in Dictionary Corner.

Students watched the recording of two episodes that were broadcast

on January 28<sup>th</sup> and 29<sup>th</sup> 2016. During the filming, the students were able to participate themselves: solving the conundrums; forming high -points scores in the letter rounds and working out the way to the magic number in the numbers round. During filming, Nick Hewer came to chat to our young people, impressed by their interest in the programme and amazed by the words that were being spotted during the game. Rachel and Susie also came to meet the group, patiently posing for pictures and giving us a tour of the set.



The visit proved to be a popular experience and we will return to the studios in the near future. Please see your English or Maths teacher for further information.

*The English and Maths Departments*





# News Catch Up



**In November 2015 myself, Tom Whitehead (Year 13), along with Emily Whitehead (Year 10), Nathan Oliver (Year 9), and Michael Blackshaw (Year 12), represented**

**1832 North Manchester Squadron Air Cadets during the Festival of Remembrance in school.**

For the two weeks prior to the service we collected donations for Poppies for the Royal British Legion during our break times. During this time we sold more poppies than we ever had before and I had the

opportunity to talk to pupils and answer their questions about Remembrance Sunday, and the significance of the Poppy. This was great for me as I

was able to explain that these next few years are very important for the Remembrance period as it is the Centenary of World War 1. We remember those who died for our freedom during World War 1, World War 2 and other wars.

On the 11<sup>th</sup> November, we represented our squadron, in full cadet uniform and carried our Squadron Banner; we paraded in the village square, and observed the minute's silence. This was a fantastic experience as we saw all of the school together in silence, showing respect for those who gave so much for us. We were privileged and proud to be part of the Service.

As a Squadron we also took part in the Middleton Remembrance Sunday Parade and Bogart Hole Clough remembrance service in Blackley.



As Air Cadets we were all extremely proud to represent our squadron and our school throughout the week and we were all extremely happy that the school took part with such pride as well. We are all members of Middleton Branch of The Royal British Legion and they have acknowledged our School's contribution by presenting us all with certificates.

We are all members of 1832 RAF Air Cadets North Manchester Squadron; we meet Monday and Wednesday evenings 7 – 9.30pm. We are involved in many activities, last summer we all completed the Royal British Legion Standard Bearing Course and have carried the Legion Standard at many events. Some Cadets have recently attended a Shooting Development Weekend at Ashton Squadron. In January 2016, ten Cadets spent the day at RAF Woodvale and we all had the opportunity to have a flying lesson. The highlight of my own Cadets Career was to spend one week at RAF Brize Norton.

If anyone is interested in joining please approach any of us for details.

## **Callum Connor is now the World WMO Thai Boxing Champion in the U16 45kg division.**

Callum won the Championship belt at the first time of asking defeating fighters from all over the world to progress through the qualifying tournament for the final. Callum then defeated the Australian champion from Brisbane in the final to collect the most converted prize in the sport.

Callum plans to continue in education next year hoping to study A levels balancing this with his busy fighting commitments. Callum has been invited on to the European Exhibition Circuit next year which can only be achieved by holding one of the World Championship belts.

This summer should be an exciting one for the young fighter as he has been invited onto a two week training camp in Thailand meeting some of the great legends of the sport. This level of success has been something which Callum is now having to get used to as he now holds three British titles and one Commonwealth title being undefeated in the last two years.

Callum is hoping to follow in the footsteps of former student Myk Estlick who achieved similar levels of success in the sport and who now fights on a regular basis in front of thousands of enthusiastic fans.



## **Mia Linnik and her dance partner Andrei Toader have recently won the World Championship under 14 Ballroom section and are vice**

champions of the Latin section. Mia and Andrei have been dancing together for 8 months now since Andrei moved over from Romania. Mia started dancing at the early age of six but at that time was also keen on a vast range of other sports including Gymnastics, Swimming, Ballet and Tennis. It is the Dancing however that has really taken off leading to recognition and titles on the world stage.

You may have read in a previous edition of how Mia has already won the BBC strictly come dancing junior version. Mia and Andrei will soon be competing in a high level world event being staged at the Winter gardens in Blackpool. Mia when interviewed for this article said, "It is my ambition to become a professional dancer and to be able to travel the world doing a job I love." Good luck to Mia and Andrei in your up and coming events.





# Our School Houses Award Winners

Each person within the school – both students and staff – belongs to one of five “families” through our House system.

**Full Colours:** Students in Y10 and Y11 who are stepping up to leadership. A school tie in House colour is awarded.

**Half Colours:** Students in Y9, Y10 and Y11 (Y8 students can receive Half Colours after the February half term). A shield badge in House colour is awarded.

**House Commendation:** Y7 students who are beginning to show a significant contribution to the ethos of the school. A pin badge in the house colour. is awarded.

**House Distinction:** Recognises the contribution that our sixth form students make to their House and school community.

Commendation	Half Colours	Full Colours	Distinction
Thomas Band Olivia Hall Rebecca Smith Neve Wilson Reggie Yates Nieve Hewitt Sophie Kelly Rebecca Murphy Mia Edwards James Ndulue Darcy Jones Kathryn Heywood Emma Walkley Dayle Owens	Rodiyah Ibrahim Lucy Sheridan Alice McNally Kate Newton Ellie Brown Darcey Beswick Hannah Cheetham	Royia Tierney Rosette Luamba Lucy Hopkins Kerene Ndundu	



Made for greatness

Commendation	Commendation	Full Colours	Distinction
Ann-Marie Tran Jessica Duggan Anabelle Cook Elise Gracey	Matthew Walker Anjola Kolade Mia Linnik Gabriella Angelucci	Maria Murray Brooke Whittaker Paul Walsh	



Courage and strength

Commendation	Half Colours	Full Colours	Distinction
Aleksandra Anusiewicz Niamh Ludlow Bryanna Heaton Jude McNab Daisy Ruddy Isabelle Fletcher Gabrielle Duoba	Emelia Alexander Isobel Loughlan Eve Walker Ornella Melcam Aiden Simpson Ethan Bradshaw Annie O'Loughlin Maddie Spencer Joshua Nevin Molly Davis Danny Harris Year	Isabela Orzechowska Vanessa Luamba	



Learn and Serve

Commendation	Half Colours	Full Colours	Distinction
Katie Scoffin Lucia Dryca Norah Ajelo-Nnadozie Alexandra Howarth Ben Ward Lucy Cannavan Millie Lockett Olivia Conway-Williams William Carroll-Nichols Elle Stothard Margaret Aigbekaen Maisie Cressday Shannon Lawton	Kathryn Rigby Kieron Frier Jamie Sigsworth Shannon Dalton Amber Taylor	Mariam Ogundimu Muhia Igbo Imogen Hockenhull Marho Igbo Leah Flannagan Abigail White	Melissa Collins



Life, sweetness, hope

Commendation	Half Colours	Full Colours	Distinction
Amelia Hill Maximus Povah Molly Houghton Daniel Haslam James Hallsworth	Amy Tennant Olivia Rose Kendall Archie Burke	Grace Gough Jack Hill	



Teach me Goodness  
and Knowledge and  
Discipline



# Living for Sport

Cardinal Langley PE Department were delighted to announce that they had teamed up with Sky Sports to take part in the "Sky Sports - Living for Sport" initiative. Ten chosen students from Year 8 are currently undertaking a 6 week programme where they will be given the opportunity to master the art of judo from externally qualified professionals and a former Team GB Judo Olympian.

The programme sees the boys travel to Rochdale Judo Club each week where they receive training to display both their physical and mental agility as they battle for dominance.

Judo means the 'gentle way' and adheres to the cornerstones of

politeness, courage, self-control, purity and respect. However, don't be

fooled. When it comes to this martial art, gentleness goes hand-in-hand with power, skill and agility.

The Sky Sports Ambassador mentoring the Year 8's throughout this process is two time Olympian, Sophie Cox. Sophie, from Rochdale, competed at both the 2004 Olympic Games in Greece and was a member of Team GB at the London Olympics in 2012 where she was beaten by the

eventual Gold medallist Kum Ae An of North Korea.

Sophie was in school throughout the morning of February 25<sup>th</sup> working alongside

our boys, teaching them the key values of success as well as talking about her own pathway from grassroots participation to elite sport and also

sharing some great stories about life as an Olympian... What were Usain Bolt and Mo Farrah

REALLY like in person? After a morning

based in school, our boys made their way to Rochdale Judo Club where

they got to experience judo first hand from the very person that trained Sophie from a child, all the way through to a two time Olympian and ranked #2 in Europe. It was a great experience for all involved.



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The boys taking part are; Isaac Darren-Cryer, Mark Thurston, Fuad Kasali, Nicholas Bradshaw, Daniel Carter, Logan Gilheaney, Ellis Clayton, Thomas Worsley, Jake Smith, Luke Brady and Tom Brady.





# Female Football Focus

## **Congratulations to the Girls U12 football team in winning the Rochdale Regional Futsal Tournament.**

Their reward was a trip to Oakwell, the home of League One side Barnsley FC, where the girls represented Rochdale Football Club and Cardinal Langley in a regional 6 a side tournament. The girls were competing against academy players from professional football clubs such as Leeds United, Hull City, Middlesbrough, Huddersfield Town, Bradford City and... Borussia Dortmund?

The majority of the girls at the tournament were a

couple of years older than our girls but they stayed confident and put on a determined and solid defensive performance. Despite narrow 2:0

almost snatched a deserved 1:1 draw, narrowly losing 1:0. The final match saw the girls face Bradford City and everything came to fruition as the girls played really

well en route to a 2:1 victory. Player of the tournament Alyssa Perry ran the length of the pitch beating every Bradford defender at least once to put the girls 1:0 up before a cool second half strike from Ashleigh Beard gave the girls the victory.

Well done to Alyssa Perry, Ashleigh Beard,

Georgina Sutton, Rebecca Smith, Kelci Fediak, Bethany Grimes, Annastatia Gregory and Katie Scoffin.



defeats in their opening matches to Middlesbrough and Hull, the girls then faced the best team at the tournament in Leeds United and

As a further reward for their success, the girls were invited along as guests of honour to a recent Rochdale FC football match where they were presented with their trophy on the pitch at half time and also got to hang out with Desmond the Dragon.





# James Secures Place on England Cerebral Palsy Team



16 year old James Farmer from Middleton has been selected for the England Under 19s Cerebral Palsy Football Team. James is a former student of Cardinal Langley who thrived in a sporting environment and excelled in Football despite his physical condition.

James, who is studying for a Diploma in Sport at Hopwood Hall College, has physical mobility difficulties due to cerebral palsy. However, he does not let this hold him back. Since 2013 he has had a regular place on the Manchester City Cerebral Palsy team who will be playing in Switzerland next year. And now, through hard work, training and a big dose of determination, he's managed to get on to the England Under 19s Cerebral Palsy squad.

Tariq Mazharuddin, who is a Learning Support Assistant at the College, describes James: "He is a determined and talented young man who also supports other learners with his great experience."

The College's Student Support Team organises weekly Learning Difficulties and Disabilities (LDD) enrichment activities, including the regular football sessions that James and his fellow students take part in (see pic). Students with Learning difficulties and/or disabilities are invited to attend the sessions and join in and have some fun. This year, they are also hoping to raise awareness of the Muscular Dystrophy UK charity by seeking the team's involvement in ideas for fund raising or sponsored events.

James has also just been made captain of the Manchester City under 16 Pan Disability football team.

## Netball News



**Congratulations to the Year 9 Netball team** after their fantastic victory away to Crompton House this week. Anna Gifford was voted "Player of the Match" as the girls steamrolled their opponents in a 35-5 victory.



## Year 7 Indoor Athletics



**Pupils from Year 7 headed to Kingsway Park** to take part in the Rochdale Schools Indoor Athletics Competition. Competing in running, throwing and jumping events our Year 7 Girls ended the day in 3rd place overall with the Year 7 Boys team 4th place overall. Congratulations to all who took part.



# Attendance

**Pupils are required to attend school for 190 days each year and our target for attendance in school is 97%**

Regular and punctual attendance is both a legal requirement and crucial to a pupil's success - there is a clear link between a high rate of attendance and high achievement. If pupils are not in lessons they cannot learn.

## EVERY LESSON REALLY DOES COUNT!

Statistics show that missing 8.5 days (17 sessions) of school in any school year can reduce the success level of a pupil by **1 GCSE grade**.

There may be a very good reason for absence from school, for example genuine illness and other medical issues, however there are many other reasons that cause pupils to have time off from school. If there are any reasons which are causing your child to not attend school please do not hesitate to contact Mrs Flitcroft our Pastoral Officer who can offer support to your child to improve attendance.

Where a pupil's attendance is below **90%**, it is the equivalent of missing **19 days** of school = nearly **4 weeks** or **95 lessons** per year!

**Attendance Matters - please contact us if you need support**

## End of Term Arrangements

The school will break up for the Easter holiday at **2:30pm** on Thursday 24<sup>th</sup> March 2016. Lessons will run as normal on this day and students should be wearing full school uniform.

We return to school on **Monday 11<sup>th</sup> April 2016**.

## Holiday Activity Club

Cardinal Langley is once again running its sports and activity club over the Easter holiday with activities suitable for children from Reception class up to age 13. The core session runs from 9:00am-3:00pm at a cost of £10 per child per day, with an "early bird" and "staying late" option available. More information and details on how to book can be found on the school website. Alternatively, please contact the School

Games Partnership by email to [rbsgp@clrchs.mobi](mailto:rbsgp@clrchs.mobi) or by telephoning 0161 643 4009 (ext. 244), or pick up a flier from Reception or the Community Sports Office.



## Exam News

# Easter Services



		St Peter's RC Church	Our Lady of the Assumption RC Church	St John Fisher RC Church	St Thomas More RC Church
		Taylor Street M24 1BQ	Bowness Road M24 4HN	Boarshaw Road M24 1PF	102 Mainway M24 1PP
24 <sup>th</sup> March <i>Maundy Thursday</i>	The Lord's Supper	7:00 p.m.	7:00 p.m.		7:30 p.m.
25 <sup>th</sup> March <i>Good Friday</i>	Stations of the Cross		10:30 a.m.		
	The Passion & Death of Our Lord	3:00 p.m.	3:00 p.m.	12:00 Noon	3:00 p.m.
26 <sup>th</sup> March <i>Easter Saturday</i>	Easter Vigil Mass	7:00 p.m.	6:30 p.m.		8:00 p.m.
27 <sup>th</sup> March <i>Easter Sunday</i>	Easter Mass	9:30 a.m.	10:30 a.m.	9:15 a.m.	11:00 a.m.
28 <sup>th</sup> March <i>Easter Monday</i>	Mass	10:00 a.m.			9:00 a.m.

## Year 12/13 Pre-Public Series

**11th April to 22nd April 2016**

## GCSE & GCE Summer Series

**16th May to 29th June 2016**

## Year 10 Pre-Public Series

**20th June to 24th June 2016**

## Governor Update...

Congratulations to Mrs Jane Evans, who was appointed to the role of parent governor following nominations in January, and to Mr Andrew Hudson, who was re-elected in the recent parent governor election with 66.6% of the vote.

Many thanks to all of the nominees and to all who voted.

## September 2017 Admissions Policy

Following the end of the consultation period, the policy for admissions applicable in and from September 2017 has been agreed by Governors and published on the school website. The deadline for lodging any objections with the Office of the Schools Adjudicator is 15<sup>th</sup> May 2016: <https://www.gov.uk/guidance/schools-adjudicator-make-an-objection-appeal-or-referral>