



Cardinal Langley RC High School

'An Outstanding Catholic School' S48, March 2017

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Dear Parent / Carer

Thank you for all your support this week; it has been an extremely positive week for the whole school with students all focussed on getting back into routines for the new school year. Standards of uniform have been excellent and please do continue to play your vital part in supporting this.

It has been wonderful to welcome all of our students back to school and the in school testing has only identified a very small number of Covid-19 cases. This is excellent news and we ask for your support with the following to ensure this continues:

- Students have been given home test kits and we ask that they continue the twice weekly testing at home.
- If students show any of the three main Covid-19 symptoms, please do not send them to school and arrange for a PCR test at one of the local centres.
- Students are encouraged to regularly use the sanitizer stations around school and the 'Catch it, Bin it, Kill it' procedure should they cough or sneeze.
- Follow the advice of NHS Test & Trace should anyone in your household be identified as a close contact.

I am optimistic that there will be significantly less disruption to education this year and ask for your support in keeping the number of cases as low as possible. Please inform school if your son / daughter tests positive and follow any guidance from NHS Test & Trace.

Although many of the restrictions in school have eased, we remain cautious in our approach and have an Outbreak Management Plan should cases rise and restrictions need to be introduced. You can view our risk assessment on the school website.

Parents' Evenings

As part of our cautious approach at the start of the year we are continuing with virtual parents' evenings for at least this term and have purchased new software to improve the experience. Details of parents' evenings will be sent out nearer the time.

Year 6 Open Evening

We are committed to welcoming families of Year 6 students to a physical Open Evening this year, whilst also ensuring this is done in a safe manner. In order to allow families to experience what we have to offer, but also limit numbers in the building, we will be operating a booking system with 4 slots available. Each session will follow the same format and will start with an introduction from the Headteacher in the hall followed by a student led tour. The available times are:





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- Wednesday 29th September at 4.00pm
- Wednesday 29th September at 5.30pm
- Thursday 30th September at 4.00pm
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If you have a son / daughter in Year 6 and would like to attend our Open Evening, please book using the link below or by contacting the school office on 01616434009. To help manage the numbers on site we ask that a maximum of two people attend per family.

[Open Evening Booking Form](#)

Or paste the following into your browser

<https://outlook.office365.com/owa/calendar/G5f402bea5b0e4885b7216e3c19a2ca60@clrchs.mobi/bookings/>

The risk assessment for the evening can be accessed [here](#) and I ask that you follow the guidance regarding hand sanitizer and social distancing. Please do not attend if you are unwell or have any Covid-19 symptoms.

If you have a child in Year 5 there will be a separate Open Evening on Thursday 30th July 2022.

Catering Facilities

We are proud of the high quality catering offered at school and are continuing to offer a food court style system to increase student choice. Please ensure that students have their cashless fob with them each day. Replacement fobs are charged at 70p each.

The ParentPay system can be used to top up student accounts. If you need to reset your username or password, then please email admin@clrchs.co.uk for support.

Laptop Loan Scheme

A laptop loan scheme is in operation to enable students to borrow a device for a 24-hour period if required for homework / study. This is a self-service system and is located in the main Village Square. Students use their cashless fob to borrow and return devices.

Enrichment Activities

Now that restrictions have eased, we will be restarting our trips and after school clubs. A list of clubs and societies will be circulated next week.

Academic Recovery

We have a range of support in place to enable all students to catching up on lost curriculum time and are part of the Government's National Tutor Programme. We will also be appointing academic mentors in core subjects to provide individual and small group tuition as well. Please rest assured that we will be making sure all students have the support they need to get them back on track, whether this be emotionally or in their learning.





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Entitlement Curriculum

We have undertaken a thorough review of our Year 7 – 9 curriculum, and have taken the National Curriculum as a baseline and complemented it with additional skills and experiences we believe are important for all students in our school. The following activities have been included in the curriculum and a summary of the topics taught are attached. All of these 'Entitlement' trips and activities are either free for students or heavily subsidised to ensure all students have access.

- Play a musical instrument – wider opportunities offered to all Year 7
- Learn about the local area – Geography Year 7 Passport to Manchester
- Visit to Art gallery – Year 8 Liverpool Tate
- Visit to Theatre – Year 9 English Manchester writers visit
- Visit to Museum – Science / Computing / DT visit to Museum of Science & Industry
- Visit to a National Park – Year 7 Geography
- Visit to Cathedral - Year 9 Salford Cathedral
- Meal in a restaurant – Year 7 Christmas meal
- STEM Project – Year 7 rocket cars
- Learn first aid – Year 9 PE curriculum
- Learn financial management – Life Skills curriculum
- Learn how to look after your well-being – Life Skills curriculum
- Take part in a formal debate – English curriculum
- Perform in front of an audience – music, drama, sport
- Be involved in a charity – Form Time programme
- Learn about the environment – Mission Week, cross curricular mapping
- Join a club or society – Societies Fair for Year 7
- Enterprise – Year 8 Computing

Unfortunately, it will not be possible to go back and catch up on any activities or trips that have been missed due to the pandemic but we hope that those planned for this year will not be disrupted.

I will continue to send regular updates so that you have all the information you need to make sure the start of term goes as smoothly as possible.

Mr A Bridson
Headteacher

