



Lord, Inspire us to live in such a way that
the light of Christ may shine through us,
bringing love and warmth and happiness
to those who share our lives.
Amen.

Message from Dr J Coughlan, Principal

Friday 13th September 2019

On Sunday October 13th a momentous occasion will take place in Rome as Blessed John Henry Newman will be canonized by Pope Francis alongside four others. This will make Cardinal Newman the first English person who has lived since the 17th century officially recognised as a saint by the Church. The cause for his sainthood was opened in 1958 and he was declared Venerable by Pope Saint John Paul II in 1991 after his life of 'heroic virtue' was recognised. Pope Benedict XVI declared him Blessed in Cofton Park in September 2010, as part of his historic visit and pupils and staff from the school were privileged to be present at this event.

As a passionate educationalist, John Henry Newman regularly gave public lectures and sermons and also held a post as Rector of what is today known as University College Dublin. He believed firmly that just being educated and cultured was not enough to form a strong moral compass – a sentiment we, as a Catholic school and Community of Faith, share.

John Henry Newman is known for many great qualities, but we remember him particularly for the kindness and compassion of his ministry to the people of Birmingham. When he died at the age of 89, more than 15,000 people

lined the streets of Birmingham for his funeral.

Last year was designated as a year of Health and Wellbeing for the Bishop Challoner community. This year we are designating as the Year of Community. As John Henry Newman showed such great kindness and compassion to the people of Birmingham, so to, through our Year of Community will we reach out to work with many communities both locally and internationally. A key aspect the Year of Community will be to focus on those that are often marginalised by communities, asylum seekers, those living in poverty, the homeless, those in a poor state of mental health, the elderly, the lonely and many other groups.

It has been a great start to our new school year. Pupils have returned with a tremendous level of focus and are working hard in lessons; their conduct around the school has been excellent. Our new Year 7 and 12 students are getting to know our school community and are already having an extremely positive impact on our school. Next week our extensive extra-curricular programme will launch and I encourage all pupils to get involved and perhaps try something new: this would be a wonderful way to engage in our school community.

Attendance and Punctuality

Two important letters regarding Attendance and Punctuality were made available on the school website last week, please make sure that you have read these. Thank you for your continued support in making sure our students attend school every day and on time.

BC Basics- Behaviour for Learning and Standards

A letter reaffirming the school's expectations regarding Behaviour for Learning and Standards will be available early next week. Students are in the process of having assemblies where the BC Basic classroom rules and wider school rules are being introduced. They will also see these displayed around the school. A copy of this poster is over the page.

Schoolcomms/Dinner Money

All school meals should be paid for via Schoolcomms. The school only has one money loading machine and there are no change machines available, please ensure students bring in the correct change to put on the money loading machine if it is required.

Instrumental lessons

Lessons have started this week and most students have attended. Please urge your child to read their timetable on the board outside PA1 to check their lesson time. Payment for these lessons will be available on schoolcomms next week. Please email l.choudhury@bishopchalloner.bham.sch.uk if you have any queries regarding instrumental lessons.

School Fund and Match Fund

Please visit the school website for more information on School Fund contributions and Match Fund through your employer.

Y7 trip to Symphony Hall on 3rd February 2020

The Music department has organised a trip to see the City of Birmingham Symphony Orchestra perform in a concert especially designed for young people. The cost of the trip is £3.50 and will take place in school time. There are only 64 seats available so please sign up on schoolcomms from Friday 20th September to ensure a place for your child.

Open Evening

Wednesday 18th
September
6pm-8.30pm

Behaviour for Learning and Standards

BC BASICS

In order for all students to be able to fully engage with learning inside the classroom we insist that students:-

Do not call out



Do not talk when the teacher is addressing the whole class



Follow all instructions at the first time of asking

BC 7

We have 7 whole school rules that all students must follow

1 2 3 4 5 6 7

1. Have good attendance and punctuality

2. Follow instructions given by adults

3. Be polite and show consideration, care and respect for others

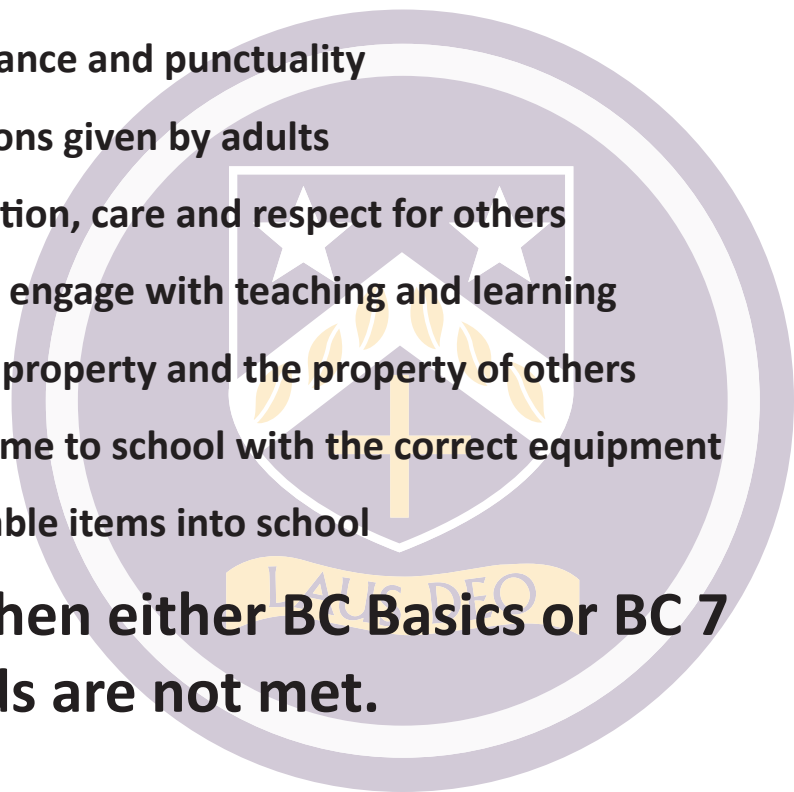
4. Respect the right of everyone to engage with teaching and learning

5. Respect the environment, school property and the property of others

6. Abide by the school dress code and come to school with the correct equipment

7. Do not bring valuable items into school

Sanctions will be applied when either BC Basics or BC 7 rules/standards are not met.



Sports Updates

New PE kit

It is great to see that after a successful launch of new PE kit last year, pupils are wearing this new navy PE kit during their PE lessons. Just a reminder that Year 7-11 students are expected and required to wear their new PE kit for every lesson and the expectation is that they do not mix and match the new kit with the old kit.

Extra-curricular clubs

It has been a really successful start to the new term of PE and sport at Bishop Challoner. There has been fantastic attendance at the extra-curricular sports clubs with 60 pupils attending football trials! A big thank you and well done to all those who came along and congratulations to those who made the teams. There was also good attendance at the netball morning practice from all Year groups so well done to all pupils who have attended any morning and after school clubs, keep it up! If you are wanting to join an after school or morning club please check out the extra-curricular timetable and come along! If you do not have one, come and get one from the office and any questions please just ask the PE teachers. It would be great to have an increase in numbers at the morning and after school clubs.

Fixtures coming up

There are some exciting fixtures coming up in the next few weeks. The Secondary School Games competition for Netball will be taking place next week and Year 8 and 9 will be competing against multiple secondary school teams at Moseley Secondary School. There is also a home fixture coming up which is a Year 10 football competition against St George's School which is their first match of the new campaign. The Team had an extremely successful football season last year completing the quadruple and winning all four of their competitions. The very best of luck to all those pupils involved in competitions and tournaments, results of any upcoming fixtures will be announced.

Teaching School Update

Our trainee teachers have now started their PGCE courses within our Alliance primary and secondary schools, and we at Teaching School are already preparing for the following year! UCAS will be opening in early October for teacher training places starting in September 2020. Dates and times for free info sessions are now on our website - <http://www.bctsa.org/Train-to-Teach-Events> so book a place now.

Billboard Advertising

No need to pay the High Street prices for billboard advertising.

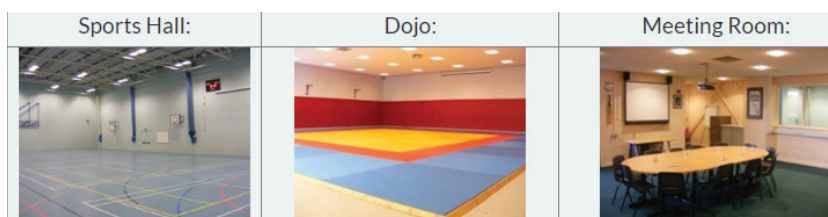
You could advertise to 2000 people a day at Bishop Challoner for a fraction of the price.

We are delighted to offer advertising space in our community areas, including our sports hall, function room and gym.

This opportunity is available for £40 per month. Please contact James on 0121 441 6103 or email: sportscentre@bishopchalloner.bham.sch.uk

Venue Hire

For more information call: 0121 441 6103



Sixth Form

Year 12

Year 12 and Year 13 have got off to a great start. We have induction last week where students were made clear of procedures and safeguarding issues. Year 12 Bonding was a great success and the rain held off.

Information Evening

This week we were pleased to welcome many parents and carers to our Sixth Form Information Evening. We were joined by a colleague from Forward Thing Birmingham, who gave a talk about the services offered at the Pause drop-in centre in Digbeth.

Upcoming Events

Internal Deadling for Early UCAS Applications
Monday 16th September

Open Evening
Early Finish 1.10pm
Wednesday 18th September

Late Start 11am
Thursday 19th September

European Day of Languages
Thursday 26th September

Extra-Curricular at Bishop Challoner

There are currently a minimum of 16 P.E. before and after school clubs available each week to attend.

	Times:	Sports Hall:	Dojo:	Fitness Suite:	Off-Site/Other:	Study Session/s:
MONDAY	745-830	Football Year 7 boys Mr Noone	<u>COD: Dodgeball</u> Mixed- All years Week 1- Mr Moon Week 2- Mr Wilson		-	-
	310-430	<u>Girls Football</u> All years Miss Crump & Miss Hunter			Duke of Edingburgh Year 10 Start date TBC Miss Beall	BTEC Sport Mr Wilson Week1- PE1
	430-530				-	
TUESDAY	745-830	Gaelic Football Mixed- All years Mr Noone	-	Fitness Club Mixed- All years Mr Palmer		-
	310-430	Basketball Mixed- All years Mr Moreira	-		Rugby Mixed- All years Mr Palmer and Mr Noone	BTEC Sport Mrs Moon Week 1 - C4
	430-530		-		-	
WEDNESDAY	745-830	<u>Netball</u> All years Miss Beall, Miss Hunter & Miss Shirley	-		-	
	310-430	<u>Tennis</u> Year 7 and 8 (maximum 12) Mrs Moon		Fitness Club Mixed- All years Connor and Alex	-	GCSE Mr O'Connor/ Mr Moon Week 1 - PE1
	430-530	-			-	BTEC Dance Miss Beall 3.10-4.30 Week 1 - PA4
THURSDAY	745-830	<u>Badminton</u> Mixed- All years Mr Moon	-			-
	310-430	Football Boys- Year 7-9 Mr Moreira	Benchball Mixed- All years Miss Morrison	-		-
	430-530			-		
FRIDAY	745-830	<u>Volleyball</u> Mixed- All years Miss Morrison	<u>Tchoukball</u> Mixed- All years Mr Wilson	-	-	
	N/A					
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Other clubs include:

Monday	<u>Homework Club</u> 3.10-4 (E4) Ms Wray	<u>My Maths drop in</u> 3.10-4.15 (C5)	<u>We Sing Choir</u> 3.15-4 (PA2) Mrs Choudhury	<u>Drama Club</u> 3.15-4 (PA4) Mrs Jethwa	<u>Keyboard Club</u> 3.15-4 (PA1) Miss Hughes	<u>Art Club</u> 3.15-4.15 (A1) Miss Swingler	<u>DT Club</u> 3.10-4 (T2) Mrs Higginson	<u>Mindfulness</u> 3.10-4 (Chapel) Mr Capper
Tuesday	<u>Homework Club</u> 3.10-4 (E4) Ms Wray	<u>Languages Club</u> 3.30-4.15 (L1) Mrs McGowan	<u>KS5 Book Club</u> 3.15-4 (SF4) Monthly commencing 17/9 Ms Leigh-Lancaster	<u>STEM Club</u> 3.10-4.10 (T4) Mrs O'Connor	<u>Textiles Club</u> 3.10-4.10 (T1) Mrs Dane			
Wednesday	<u>Homework Club</u> 3.10-4 (E4) Ms Wray	<u>Maths Challenge</u> 3.10-4.15 (M3) Miss Stone/ Mr Sarcevic						
Thursday	<u>Homework Club</u> 3.10-4 (E4) Ms Wray	<u>BC Band</u> 8.10-8.40am (PA2) Mrs Choudhury	<u>Rock School</u> 3.30-4.30(Recording Studio) Miss Hughes	<u>Dance Club</u> 3.30-4.30 (PA4) Miss Williams	<u>Maths Leaders</u> 3.10-4.10 (M4) Mr Clarke	<u>Geography Club</u> 3.15-4 (G3) Geography staff	<u>Book Club</u> PM Form Time (Library) Miss Beard	
Friday	<u>BC Strings</u> 1-1.20 (Music practice room) Ms Dodd							

Easy Fundraising

Our extra curricular and enrichment programme enriches the lives of young people in our school and gives them the opportunities to fulfil their full potential. Our programme runs 40 clubs per week ranging from book club to gymnastics.

Join easyfundraising and you can collect free donations for us every time you buy something online.