



July 2018

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## Introducing the new senior team for 2018-2019



I am delighted to announce the election of our four-strong top team of prefects following a challenging selection process. Congratulations to **Emily** (Head Girl), **James** (Head Boy), **Ellie** (Deputy Head Girl) and **Luke** (Deputy Head Boy). The Year 10 pupils had to apply for Prefect Posts on-line and select which posts they wanted to be considered for. These applications were then filtered with shortlisted candidates interviewed prior to a final presentation in front of pupils and staff. There was then a final vote to decide the outcome. Our final four, although noting the need to work hard at the application and the nerves prior to being interviewed, appreciated the valuable process which replicates real-life job hunting. We wish them well in the year ahead.



Up to date news items, reminders and comments relevant to the education of our pupils and our work in the community.

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## Staff Farewells

This summer we say goodbye to two members of staff.

**JULIA SUMMERS**, who will be retiring after working at Cardinal Allen for 40 years! Julia has been a valued member of our cleaning team, and will be greatly missed. However we will see her back again in September as she will be still be working with our Food Technology staff, making sure the ovens are clean and ready for the pupils to use in their classes. We wish Julia a long a happy retirement. *Julia is pictured with Janice English, the school's Cleaning Supervisor.*



### **KIMBERLEY BELL**

Kimberley leaves us after two years to take up a full-time position at St. Mary's Academy, Blackpool. Kimberley initially joined us as a part-time teacher of RE but we were delighted that she was able to increase her hours to teach some Maths and IT.

Kimberley has certainly brought a touch of colour to the department and she will be sorely missed, but we wish her well at St. Mary's.



## Ordination Anniversaries

Summer is traditionally the time for ordinations to the Priesthood, and whilst their frequency has diminished, this Summer is a significant milestone in the lives of three priests associated with our school.

**Fr Michael Murphy**, the Parish Priest of St. Mary's, Fleetwood and our Dean, celebrates forty years as a priest on 22nd July with Mass at 10.30.

**Fr Peter Sharrock**, the Parish Priest of St. John's, Poulton also celebrated forty years in the priesthood on 8th July with Mass and refreshments afterwards.

Last, but by no means least, **Fr Gerry Dunn**, now retired but for a long time Chaplain, Governor and friend to the school, celebrates his Diamond Jubilee on 13th July.



Please keep our three jubilarians, our new Bishop, and all our priests and religious in your prayers.

## Cardinal Allen Pupils Become Reporters For Rock FM!

Four lucky pupils were chosen to represent the school as reporters at the Lancashire Youth Games! **Holly Tia**, **George** and **Daniel** took part in an exciting training day at ROCK FM, before heading to the games to interview the competitors. The training day included a tour of the ROCK FM studios, interview technique training, and mock interviews with the radio presenters. The pupils had a fantastic day and all staff were incredibly proud of their contribution at the Lancashire Youth Games. Well done!



# News from the English Department

**WORLD BOOK DAY AT CARDINAL ALLEN** As we are committed to the Lancashire 'We are Reading' campaign, pupils were involved in a range of exciting activities in celebration of World Book Day on Thursday 1<sup>st</sup> March.

**100 MILLION MINUTES** From 1<sup>st</sup> March, Cardinal Allen joined the campaign to try to read for a collective 100 million minutes in one week. The campaign is run by the leading charity, Achievement for All, which works in partnership with schools and communities to improve outcomes for all children and young people vulnerable to underachievement. In total, we read for an impressive 120,989 minutes across the week!



**WORLD BOOK DAY DOORS** Once again, we celebrated World Book Day with pupils and staff decorating classroom doors with original, creative designs representing animal-themed books. Miss Rankin ran and judged a fantastic competition between the form groups.

The winners were:

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| 1st Place: 9 Aidan      | - The Jungle Book |
| 2nd Place: 10 Augustine | - The Gruffalo    |
| 3rd Place: 8 Gregory    | - 101 Dalmatians  |

Well done to everyone for your fantastic contributions!



## Recommended Reads for the holidays

### Key Stage 3

**20 Thousand Leagues Under the Sea**, Jules Verne  
**War Horse**, Michael Morpurgo  
**Soldier Dog**, Sam Angus  
**The Secret Garden**, Frances Hodgson Burnett  
**Chinese Cinderella**, Adeline Yen Mah  
**I Am David**, Anne Holm

### Key Stage 4

**Lord of the Flies**, William Golding  
**Animal Farm**, George Orwell  
**1984**, George Orwell  
**To Kill A Mockingbird**, Harper Lee  
**Never Let Me Go**, Kazuo Ishiguro  
**Rebecca**, Daphne du Maurier

**TALK THE TALK ~ COMMUNICATION FOR LIFE** On 6<sup>th</sup> March, 22 of our Year 7 pupils were lucky enough to be involved in communication workshops to develop their oracy skills. Talk The Talk's mission is to improve students' communication skills to enable positive interaction in all life situations.

Our pupils had a fantastic time. Here's what some of them had to say:

**Isabella** *"I feel it was a great opportunity to help with my communication and I had a good time. It really boosted my confidence massively."*

**Megan** *"It was great fun and it really boosted my confidence. I feel I can ask a teacher for help in class now and it really helped me."*

**Kieran** *"The day taught me how to communicate properly with my family."*

**Matthew** *"It helped me to feel more confident when speaking to a bigger audience of people."*

**James** *"Talk the Talk helped me to build my confidence when speaking to a huge crowd."*

**Corey** *"Talk the Talk helped me to think about having more ideas when telling stories and how to structure a talk."*



**NEWSPAPER PROJECT** In March, Year 8 took part in our annual competition to design and produce their own newspapers. Working in groups, pupils took on the roles of editors, news reporters, sports reporters and marketing officers in order to bring us the latest in current affairs from around school and our local area. Winning entries from each class were judged by Blackpool Gazette reporter Claire Lark, Head of Year Miss Brown and our school librarian Miss Shirreffs. The standard of work was high and the judges found it difficult to choose between the newspapers. However, the overall winners, from 8H, were:

*Emily*

*Laraine*

*Caoimhe (Editor)*

*Jasmine*

*Olivia*

*Erin*



Some of our pupils have been so inspired by the project that they have gone on to write articles for the Junior Gazette. We may have some journalists in the making – watch out for our pupils' names in print!

**THE BLACKPOOL ZOO COMPETITION** Year 7 unleashed their inner entrepreneurs and took part in our annual Blackpool Zoo competition. Each class split into groups and had to compete with their class mates to design a new area for Blackpool Zoo, complete with marketing materials such as leaflets, blogs and radio jingles. The winning group from each class then took part in the final on Tuesday 3rd July. The competition was fierce and each group was eager to prove themselves to our judges - Miss Mercer, Miss Shirreffs and Amanda Taylor, who joined us from Blackpool Zoo. The English Department and the judges were hugely impressed with the diversity of the competition this year, from circus tents and dragons, to mazes and gyrospheres!

Ultimately, there could only be one winner and the judges chose the following:

**3rd Place:** 7H - Lily Bridge, Charlotte Perry, Madeline Salisbury and Alex Murray with *'The Dragon Cave'*

**2nd Place:** 7L - Glen Beaumont, Corey Dell, Danni Howe, Callum Martin, Matthew Ward, Cory-John Whitaker, Kieran Clarke and James Bryce with *~Whale Co, Killer Whale Aquarium'*

**1st Place:** 7C - Jacob Passam, David Mate, Ethan Thomas and Nathan Whiteside with *'The GyroTech'*.

Well done to ALL of our Year 7 pupils for their resilience, creativity and hard work, which has made this year's zoo competition a stand-out year! Bring on 2019!



## **CLEVELEYS' WRITERS LYRIC COMPETITION 2018-2018**

As this year's winners, we were delighted to play host to Cleveleys' Writers and representatives from Millfield Science and Performing Arts College, on a sunny, hot afternoon in July. This year's task was to write a poem reflecting on the importance of water to our human existence. **Lily** (Year 8) was judged first place for her poem: "WATER!WATER! WATER!", receiving the accolade of her poem being turned into lyrics and performed to music. She is now in possession of the winning shield, presented by Malcolm (the event organiser), a CD with a recording of the two songs from her lyrics and a certificate of merit.

The standard was very high, with over 1400 entries. Congratulations also go to **Emily** and **Grace** and for securing second and third place respectively.



**OUR NEW SCHOOL MAGAZINE** We have recently set up a new pupil-run magazine, The Melbourne Mail. The first edition was published in July and we aim to issue a new edition each term. The content, which is all written and edited by our pupils, varies from advice, to film reviews, to creative writing. If you haven't had chance to read our first issue yet, copies are available in classrooms, the main office and we are hoping to have it published on the school website.



**Did you know, the English department at Cardinal Allen has its own Twitter account?**

**Follow us to keep up to date with all things English: help with revision, competitions and more!**



**@CACHSEnglish**

## TRAINING FOR YEAR 9 ANTI-BULLYING MENTORS

46 Year 9 students volunteered to train as Anti-Bullying Mentors to be able to help and support fellow pupils. All of the students took part in two training sessions where they learnt what bullying is, how to help and support pupils who are being bullied and how to be a good, supportive mentor.

We are committed to keeping Cardinal Allen a safe environment for everyone, and our newly appointed Mentors will be valuable members of our community helping and advising pupils if they are experiencing bullying behaviour.

All of our Mentors wear a star badge on the lapel of their blazer to be easily recognisable, and have been presented with a certificate and letter of achievement.



# Sports News

The sports teams have had a very good season this year with all teams recording some excellent victories and performances. The PE department would like to thank all the pupils that have represented the school within the various individual or team events.

## FOOTBALL

All the teams have competed in the league and cup competitions this year. Special mention must go to the Year 7 team that managed to reach the semi-finals of the cup after beating Fleetwood High in the quarter final with a last minute header from **Jack Beavers**. The team came up against a very strong Montgomery side in the next round and unfortunately didn't progress into the final. Well done to all the team.



The Year 8 Football team have also had a fantastic season. They played in a very strong league and managed to come top of the group. The team then played St Bede's in the league final and were victorious with a 3-1 win. Next up was the cup competition and some excellent performances against Montgomery and St Georges saw the team progress through to the final against Lytham High School. The team saved their best performance for the final and managed to win the game 5-0 with a hat-trick by **Ben Howson** and two from **Oliver Grimshaw**. Again, many thanks to the boys for their commitment to the team this year.



## Stem Day –14th June

60 Year 9 upper ability pupils participated in a series of Sector Skills Challenges based on real world industry scenarios on 14<sup>th</sup> June. The challenges were interactive (including some LEGO building) and focused on developing skills such as team working, communication and problem solving.

The key objectives of the sessions were;

- *Show the relevance of the curriculum, and especially maths and logic, to the world of work*
- *Help students to understand what we mean by 'skills', develop new skills and see the importance of skills for their future.*
- *Raise students awareness of the key employment sectors in Lancashire*

These Sector Skills challenges are based on all the Lancashire Local Economic Partnership priority employment sectors, and showcase the importance of transferrable skills along with highlighting the types of jobs, opportunities and routes available for sectors such as:

Engineering and Advanced Manufacturing, Digital Technology, Energy & Environment, Visitor Economy & Hospitality Health and Finance.

Pupils enjoyed the session and knew more about employability skills and why they were important, after the session.

# Community News

## DUKE OF EDINBURGH AWARD



Our DofE students are currently finishing their work towards their current DofE levels. Over the last few weeks we have experienced uncharacteristically warm weather which has made walking with packs particularly arduous.

In the Bronze section, a Cardinal Allen High school record of 40 year 9 students, completed expeditions in the Silverdale area and West Pennine moors. This group will be remembered for their excellent campfire skills which produced some of the best baked potatoes I have tasted.





Our Silver Award students task is to complete the Ribble Way for their expeditions. The Ribble Way is a major national walking route that follows the River Ribble from its estuary at Preston to its source at Gavel Gap 72 miles away in the heart of the Yorkshire Dales above Hawes. Our first group to embark on this have now produced a formal end to this walk by transporting a tree branch, Mr Stickson, from Preston to the source. The next group to travel this route will add to our new landmark.

A big thank you to all the DofE staff who have given up many hours training and searching for our students this year.



**TASTER DAYS** 230 students from 8 primary schools have recently enjoyed a series of taster days at Cardinal Allen. The feedback we received was very encouraging with the vast majority hoping to join us when in year 7.

## ECO NEWS

**BIO BLITZ** Members of our Eco Team recently attended the Environmental Agency BioBlitz event at Stannah Country Park. A BioBlitz is when an area of the country's wildlife is measured to gauge the health of our local environment. Our students helped identify insects and birds whilst walking around the area followed by workshops identifying shark eggs, building bug hotels and analysing owl pellets. Pretty gory but very interesting!



**FLEETWOOD IN BLOOM** Our Eco group have been involved with helping Fleetwood look fantastic by planting a boat by the North Euston hotel and producing thousands of poppies made from recycled bottles to commemorate the fallen from Fleetwood in WW1. When all the poppies are arranged you will agree this is another example of communities coming together to put Fleetwood on the map!



**BEACON FELL SNAKE** We have reached our goal of raising £45000 to restore the snake at Beacon Fell and at the time of writing work is well underway. This is a great example of our students working to save something that families across the County can enjoy for many years to come.

**LOVE MY BEACH** A group of students from Years 7 and 8 have been selected to become Coastal Champions. Following training our group have been allocated a stretch of Fleetwood beach to maintain by keeping it litter free. This has also involved the group leading a campaign in school to stop plastic items being flushed down the toilet.



**ALLOTMENT** Our students are currently enjoying eating the strawberries and raspberries they have grown on their allotment. The crops of onions and potatoes will be ready for harvesting shortly.

**INTERACT** Members of our Interact group have enjoyed a Golf Taster Day at Knott End Golf Club in what we hope will become a fruitful partnership.



# School Council News

It's been another busy year for the school council whose job it is to listen, represent, consult and co-operate, inform and investigate!!

This year we have been working on various issues, one being litter! Working with the Eco group at school, we continue to tackle the issue of litter which is still a huge problem in and around school. Please remember to always bin your litter!

Recommendations regarding food and drink are always welcomed and we will continue to liaise with the catering staff regarding any new suggestions you have.

We enjoyed attending Commonwealth Day on the 12<sup>th</sup> March where the Mayor, Councillor Alice Collinson, hosted a flag raising ceremony at the Civic Centre, Poulton-le-Fylde.

For the fourth year running, we are proud to have involved the whole school in voting for the "Make Your Mark Campaign". This campaign is the largest consultation of young people in the UK and the results are used to decide the policies to be debated by Members of the Youth Parliament in the House of Commons sitting in November. For more information on this go to [www.parliamentweek.org](http://www.parliamentweek.org)

We have once again registered for the 2018 Make Your Mark Campaign. This will be a whole school vote where pupils will be voting in September from a shortlist of ten issues with the topics due to be debated by the Members of Youth Parliament in the House of Commons in October.

We recently welcomed back Matthew Steen, an ex-pupil of CACHS, who was given the opportunity of working with the Jesuit Missions in Tanzania. The Jesuit Missions help people with education and healthcare in deprived countries in continents such as Africa. Matthew gave an exciting presentation about his time in Tanzania and we also learnt a few Swahili words!

Working with CAFCA and Mr Harding we will soon be receiving some lovely new benches to sit on which will benefit all students. The Aquinas Centre will also be receiving some lovely new chess sets for their weekly chess club run by Cleveleys Chess Club.

If you would like a chance to sit on the new school council, applications are now invited. If any students wish to nominate themselves, please see your Progress Leader or Miss Shirreffs in September.

We are open to any suggestions and try our hardest to make your school a better place.

Remember, we are **YOUR** school council and we try our hardest to make school a better place for you so please keep those ideas and opinions coming our way.

***Your School Council – Your Voice!***

# Accelerated Reader



How do you become a Millionaire? Read one million words! CACHS students who have read over a million words this school year belong to a select group of Accelerated Reader Millionaires. A word count is generated each time a student reads a book and then takes a reading practice quiz online using our Accelerated Reader software.

We are keen to share reading success and are delighted to announce our first Millionaire in Year 7 – **RACHAEL, 7AG**. To date, Rachael has read and quizzed on 25 books since September with a current word count of 1, 982,364 – a fantastic achievement. She also earned the most reading points within the year group with a score of 251.5. Rachael received her award during assembly.

## The Summer Reading Challenge 2018

Libraries are great places for children to discover reading for pleasure and there is no better time to do this than during the long summer holidays.

The [Summer Reading Challenge](#) is designed for children between the ages of 4 and 11 and is completely free.

**MISCHIEF MAKERS** The Summer Reading Challenge 2018 will be called **Mischief Makers**, inspired by the much-loved iconic children's title Beano, which celebrates its 80th anniversary.

Children will explore a map of Beanotown to find the mysterious buried treasure and become ultimate mischief makers! Dennis, Gnasher and friends will help them solve clues and collect stickers, having lots of fun and adventures along the way!

Most libraries in England and Wales will start the Summer Reading Challenge on Saturday 14 July.

**HOW DOES THE SUMMER READING CHALLENGE WORK?** The Summer Reading Challenge is designed for children of all reading abilities. They can read any books they like – fact books, stories, joke books, picture books – it's up to them. Audio books count too! As long as you're borrowing them from the library, they all count. The Summer Reading Challenge is designed for children of all reading abilities. They can read any books they like – fact books, stories, joke books, picture books – it's up to them. Audio books count too! As long as you're borrowing them from the library, they all count. Go to [www.summerreadingchallenge.org.uk](http://www.summerreadingchallenge.org.uk) for more information.

Remember... reading is to the mind what exercise is to the body. Enjoy your summer reading!

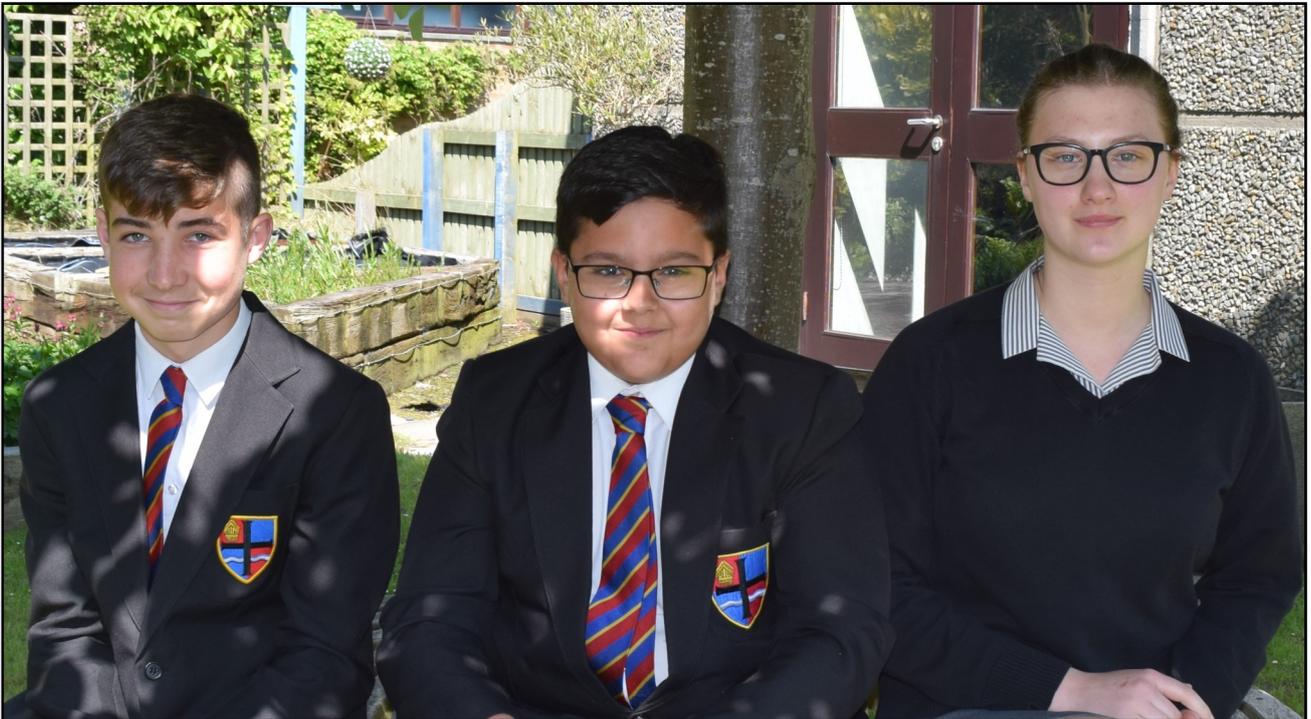
# MFL News

## WELL DONE TO ALL OF OUR YEAR 11 LANGUAGE STUDENTS

A huge 'well done' to all of the students who sat their Language exams this summer. We look forward to seeing the results of your hard work this summer.

**EARLY GCSEs IN LANGUAGES** **Maja** in Year 11 not only sat her GCSE French exam this summer she also did GCSE Polish. As part of the examination, Maja had to sit the speaking at St Mary's in Blackpool. The teacher who did the speaking test with Maja wrote to Mrs Grimshaw to thank the school for sending Maja there to do the test, she told her "Maja is a smart young lady who presents herself excellently".

Congratulations also to **Abraham** in Year 7 & **Jamie** in Year 9 who have just done an early GCSE in Spanish. We look forward to you receiving your results. If any other students are fluent in another language please speak to Mrs Grimshaw who will discuss with you the possibility of doing the language as an additional GCSE.



**DISNEYLAND PARIS** Over 130 students will be attending Cardinal Allen Catholic High School's first trip to Disneyland & Paris this October. If you have not yet returned your parental questionnaires to Mrs Grimshaw, please do so before we break for the summer.

**MFL LINGUISTS OF THE YEAR 2018** Congratulations to all of the following students who have been presented with their awards in their year assemblies:

Year 7	<b>Bethany Wilkinson</b>	Year 9	<b>Kelsey Hoyle &amp; Emma Fearnley</b>
Year 8	<b>Caomihe Magginis-Withers</b>	Year 10	<b>Lily Shoulder</b>

As of September 2018 the languages faculty will be recognising 1 student from each year group for outstanding achievement / effort every month with our "Achiever of the Month Awards". So aim high and be all you can be!

# Art News

## TRAM SUNDAY ~ COMMUNITY ARTS INSTALLATION

This term students have been working hard to decorate a large fish armature with plastic waste. Cutting, layering and shaping this plastic to fill and decorate the fish structure. The fish will then be part of the 'Tram Sunday' parade, being pushed along in shopping trolleys by mermaids and mermen. Schools and groups across Fleetwood will all be taking part in this event so expect to see plenty of fish! The aim of this Community Arts Project is to highlight the plastic waste that pollutes our oceans. Following the Arts Event the fish will then be on display at Fleetwood Market. Special thanks to **Hannah Carmichael** and **Jade Moore** for leading the decoration of our fish.



**WILLIAMSON PARK 2018** On Monday 2<sup>nd</sup> July 2018 the Year 9 GCSE Art & Design options group took part in a visit to Williamson Park and Butterfly House in Lancaster. A lovely day was had by all involved and the behaviour and attitude of our students whilst at the park and butterfly house was exemplary. This trip is designed to enhance the student's knowledge and appreciation for natural forms, and the work, which began on this trip; such as the beautiful photographs taken by our students, will be included in their portfolio of work.

**FLEETWOOD ROTARY PHOTOGRAPHY COMPETITION** The Art Department would like to congratulate **Sam** who once again has won the Rotarian Terry McCarron Shield for his stunning photography skills. *Well done Sam!!*



And finally . . . just to say many thanks to you all for your continued support throughout the past year. These newsletters are a celebration of all the outstanding work that takes place both in and beyond school and showcase the outstanding talent that our pupils possess.

It just remains for me to wish you all a restful, well earned and enjoyable summer break.



***School re-opens for all pupils on  
Wednesday, 5th September at 8.40am.***

## **Term Dates For 2018-2019**

### **Autumn Term 2018**

#### **Re-open for Pupils**

Half Term

Last Day of Term—12.20 finish

#### **Wednesday 5th September 2018**

Monday 22nd October—Friday 26th October

Friday 21st December

### **Spring Term 2019**

Re-open for pupils on

Half Term

Last Day of Term—12.20 finish

Monday 7th January

Monday 18th February—Friday 22nd February

Thursday 4th April

### **Summer Term 2019**

Re-open for pupils on

May Day

Half Term

Last Day of Term—12.20 finish

Tuesday 23rd April

Monday 6th May

Monday 27th May—Friday 31st May

Friday 19th July

***Please disregard dates published on any website other than our own. In the extremely unlikely event that there are changes to these dates, the school will notify parents.***