



Cardinal Newman Catholic High School

Specialist Maths and Computing College

Headteacher: Mrs J Warburton

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Dear Parents/Carers

I am delighted to inform you that we will be launching a new communication tool 'Parent App'. This will enable parents to be updated daily and receive information about attendance, behaviour and achievement. The Parent App will replace the weekly emails that are sent on a Monday. By downloading the App you will have access to the following features:

- Live attendance data for am and pm registration
- Student timetables
- Live behaviour points enabling parents to discuss any incidents daily with their child and keep up to date
- Live achievement points enabling parents to celebrate achievements as they happen
- Extra-curricular activities (this will be available from September and parents can consent to participation in activities like sports fixtures online)
- Data sheet. Parents will be able to update their information to ensure school has the most up to date information. This is only available to a parent who lives in the same house as the child and will be verified before any changes are authorised
- Messages – messages to parents will also be available through Parent App

We hope that you will find this additional form of communication useful as it is key we work together to ensure the best for each and every child.

In order to download the app you will be sent an invite email to the address currently registered. Your log in will require this email address in order to access the information. Should you not receive an email invite by Friday 29 June please contact school so we can look to address any issues.

We will also be making changes to our achievement system from September. Pupils will be required to demonstrate PRIDE in order to keep their points allocated for each lesson by being:

Positive
Respectful
Involved
Determined
Equipment

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Staff will also be able to award additional points for outstanding effort, homework or classwork. Each week the top three students for the week will be rewarded in Assembly.


We will be continuing with Golden Tickets and these will be awarded each half term. We will be liaising with school council as to the rewards that will be on offer. We have made these changes through discussions with both students and staff and feel it will help support and motivate students to get it right. It will also ensure those students who get it right on a daily basis are recognised for their hard work and effort.

Students have been informed of these changes during Collective Worship.

If you have any issues in downloading the App then please do not hesitate to contact school.

I would like to thank you for your continued support as we near the end of the school year.

Yours sincerely

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "R. Finn".

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Assistant Headteacher