

Cardinal Langley's VOICE



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Showcasing Student Talent

It's been a busy last week in the Creative Arts department. Firstly, our amazing choir were selected to showcase their talent at Disneyland Paris last weekend. They sang a number of hits as part of Disney's Performing Arts programme and enjoyed exploring the theme park rides. Well done everyone; we hope you enjoyed it! Thank you to everyone involved.

Tuesday 18th July then saw a number of students take part in the Summer Showcase. What a huge success it was! We had performances from: the Disney choir, a folk band, rock bands, the wind band, brass group, Year 7 choir, and soloists including Lola and Leon. One parent said '...thank you to the school and music team for an amazing show. Both my girls have grown in confidence as the year has gone on.'

Well done to our amazing performers and roll on next year!



Disneyland Paris 2023



Rest in Peace Mr MacCarron

John MacCarron taught at Cardinal Langley from 1963 to 1990. He taught French, Latin, Religion, Woodwork and Sports with the emphasis on Rugby. John also was Director of Sixth Form studies in his final years at Cardinal Langley. He loved his time at Cardinal Langley and missed the interaction with the students.

John was diagnosed with Parkinson's disease when he was 50 but he didn't let that get him down and became a Councillor for Stockport. In

1993/4, he was asked to become deputy Mayor. In 1994/5 he became Mayor and used the year raising money for Beechwood Cancer Care in Stockport. During his year he visited as many schools as possible and was very interested in what the children did.

He became involved in the RAF Air Cadets, teaching children life in the RAF where they got to fly in various planes and learn more skills. John was the Commanding Officer of 1804 Squadron and loved every moment of it.

John's health deteriorated and sadly John passed away on the 13th March 2023.



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An Outing to Oxford

On Friday 23rd June, eight Year 11 students had a *very* long day, heading down to Pembroke College, Oxford for the OxNet Programme trip. It was organised by Miss R Campbell to gain an insight into life as a student at Oxford University.

Below, you can read some of the students' thoughts about the day:

'My trip to Pembroke College, Oxford was very enlightening to the experiences students have at the university. The lectures were entertaining, and I learnt (in depth) about a range of fascinating topics such as quantum physics and exactly how it can benefit our lives. While at the university, I enjoyed a high-quality meal (although, not in the main hall as it was being renovated) and learnt a lot about the steps I can take moving forward after A-levels. Overall, it was a thoroughly intriguing experience that I would recommend to many.' **Olivia**

'The trip to Oxford was so amazing, it's an experience I will always appreciate. Being from the north I didn't expect to go anywhere near Oxford so to be able to listen to lectures today was amazing. Everything they taught was so interesting and captivating. I am now confident that Oxford is a university that I would like to apply to.'

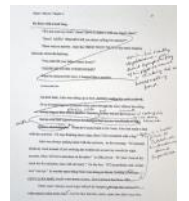
Lydia

'I had a very interesting, but also inspiring experience whilst visiting Oxford University today along with some of my peers. Originally, despite my excitement, I was also quite nervous on the coach journey, however, my emotions had transformed by the time that I had finished my first 'lecture' style talk of the day. There appeared to be a culture of questioning and deep thought that I observed whilst at Oxford. Nothing has a definite answer. This initially seemed quite intimidating to me. However, behind the extravagant gargoyles and intricately designed lecture halls are some extremely perceptive, intriguing thinkers who do not judge, but rather listen and try to understand. The environment felt warm and welcoming. Although I am still unsure whether pursuing a degree at Oxford University is the option for me, I think this journey has been very beneficial and will most certainly equip me in learning to not place any limits upon my interests and future intentions.'

Jeffrey



Meeting Tom Rogers



During the summer term, all of our Year 7 students got to meet novelist and screenplay writer, Tom Rogers. Tom lives in California, USA, and hosted a call with us at 5:45am! During his presentation, he talked to the children about the process of writing his novel, 'Eleven' (a novel that we studied earlier in the year), his inspiration for becoming a writer and his work and career at Disney Studios. Tom answered a number of questions from our students that enabled them to really understand the reasons behind why Tom made some of the decisions he did during the process of writing 'Eleven', and why he was so passionate about telling the story of 9/11 through the eyes of his eleven-year-old protagonist, Alex. We very much enjoyed listening to the interesting stories that he told and the answers he gave to the questions asked by the classes.



The Power of Voice

During the summer term, we had the privilege to host Amina Atiq in our school. Amina is a poet, performance artist and creative campaigner, passionate about nurturing the voices in young people. In collaboration with The National Literacy Trust, Amina has started working on a project with some of our Year 7 and 8 students called 'The Power of Voice.' We are very excited, and we look forward to updating you with the progress of the children involved.



They are working towards completing their final pieces covering a social topic of their choosing, with their work due to be published in the UK later this summer.



Sponsored Walk

On Monday, pupils and staff took part in our sponsored walk, raising vital funds for the Good Life Orphanage in Kenya. They walked (or ran!) six miles from school to Tandle Hill Country Park. Well done to everyone involved, and thank you for your contributions towards the GLO.



Goodbye & Good Luck

Over the past couple of weeks, Year 11 and Year 13 students celebrated the end of their Cardinal Langley journeys with a meal or a Prom. Both nights were fantastic occasions, where staff and students came together to celebrate the end of exams. We wish our students the best of luck for their futures, and look forward to welcoming some of our Year 11s back in September as they join our Sixth Form.



End of Term Arrangements

School will break up for the Summer holiday at 1:30pm (after lunch) on Friday 21st July 2023. We will hold our Founder's Day Mass at 8:45am and lessons will run as normal Periods 3 and 4.

Please be aware that the school buses may not run at this time and there may not be a school crossing patrol.

Start of Term Arrangements

New Academic Year: 2023-24

The Autumn term starts for our new Year 7 students and Year 12 students on *Wednesday 6th 2023*.

Students from remaining year groups will join them from *Thursday 7th September 2023*.

Staying Safe Over the Summer Holiday

Please may we take this opportunity to ask parents and carers to remind their children about staying safe over the Summer holiday. This is especially important when on the roads and when out and about near water, railway lines, building sites, etc.

Settling In Evenings

As parents' evenings are now face to face, we will only be holding Settling in Evenings for Year 7 and Sixth Form during the Autumn term:

Year 7 - Wednesday 27th September

Sixth Form - Thursday 5th October



Examination results will be available in school from the Village Square on the following days:

A Levels: Thursday 17th August 2023

(Year 13 at 9:00am and Year 12 at 11:00am)

GCSEs: Thursday 24th August 2023

(Year 11 at 9:00am and Year 10 at 11:00am)

6th Form Enrolment (for September 2023):

Year 12:
Thursday 24th August

(GCSE Results Day)

Parking & Road Safety

As always, we urge parents and carers to not park on pavements, or in bus bays or the cycle lane, or blocking neighbours' drives, or anywhere you might be causing an obstruction.

Please do not use the visitor car park as a drop off and collection point, **unless you require it for disabled access**, as this is causing congestion on the school grounds and adding to the problems on Rochdale Road.

If you are considering public transport as a better option for your child's journey to and from school, details of school bus services can be found on the school website:

<https://www.clrchs.co.uk/parents-students/school-bus-services/>

CARDINAL LANGLEY RC HIGH SCHOOL SCHOOL YEAR CALENDAR 2023 - 24

TERM	TERM STARTS	HALF TERM	TERM ENDS
AUTUMN	Wednesday 6 th September 2023 (Y7 & Y12) Term commences for Y8 - 11 & Y13 on Thursday 7 th September	Friday 20 th October to Friday 27 th October <i>(School breaks up on Thursday 19th October)</i>	Friday 22 nd December 2023
CHRISTMAS HOLIDAY – Monday 25th December 2023 – Monday 8th January 2024 Inclusive			
SPRING	Tuesday 9 th January 2024	Monday 19 th February to Friday 23 rd February	Thursday 28 th March 2024
EASTER HOLIDAY – Monday 3rd April – Friday 14th April 2023 Inclusive			
SUMMER	Monday 15 th April 2024 Bank Holiday Monday 6th May (school closed)	Monday 27 th May to Friday 31 st May	Tuesday 23 rd July 2024 Inset Day - Friday 28th June (school closed to students)

Bus Fares and Igo Passes

An igo pass is required for children aged 11-16 to pay the concessionary fare on public transport within Greater Manchester. It costs £10 and lasts until 31st August after a child's 16th birthday. More information about igo passes can be found at: <https://tfgm.com/tickets-and-passes/igo-pass>

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Please note: Bus drivers can and do refuse to issue a concessionary fare to a child without the correct pass.

Term-Time Absence

Changes to regulations came about in September 2013.

Headteachers may only authorise term-time leave in exceptional circumstances and are no longer permitted to authorise leave of absence for family holidays, including family celebrations that involve an extended stay or an extension to a school holiday period, or other recreational activities during term-time. Please bear this in mind when planning your 2023-24 holidays and family events. Unauthorised leave is recorded and may result in the issue of a fixed penalty notice. Term dates can be found here: <https://www.clrchs.co.uk/parents-students/school-timetable-term-dates/>