

Cardinal Langley RC High School

Headteacher: Mr A Bridson B.Sc. (Hons)

14th June 2017

Dear Parent /Carer,

We are fast approaching the end of this academic year and the Summer issue of the school newsletter will be coming out later this term. In the meantime, I would like to bring certain items to your attention.

Year 7 Retreats to Savio House - June & July

Retreat Dates	Form Class/es	
Monday 19 th - Wednesday 21 st June	day 21 st June 7NG 7DLB	
Wednesday 21 st - Friday 23 rd June	esday 21 st - Friday 23 rd June 7RM 7EG	
Monday 26 th - Wednesday 28 th June	esday 28 th June 7ARP 7MBM	
Wednesday 28 th - Friday 30 th June	7DEH	
Monday 3 rd - Wednesday 5 th July	7SEM	

Children attending Savio House must arrive in school by the usual time of 8:20am on the day of departure and should be wearing own clothing rather than school uniform. On the day of return, they will remain in school until the normal finishing time of 2:30pm (except those returning on Friday 30th June, which is an inset day; these children will need to be collected from school at approximately 12:30pm).

More information about the Savio House retreats, including a kit list and emergency contact numbers, can be found on the school website.

Open Evening - Thursday 29th June

If you are considering applying for a Year 7 place for your child here at Cardinal Langley, our open evening for Y4 & Y5 children and their parents/carers is on Thursday 29th June 2017 from 6:30pm-8:30pm.

(If you are a student considering your next move into further education, our Sixth Form open evening is on Thursday 28th September 2017 from 6:30pm - 8:30pm)

Inset Day - Friday 30th June

Parents/carers are reminded that there is an Inset Day in our school calendar on **Friday 30th June** and **the school will be closed to students on this day.**

Rewards Day - Thursday 6th July

As a reward for those students who have shown excellent behaviour, punctuality and attendance, as well as commitment to their studies this year, we are arranging a trip to Blackpool just before we break up for the Summer holiday. The trip will cost £30 per person and students will need to see their Head of Year for more information.



Founder's Day & Sports Day - Friday, 7th July

Founder's Day this year is on Friday, 7th July. This is a celebration of the distinct Lasallian tradition of our school and the Saint on whose teachings it is founded, St Jean Baptiste de la Salle. Mass will be celebrated in school in the morning, after which students will take part in the school's Sports Day. All students should come to school in the morning at the usual starting time and be ready dressed in their PE kit.

Depending on what time the sports activities finish, we expect that students will be dismissed early at around 1:30pm, as is the tradition on our Founder's Day. If this early finish will cause you any problems, please contact the school and we will make arrangements to supervise your child until the normal finishing time.

Last Day of Term – Friday 14th July

The school will break up for the Summer holiday on Friday 14th July 2017. Students should be wearing full school uniform. Lessons will run as normal periods 1-4 and, after lunch and afternoon registration, **they will be dismissed at the earlier time of** <u>1:30pm</u>.

Parents/carers are asked to please note that when there is an early finish the school buses may not run and there may not be a school crossing patrol.

Student Lockers

Students will need to make sure that they empty their locker and remove any padlocks before they leave on the last day of term - otherwise, padlocks will have to be cut off by the caretakers. Any personal belongings left behind over the Summer will be kept for two weeks in September, after which they will be given to charity shops. Lockers will be re-allocated in September by Mrs Fisher in Student Services.

Examination Results Day

Examination results will be available in school from Mrs Barton on the following days:

A-Levels:	Thursday 17 th August 2017 (Year 13 at 9:00am and Year 12 at 11:00am)
GCSEs:	Thursday 24 th August 2017 (Year 11 at 9:00am and Year 10 at 11:00am)

As always, we would ask all visitors to be considerate of our neighbours when parking outside school.

Sixth Form Enrolment – for September 2017

Year 13:	Thursday 17 [™] August 2017
Year 12:	Thursday 24 th August 2017

New Academic Year 2017-18

The 2017-18 academic year will commence for our new Year 7 and Year 12 students at 8:20am on Wednesday 6th September 2017. The remaining year groups will join them from Thursday 7th September. The 2017-18 term dates and holiday pattern are attached to this letter and are published on the following page of our website: <u>https://www.clrchs.co.uk/parents-students/school-timetable-term-dates/</u> along with the 2018-19 term dates for any parents/carers who are planning their holidays in advance.

Summer Holiday Activity Club

Cardinal Langley is once again running a sports and activity club over the Summer 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 – or call into Reception or the Community Sports Office for a flier.

School Meals

The cost of a standard school meal is likely to increase to £2.10 from 1st September 2017.

Many children in the UK are entitled to free school meals but often parents are not aware that they are eligible or they choose not to claim their entitlement. We would like to encourage parents and carers to apply for free school meals for their child for two main reasons:

Your child can select a good-quality, healthy lunch each school day using their personal catering account, the same as other students and staff do.

The school can claim Pupil Premium funding for every child receiving their free school meal entitlement. This additional funding helps us to provide a wider range of opportunities and learning experiences for your child.

More information on how we use our Pupil Premium funding can be found on the following page of the school website: <u>https://www.clrchs.co.uk/school-information/premium-spending/</u>

For more information about free school meals, please contact Mr Rainey here at school or visit the RMBC webpage <u>http://www.rochdale.gov.uk/schools_and_education/free_school_meals.aspx</u>

School Buses and Concessionary Fares

The timetable for the school bus services to and from Cardinal Langley RC High School is published by Transport for Greater Manchester and can be found on the following page of the school website: https://www.clrchs.co.uk/parents-students/school-bus-services/

Daily and weekly saver tickets are available from the driver. Children aged 11-16 require an igo pass in order to pay the concessionary fare on public transport within Greater Manchester. Information about igo passes can be found on the following webpage http://igo.tfgm.com/

Students aged 16-19 can apply for a Scholar's Pass. For more information and full terms and conditions please visit the following page of the TfGM website:

http://www.tfgm.com/journey_planning/Tickets/Pages/tickets_concessionary.aspx

School Uniform

Once again, we would like to thank parents and carers for their support in ensuring that students come to school in full school uniform. We have clear rules on uniform and appearance; more information can be found in student journals and on the following page of the school website: https://www.clrchs.co.uk/parents-students/uniform/

May we remind you that:

- Trainers, boots and canvas shoes are not allowed as footwear; shoes displaying a designer brand or logo are also against policy. Examples of acceptable school footwear can be found on the school website.
- Hoodies are not part of school uniform and students will be expected to remove theirs, without argument, as soon as they arrive at school.
- The only items of jewellery allowed are a watch and a single, plain, 'gold' or 'silver' stud in the lobe of the ear.
- Nail varnish, false nails, false eyelashes and make-up are not allowed.
- Hairstyles should be tidy, no shorter than a number 2 and of one, natural colour and not dyed.

Students who do not comply with the uniform rules will face a consequence, which may include removal/confiscation of the items and/or an internal exclusion.

Governors' Statement of Behaviour Principles

The governors are considering their Statement of Behaviour Principles, which can be found on the following page of the school website: <u>https://www.clrchs.co.uk/school-information/policies/</u> Any comments regarding this draft document should be addressed to the Chair of Governors and sent into school in writing before we break up on Friday 14th July.

Internet Safety

Internet access is closely monitored in school but many students have access to unfiltered content through their mobile data. I would ask that parents are regularly monitoring the apps that their children are using to ensure they are safe and appropriate. Some social media and video chat apps can be used by adults who seek out conversations with children and place them at risk. We are aware of some students using the 'House Party' video chat app and recommend that all parents specifically check that this has been removed. We are planning an internet Safety Awareness Evening for parents and will contact you with further details when available. Please report any concerns to the school Safeguarding Team.

May we remind parents/carers that students are not permitted to use their mobile phone in school, unless as part of a learning activity and only when instructed by the teacher. Phones must be switched off and put away at all other times. Anyone seen using a mobile against school rules will have it confiscated until the end of the day. If confiscated more than once, parents/carers will need to make arrangements to come into school to collect the phone from Reception at the end of the school week. Please note that Reception is closed after 3:30pm.

School Safety

I request that parents are vigilant about what students are bringing into school as any items that could be considered dangerous will be confiscated and may be reported to the police. The safety of our students is our highest priority and I am sure I can rely on your support. Again, please report any concerns to the school Safeguarding Team.

Staying Safe over the Summer Holiday

Please might we take this opportunity to ask parents and carers to remind their children about staying safe over the Summer holiday, especially on the roads and when out and about near water and other potential hazards such as railways, level crossings and building sites.

More information can be found on the following websites:

<u>http://www.rospa.com/</u> <u>http://www.rospa.com/leisure-safety/water/advice/children-young-people/</u> https://www.networkrail.co.uk/communities/safety-in-the-community/

Finally, I would like to thank you on behalf of all the staff and governors for your continued support of our school community. We are immensely proud of all of our students and their many gifts and talents.

We would like to wish our students the very best of luck with their exams and a well-deserved and enjoyable Summer break.

We look forward to welcoming our new and returning students in the Autumn term.

Yours faithfully,

A Bridson Headteacher



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SCHOOL YEAR CALENDAR 2017-18

AUTUMN	Wednesday 6 th September 2017 (Y7 & Y12)	Monday 23 rd October 2017	Thursday 21 st December 2017
	Term commences for Y8-Y11 & Y13 on Thursday 7 th September 2017	to Friday 27 th October 2017	Thursday 21 st December 2017 <i>Well-Being Day (School Holiday)</i> – <i>Monday 4th December 2017</i>
	CHRISTMAS HOLIDAY – Friday 2	2 nd December 2017 – Friday 5 th Januar	y 2018 Inclusive
SPRING	Tuesday 9 th January 2018 Inset Day - Monday 8 th January 2018 (school closed to students)	Monday 12 th February 2018 to Friday 16 th February 2018	Thursday 29 th March 2018
	EASTER HOLIDAY – Frida	ay 30 th March – Friday 13 th April 2018 I	nclusive
SUMMER	Monday 16 th April 2018 Bank Holiday Monday 7 th May 2018 (school closed)	Monday 28 th May 2018 to Friday 1 st June 2018	Wednesday 25 th July 2018 Inset Day - Friday 29 th June 2018 (school closed to students)
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