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

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Dear Parents



A group of 29 pupils and staff flew to Barcelona last Friday for a hectic and very enjoyable visit to Catalonia, Spain. Sightseeing in Barcelona included visits to Gaudi's famous Sagrada Familia church, Las Ramblas, the waterfront harbour of Port Vell and a tour of the Nou Camp Stadium. The group especially enjoyed visiting Montserrat, the famous mountain-top basilica and monastery and an excursion to the Port Aventura theme park. Special thanks to visit leader Mr Briggs and to Mrs Booth, Mrs Clinch, Mr Dobson, Mrs Holmes, Mr Richmond and parent volunteer Mr Redding who accompanied our pupils. Behaviour throughout the visit was exemplary.

### Sporting Success

Pupils are celebrating a raft of sporting successes. The Year 7 girls' football team are the five a side champions of West Yorkshire and Under 12 Cup winners. Our Year 7 boy footballers hold the Under 12 Rawcliffe Cup. The Key Stage 3 boys' badminton team are league winner and play-off finalists. Year 8 boys are winners of the Under 13 cross-country league. Year 8 table tennis players are ranked third in Leeds after winning the group stage competition. Congratulations to all on these impressive achievements.

### Good Shepherd Fundraising

Year 7 pupils Daniel Spencer, Henry Langton, Marinelle Tetteyfo, and Vanessa Biersacka presented a cheque for £2,000 to Bishop Marcus at a ceremony in Leeds Cathedral. The sum was raised during Lent by a variety of imaginative ventures. Many thanks to all pupils and parents who contributed. The monies will help *Catholic Care* to look after disadvantaged families, especially children, in our Diocese.



**Stephen Lawrence**  
EDUCATION STANDARD

### Trophies Galore

One of the most successful football teams the school has ever fielded finish their schooling here today as they begin a period of study leave to prepare for GCSE examinations. The current Year 11 side, pictured with The Rawcliffe Cup, have won fourteen awards during their five years here. The trophy cupboard at school has been graced with:  
 Year 7: League Cup; Bradley Cup; Merit Trophy; Leeds Schools Five-a-side Champions; West Yorkshire Five-a-side Champions.

Year 8: West Yorkshire County Cup; League Cup; Don Revie Cup; Merit Trophy

Year 9: League Cup, Yorkshire Evening Post Cup, Merit Trophy

Year 10: League Trophy

Year 11: Rawcliffe Cup



*(Left to right, back row):* Harvey O'Brien, Malek Hercules, Tristan Brennan, Daniel Clement, Nathan Brady (captain), Patrick Dooley, Kai Herbert, Joe Hemsworth, Oliver Casey

*(Front row):* Albert Asimah, Jefferey Agyei, Darragh Kennedy, Joe Fitzpatrick, Declan Rose, Emilio Avila Gonzalez

### Diocesan Pilgrimage to Lourdes 2017

Forty Year 10 pupils, accompanied by staff, are taking part in the annual Diocesan pilgrimage to Lourdes. It begins on 6 July. Preparations are already well underway for this important spiritual event. Our pilgrims attended the Annual Diocesan Lourdes Pilgrimage at the Church of the Immaculate Heart of Mary last weekend. The celebrants were Bishop Marcus and Fr Phillip Hall, Diocesan Pilgrimage Director.



**Music Day**

Parents and pupils are invited to The Diocese of Leeds Music Day on Saturday 10 June 2017 at Leeds Cathedral. Details are available on the attached flyer.

**Standards of Uniform**

Parents and pupils are reminded of the school's rules on trousers. Only black tailored trousers are permitted. Jeans, Lycra trousers and leggings are not acceptable. The *Dress for Success* booklet may be found on the front page of the school website: it sets out the school's expectations for all aspects of uniform. Please see the pictures in the booklet which make clear what is acceptable. Frequent inspections of uniform will take place after half-term.

**Eamon Hits a High Note**

Please accept our apologies for an error in last week's letter. Year 11 pupil Eamon Boyle-Smith gained a Distinction in the Grade Eight flute examinations of *The Royal Schools of Music*, not a Merit as stated in the letter. His achievement of the highest grade, a very remarkable feat for someone of his age, is one that only the most talented musicians can hope to gain.

**Ascension and Pentecost**

Assemblies in school this week have focused on the two great Christian feasts of Ascension and Pentecost, celebrated by The Church this weekend and next. Pupils have been encouraged to attend Mass in their parish communities this weekend to celebrate The Ascension of The Lord and next weekend, Sunday 4 June, to celebrate the Feast of Pentecost. School breaks up for the half term holiday today and resumes on Monday 5 June at 8.55am.

Yours sincerely



E A Cox  
Headteacher