

Cardinal Langley's VOICE

Inspired by Faith, Education Leads to Progress



Cardinal Langley's Catholic Spirit

This term, staff and students have committed fully to the Catholic life and ethos of our school by participating in a range of events and activities.

As well as holding a staff reflective liturgy with Sr. MaryJohn, we held our annual Founder's Day Mass. This saw staff and students celebrate the Jubilee year and the 75th anniversary of St John Baptist De La Salle being the Patron Saint of Teachers.

Back in June, Year 8 students received the gift of the Holy Spirit at Confirmation. A big thank you to Fr. Boniface, Fr. Tadgh and Fr. Michael who helped the students and families celebrate.

Finally, we said goodbye to our departing Year 11 students with an end of year Mass to wish them well on their onward journeys. Good luck and God bless, Year 11.



Charity Prevails

This term has again shown the generosity and kindness of pupils, their families and staff at Cardinal Langley. As well as the main school raising £500 for Middleton Foodbank, our Sixth Form students organised a fundraising concert for the British Red Cross. They raised £150 and put on a great show!

Year 7 also helped to raise money for Cancer Research by holding a bake sale in the Village Square. Thank you to everyone for your charitable spirit and donations.



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Workplace Visit for Budding Year 9s



Last week saw our Year 10 students go out in to the world of industry through their work experience placements. There was lots of positive feedback from employers and placements.

Alongside this, 13 Year 9 students went on an exciting workplace visit. They went to Chadwick's of Bury with Miss Green and our Enterprise Advisor, Mr Nugent, to see how a world leading business in heat-sealing pre-cut lids operates.

Members of staff at Chadwick's discussed different careers available at their business and routes possible to get the qualifications required. Students watched a video created by degree apprentices at Chadwick's explaining their experience learning on the job whilst studying for their degree. Students then had a tour of the factory, looking at the different parts of the production line and learning the process of manufacturing heat-sealed pre-cut lids.



Glorious Garden in Bloom

Our school garden has been in good hands this term.

A number of Year 9 students who are taking part in an Allyship course visited a local garden centre to purchase plants for the garden.

Their aim is to be allies for females, to ensure violence against women and girls is tackled, and also to address males' mental health and wellbeing through the gardening project.

The plants and flowers they purchased and planted have become a lovely feature in the garden.

As well as tending to the school garden, students (and staff) visited a local allotment to speak to owners who gave them gardening advice and a generous gift of strawberry plant cuttings. We can't wait for these to flower and fruit over the summer.



Duke of Edinburgh

This term's glorious weather has meant we've enjoyed lots of opportunities to enjoy the outdoors and nature. As well as the Allyship course, students in Year 10 took part in the Duke of Edinburgh Award, exploring the local countryside whilst walking and camping



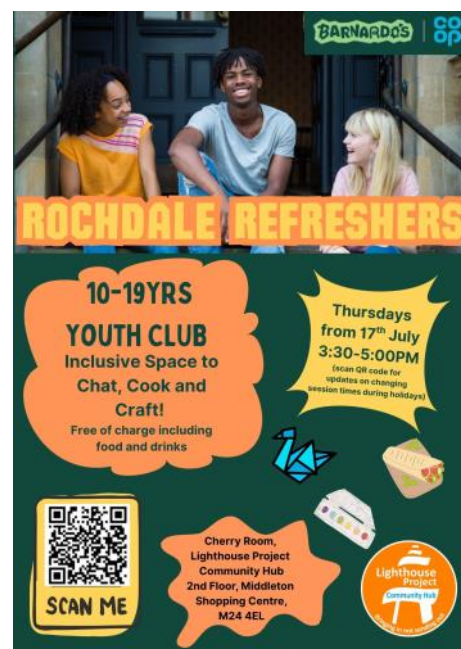
Summer Activities

There are a number of free activities to be enjoyed in Middleton over the Summer holiday:

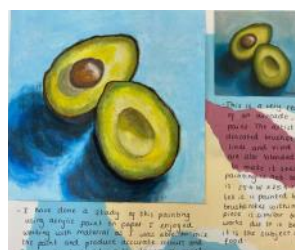
- Youth Club for 10-19 year olds - Thursdays 3:30-5:30pm at the Lighthouse Project
- Middleton Holiday at Home - lots of free activities provided through Your Trust:

<https://www.yourtrustrochdale.co.uk/middleton-holiday-at-home-2025/>

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Creative Artwork



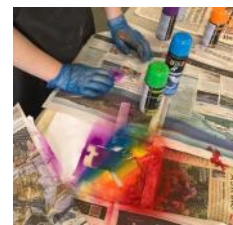
Our creative students have once again excelled in their art classes; they have been busy creating varied works of art, covering a number of styles and learning about different artists.

Year 7 were lucky enough to take part in a special workshop to design and create a tote bag. They made stencils and then used spray paint and acrylics to add colour. Well done everyone, and enjoy using your bags!



Year 8 students had the opportunity to join Sr. MaryJohn in an art class. They designed wooden anchors and wrote prayers as part of a cross-curricular session.

Finally, each week, students are nominated by their teacher to be a 'Top Banana' - will you be next?!



Goodbye and Farewell

The end of the school year sees a number of valued staff members leaving Cardinal Langley to enjoy a well-deserved retirement.

Mrs Mysko (34 years as Lunchtime Assistant & Cleaner-in-Charge), Mr O'Loughlin (31 years in the Languages Department), Mrs Abbott (29 years in the Finance Office), Mrs Heapy (15 years as Lunchtime Assistant & Cleaner) and Mrs Massey (3 years as Cleaner) are all retiring after many years of outstanding service.

I would like to express our sincere thanks for all their contributions to the life of Cardinal Langley and wish them all a long and happy retirement.



Year 11 Leavers



Year 11 students celebrated the end of their Cardinal Langley journeys with a Prom in July. The night was a fantastic occasion, 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 them back in September as they join our Sixth Form.



Sixth Form Farewell



Year 13 students enjoyed a farewell meal in Manchester to celebrate their time here at Cardinal Langley. It has been a pleasure working with you and we wish you all the luck in the world as you embark on your next chapter. We hope it brings you everything you wish for. God bless.



Another Incredible Sporting Year

This year, we are so proud of all our students, both during lessons and during extra-curricular PE.

We are especially delighted to announce that we have achieved the School Games Gold Level Mark Award for 2024 / 25. This is a Government-led award scheme launched in 2012. It is facilitated by the Youth Sport Trust to reward schools for their commitment to the development of

competition across their school and the community. As we have now held the Gold award for 5 years, school can apply for Platinum status next academic year.

A huge thank you is extended to the PE department for their hard work and dedication, especially as they give up their time to ensure students have the opportunities to take part in competitions, events and extra-curricular activities. A total of 22 tournaments were planned and held here at Cardinal Langley this year, and many miles were covered taking teams to compete in local and national competitions.

We are extremely proud of our pupils for their dedication to all aspects of school sport, including our young volunteers, leaders and officials who made our competitions possible.

We've listed just *some* of the incredible achievements on the next page.



Year 7

- Boys Football - Rochdale Cup champions, Catholic Cup runners-up
- Girls Football - English Schools 2nd round, Indoor champions, GMSFA 2nd round
- Athletics - Boys 1st Rochdale, Quad-Kid Boys 1st, Girls 2nd Rochdale

Year 8

- Boys Football - Catholic Cup runners-up, GMSFA semi-finalists, League Winners
- Handball - Girls 1st Rochdale, Girls 3rd Greater Manchester Schools
- Netball - Rochdale champions
- Basketball - 3rd in Rochdale
- Rounders - 1st in Rochdale and Catholic Schools
- Athletics - Indoor champions



Year 9

- Dodgeball - 1st (Junior side)
- Badminton - Girls runners-up
- Cricket - 1st in Rochdale
- Netball - 2nd in Rochdale
- Boys Football - Rochdale Cup runners-up



Year 10

- Boys Football - Rochdale Cup winners
- Girls Football - 4th across all Rochdale schools
- Handball - Boys came 3rd and the Girls finished 1st
- Athletics - Boys placed 3rd and Girls came 2nd
- Rounders - Rochdale runners-up



Year 11

- Boys Football - Catholic Cup winners
- Girls Football - Runners-up amongst the Rochdale schools
- Netball - Undefeated across their 5-year CL journey



End of Term Arrangements

The school will break up for the Summer holiday at 1:30pm (after lunch) on Tuesday 22nd July 2025. Lessons will run as normal periods 1-4 on this day and students should be wearing full school uniform. 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: 2025-26
The Autumn term starts for our new Year 7 students and Year 12 students on *Wednesday 3rd September 2025*.
Students from remaining year groups will join them from *Thursday 4th September 2025*.

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

Parents' evenings are now face-to-face. We will be holding Settling In Evenings for Year 7 and Sixth Form during the Autumn term on Thursday 2nd October 2025.

Parking and 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.



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

A Levels: Thursday 14th August 2025
(Year 13 at 8:00am and Year 12 at 11:00am)
GCSEs: Thursday 21st August 2025
(Year 11 at 9:00am and Year 10 at 11:00am)


6th Form Enrolment (for September 2024):

Year 13:
Thursday 14th August
Year 12:
Thursday 21st August

Please do not use the visitor car park as a drop-off and collection point, unless you require it for disability access, as this is causing congestion on 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 2025 - 26			
TERM	TERM STARTS	HALF TERM	TERM ENDS
AUTUMN	Wednesday 3 rd September 2025 (Y7 & Y12) Term commences for Y8 - 11 & Y13 on Thursday 4 th September	Friday 24 th October to Friday 31 st October <i>School breaks up for half term on Thursday 23rd October</i>	Friday 19 th December 2025
CHRISTMAS HOLIDAY – Monday 22nd December 2025 – Friday 2nd January 2026 Inclusive			
SPRING	Monday 5 th January 2026	Friday 13 th February to Friday 20 th February <i>School breaks up for half term on Thursday 12th February</i>	Thursday 2 nd April 2026
EASTER HOLIDAY – Friday 3rd April – Friday 17th April 2026 Inclusive			
SUMMER	Monday 20 th April 2026 <i>Bank Holiday Monday 4th May (school closed)</i>	Monday 25 th May to Friday 29 th May	Tuesday 21 st July 2026 <i>Inset Day - TBC (school closed to students)</i>

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>

More information about school bus services can be found on the following school webpage: <https://www.clrchs.co.uk/parents-students/school-bus-services/>

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 2025-26 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/>