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Dear Parents

Golden Owl Award Winners

Congratulations to a group of Year 9 pupils at Cardinal Heenan on winning the Leeds Golden Owl Award for young filmmakers aged 12 to 15 with their new film *Unsurelock Holmes: A Study In... Something*. Our pupils joined guests and VIPs on the red carpet of Leeds Town Hall to receive their award, presented by Waterloo Road's Dean Smith. The movie was premiered on the big screen in Millennium Square earlier this month. World famous consulting detective, Sherlock Holmes, is an unparalleled



genius who can solve any crime that's laid before him. *Unsurelock Holmes*, however, may take his time. The film stars Emily Hobson in the title role, Peter Bowdin as Dr Watson, Ciara Maloney as Sergeant Bradstreet, Carmel Allinson as Gretta Bongodotter (a corpse), Cameron Bradbury as a forensic scientist and James Dalzell as a laboratory scientist. Sean Sexton and Tessa Duffy managed numerous technical details. Emily's little sister, Louisa, plays the vital off-screen roles of Official Door Closer and Camera Guard!

The movie was produced and directed by Emily Hobson. Here's your chance to preview it...
<https://vimeo.com/202056286>

Fundraising Success

Head Girl Happiness Chinembiri and Head Boy Daniel Clement presented cheques for £2,176 to CAFOD, the official Catholic aid agency for England and Wales, yesterday on behalf of the school community. This sum has raised by



pupils in school by means of a non-uniform day, bun sales, sporting competitions and in response to CAFOD's fast day appeals. Kathryn Robinson, a CAFOD schools volunteer, joined us for a Lenten assembly. Kathryn told pupils: *'Your fundraising is a wonderful way to put your Catholic faith into action. It shows that you believe that everyone in the world has the right to live their lives with dignity. This money will ensure our partners in Africa, Asia, Latin America and the Middle East will continue to fight poverty and injustice, wherever the need is greatest. Thank you for your support. Please remember your global brothers and sisters in your prayers and continue to encourage other to stand in solidarity with families and communities in the Global South.'*



Stephen Lawrence
EDUCATION STANDARD

Lent and Easter 2017

Extended assemblies for all year groups during this last week of this term helped our pupils to reflect on their experiences of Lent and to look ahead to Holy Week and the Easter Triduum. All our students have been encouraged to play their full part in celebrating the Risen Christ at Easter, the most important Christian feast, in their parish communities.

Easter falls late this year; in fact Holy Week does not begin until the second week of the forthcoming holiday. The Easter Monday Bank Holiday falls on the day before pupils return to school for the summer term, Tuesday 18 April.

Debating in Durham

Year 11 pupils took part in the world's largest residential schools' debating competition at The University of Durham last weekend. Congratulations to Year 11 pupils Scarlet Rowe, Madeline Rose, Joseph Laverty, Katie Rose-Crowe, Louis Connell, Frankie Ryan-Casey, Alex Cserna, Sean Casey, Rosie McKenna and Jessica Place on producing outstanding performances. The weekend involves numerous debates, mainly against sixth formers from the independent sector. Schools attending this year included Eton College, Westminster School and Dulwich College. Scarlet Rowe was placed 138th and Maddie Rose 147th of 212 speakers. Our best performing team was placed 77th of 109 teams. Special thanks to Mrs Rutherford, Dr Bradley and Mrs Doyle who give generously of their time in accompanying pupils to Durham for the weekend and in preparing pupils for this marvellous, aspirational opportunity.



Doctors of the Future

Former Cardinal Heenan pupil Isobel Rycroft visited her old school recently to present two sessions to pupils who are considering a career in medicine. Isobel, now in her second year as a medical student at the University of Leeds, gave information about the entry requirements of medical schools and explained what it is like to be a medical student. She also illustrated the life of a junior doctor and shared advice about personal statements, interviews and work experience.

Debating Success

Pupils at Cardinal Heenan took part in a Leeds Salon debating competition at the *Headingley Festival of Ideas* last week. Congratulations to Scarlet Rowe who was voted 'Best Speaker' by the judges, sustaining something of a school tradition. Cardinal Heenan pupils have won this ward for the third year running: Sally Greaney was the 2015 winner and Darragh Kennedy picked up the prize last year. The Heenan team represented the school with great credit to reach the final where they were runners up to Abbey Grange in a high quality, closely fought contest. The debates were set up in the *Debating Matters* format. Leeds Salon, a public forum for debate around contemporary political, cultural and scientific issues, hosted the event at Headingley Enterprise and Arts Centre (HEART). Mrs



Rutherford, Dr Bradley and Mrs Evans give generously of their time in preparing pupils for these debates and co-ordinating this very popular and successful activity in school. We are grateful for their work.



Year 11 Easter Revision

Year 11 pupils will be making good use of the forthcoming holiday to prepare for GCSE examinations. The Examinations Guidance and Revision booklets issued and the presentations used at the recent Year 11 information evening meeting may be accessed on our school website. All our Year 11 pupils now have free access to two PiXL apps for smartphone and tablet to help them identify their strengths and area to develop in these subjects.

PiXL English Literature App

<https://englishapp.pixl.org.uk/>

PiXL Maths App

<https://mathsapp.pixl.org.uk/>

Details have been given to pupils by their teachers. Please encourage your child to make use of these excellent resources.

Year 10 Examinations

Year 10 pupils are also preparing for examinations. These start on Wednesday 19 April, the second day of next term and are very important examinations that will give pupils, parent and the school a clear indication of how students are progressing at a crucial stage of GCSE courses. Good luck to Years 10 and 11!

End of Term

School closes for the holidays today. The summer term begins on Tuesday 18 April at 8.55am.

With renewed thanks to parents for all the support you give our school and all the efforts made by the Cardinal Heenan staff to provide your children with high quality education.

Yours sincerely



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Headteacher