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**CARDINAL HEENAN**  
CATHOLIC HIGH SCHOOL  
*Putting Our Faith in Education*

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Dear Parents

## Lourdes



Today we welcome back Lourdes pilgrims who have survived the 700 mile journey home after nine wonderful days as part of the 2017 Diocesan Pilgrimage. Our pupils put themselves at the service of elderly and sick pilgrims, taking them to Masses and processions. They used their talents as altar servers, musicians, readers and singers, prayed the Stations of the Cross, organised a garden party for the Leeds Diocese, placed prayer petitions from family members, lit candles and offered Masses for loved ones at the grotto. Franciscan sisters and friars led catechetical sessions to help pupils deepen their sacramental journey, faith and prayer. Congratulations to the Year 10 students who took part: Trishia Amores, Rachel Angstmann, Grace Armitage, Angelica Barcenilla, Heather Bellamy, Niamh Cassidy, Ellie Cavanagh, Mia Cavanagh, Winona Clinnick, Isaac Coleman, Paige Coulton, Liv Dalton, Olivia Duffy, Orla Flannery, Jennifer Harrington, Keyano Heyliger, Niamh Hunter, Molly Innes, Nevis Jeffers, Lillie Joseph, Ruby Joseph, Kate McDermott, Sinead McSorley, Molly McWilliams, Sara Mendoza, Cindy Moyo, Aine O'Hara, Carolina Ranninger, Sebastian Rea, Caspar Rea, Milla Roberts, Anna Ruud, Shreyaa Sathiyarayanan, Emily Scott, Teegan Shires, Adam Smith, Gabrielle Stapleton, Kripa Varghese and Una Ward. Many thanks to the staff who accompanied them: Mrs O'Neill, Visit Leader, Mr. Wild, Miss Waite, Mrs. Fieldhouse, Mrs. Woliter, Governor, and Fr Sean Crowley, School Chaplain.

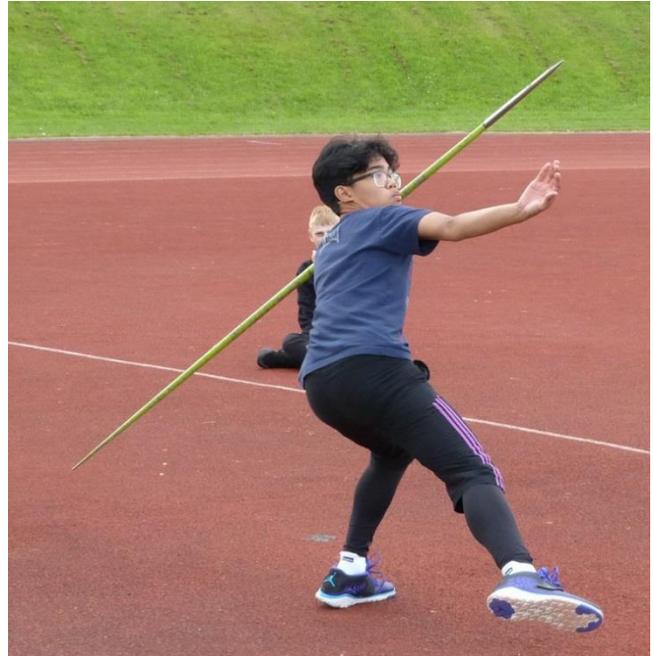
## Work Experience

Year 10 pupils are travelling throughout Leeds (and beyond) to attend work experience placements this week and next. They are working in offices, factories, hospitals, workshops and outdoors, gaining valuable insights into careers in law, journalism, manufacturing, engineering, sport and much more. Thanks to all parents who helped our pupils to find 180 placements and to Mr Gaffey, Careers Guidance Coordinator, who worked very hard to organise this valuable learning experience. Please contact him if you are able to offers a placement in 2018.



Stephen Lawrence  
EDUCATION STANDARD

## Sports Day



The entire school decamped to the John Charles Centre for Sport on Thursday 13 July, for our annual Sports Day. Large numbers of pupils took part in the full range of athletic events. Many thanks to the PE department for organising the event and to all who participated in a most successful sporting occasion.

### Black Belt Award for Daisy

Year 9 pupil Daisy Weekes has become a Black Belt First Dan in kickboxing with British military martial arts. The award was granted after a two day assessment process including a written examination and tests of hill running, fitness and sparring. Congratulations to Daisy on a notable achievement.



### **Athletics Honours**

Congratulations to the Year 10 girls' athletics team who were runners up in the Leeds schools athletics finals: Emily Driscoll, Victoria Besa, Aaliyah Rowe, Mariana Moilinga, Imani Todman, Sheryl Pamisa, Giovita Moutcheu, Lorraine Thomas and Ese Ogieva.

### **Helping St Paul's**

Many thanks to Year 8 pupils who helped to organise a recent Sports Day for pupils and parents at one of our feeder schools, St Paul's Catholic Primary School. Feargus Hagerty, Aidan Moriarty, Caitlin McQuillen-Strong, Sarah Brady and Aisha Sajjad were very helpful to the parents, staff and pupils at St Paul's, helping to make it a very successful occasion. The photo shows a demonstration of how to run an obstacle race!



### **Reading and Activity Days**

Parents are reminded that pupils are required to wear full school uniform on our Celebrating Reading Day next Monday, 17 July, but may wear their own clothes for the Activity Days on Tuesday and Wednesday, 18 and 19 July, in return for a voluntary contribution to charity. PE kit will be required on all three days.

### **Dangers**

West Yorkshire Police have issued warnings about dangers of exploring disused buildings. Separate incidents in Leeds during last three weeks have led to one death and two pupils with serious injuries that will have lasting consequences. As the holiday approaches staff are reminding pupils of the dangers of entering abandoned buildings and other hazardous places such as building sites. Be safe during the forthcoming holiday.

### **Awaiting the Results**

GCSE results will be available in school from 10.00am on Thursday 24 August. Where parents have requested that results are sent by post, these will be posted by first class mail on publication day, Thursday 24 August. GCSE results will NOT be issued to telephone callers under any circumstances. All Year 11 students and their parents are invited to a Presentation Evening in School at 7.30pm on Thursday 2 November when GCSE certificates will be presented. We look forward to seeing our former students and their parents in November for what is always one of the happiest evenings in the school calendar.

### **End of Term on Friday 21 July**

Next Friday, 21 July, we will mark the end of another successful year with a Mass of Thanksgiving for the whole school. Please note the early closure. School buses will leave at 1.25pm.

### **Next Term, Tuesday 5 September**

The new school year begins at 8:55am on Tuesday 5 September for all pupils.

Yours sincerely

E A Cox  
Headteacher