



Hannah triumphs as Regional Cadet of the Year

Hannah Praed, Year 10, who volunteers with the St John Ambulance Cadet Unit in Blackpool, has received the honour for 2018. Hannah triumphed at the national selection event held at Eastwood Hall in Nottingham. The two-day competition saw 31 of the very best of the cadets from across the country take part in some tough tasks to win one of just four regional roles. Cadets are aged 10 to 17 and besides first aid they learn a huge range of other important life skills as they work towards their Grand Prior award – the highest award a cadet can achieve. Subjects range from animal welfare and cookery to sports and photography.

Older cadets can put their first aid and other communication skills into practice by providing first aid to the public at events or teaching their skills to others. Hannah, will now represent St John Ambulance Cadets in the North over the coming year.



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She said: "I'm totally overwhelmed to have won the title of Regional Cadet of the Year for the North and I'm really looking forward to representing all the young people in my region this year." Simon Dunn regional director for St John Ambulance said: "First aid is an important skill for people of all ages to learn. Young people, like Hannah, are great advocates of this message. "Hannah demonstrated tremendous dedication and enthusiasm over the course of the selection weekend and we are delighted that she is representing young people who learn first aid, in the North."

If you would like to know more about St John Ambulance or would like to join, please call 0871 423 6030 or visit www.sja.org.uk/youth

The above article appeared in the Blackpool Evening Gazette.

Cardy's Got Talent 2018!

Thursday 22nd March saw the drama studio filled with excitement for the sensational show that is Cardy's Got Talent. This is always a sell out event and this year was no exception. On hand to judge the event were James Norris (Drama Specialist), Mike Akers (our very own Simon Cowell) and the incredibly talented winner of Cardy's got Talent 2014 and contestant on the X Factor 2017, Chloe Moyle. The talented line-up of acts was truly exceptional and the judges had a very difficult job! From sensational singers **Gracie-Mae Woolford**, **Pariza Cheema**, 6th Harmony, **Tom Spence** and the wonderful 'sister act' **Sophie** and **Katie Parker** to delightful dancers **Megan Tyler**, **Helana Gleave**, **Emily Grassie**, **Tiegan Bramble** and **Rose Emery**, the entertainment was a non-stop rollercoaster ride of talent! Audience members were also treated to beautifully moving monologues from **Lucie Ashworth-Prescott** and **Hannah Cardwell**, showcasing hours of hard work and incredibly mature performances. **James Charles** and **Connie Trevett** offered stunning vocal performances which they accompanied with the piano and guitar respectively, highlighting superb ability and wonderful control. At either ends of their school years, fantastic gymnast **Sheanice McLaughlin** from Year 7 and amazing drummer **Robert Flamholt** from Year 11 were simply sensational!

Cardy's Got Talent would not be the same without the fantastic Mr Cadwallader, who was our expert compere and offered encouragement and support to the acts onstage. A special mention also needs to be given to **Jakob Johnson** from Year 11 who managed the lights and sound for the entire show. Jakob's care and attention to detail really helped our acts to show their full potential and they were very grateful for his support.

Thank you to everyone who took part in this year's show and to all of those backstage who helped to support the pupils. Finally, thank you to everyone who came to watch! The money raised will help to fund vital pastoral work in our school.

Well done to our winners!

1st Place: Tom Spence (Year 11)

2nd Place: James Charles (Year 10)

3rd Place: Hannah Cardwell (Year 11)



Communication with School

Can we ask all parents and carers to read the accompanying letter regarding communication with school. The letter refers to collecting children from school for various appointments as well as what is reasonable in terms of wanting to speak to members of staff. Sadly, it also refers to a small number of parents whose approach falls short of what can be reasonably expected. Thank you.

Smart Watches

These watches are very expensive as well as allowing pupils access to the internet. Therefore, could we ask your co-operation in ensuring that your son/daughter DOES NOT wear one to school.



If a pupil is found to be wearing one of the watches, it will be placed in the school's main office for safe-keeping for you, as the parent/guardian, to pick up at your convenience.

Safer Travel ~ PCSO's Consultation

On 18th January 2018, the County Council's Cabinet agreed to consult on the proposed removal of part-funding the police community support officers (PCSOs). There are currently two safer travel PCSCOs jointly funded by Lancashire County Council and Lancashire Constabulary who work with schools and bus operators to reduce anti-social behaviour on buses, especially before and after school.

The local authority would appreciate parents and carers to have the opportunity to express their opinions. Please click the link alongside to access the consultation questions and provide your opinions on the proposed changes. Many thanks.

[Safer Travel Survey](#)

School Council

This year, the School Council have been hard at work listening to your viewpoints and putting them into action.

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

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



We are also currently involved in getting all students to vote for the election of Lancashire’s Member of Youth Parliament 2018. Further information on this can be found at www.ukyouthparliament.org.uk/about-us/myps/

Matthew Steen, an ex-pupil of CACHS who now works for the Jesuit Missions in Tanzania, visited us to talk about the important work he was about to embark on. The Jesuit Missions help people with education and healthcare in deprived countries in continents such as Africa. A link will now be set up with our school and the primary school where Matthew is working, beginning with a skype session to Tanzania.

Presently, we are working with members of staff to develop a new and improved reward system focussing on positive behaviour and achievement with the idea of converting merits into different rewards. This is currently a work in progress.



In celebration of Commonwealth Day on the 12th March, the Mayor, Councillor Alice Collinson hosted a Flag Raising ceremony at the Civic Centre, Poulton-le-Fylde. Mr Harding and Miss Shirreffs, along with three members of our School Council, represented our school at the ceremony where Lt Colonel Richard Beatson gave a speech on the role of the Commonwealth on behalf of the Lord Lieutenant of Lancashire. This was followed by the Mayor reading the Commonwealth Affirmation prior to the flag raising. After refreshments, students were given the opportunity to visit the Council Chambers and take part in a question and answer session. This was followed by a visit to the Mayor’s Parlour and the opportunity for photographs. A brilliant morning!



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!

News from the Aquinas Centre

WANTED : PUPIL LIBRARIANS

The Aquinas Centre will shortly be advertising for new Pupil Librarians and Monitors. Cardinal Allen encourages pupils to participate in the running of the library by volunteering to become Pupil Librarians. Pupils can help before registration, at lunchtime or during library periods.

The Pupil Librarian Training Programme allows for different levels of ability and pupils can progress through the levels at their own speed.

Librarians have an important role, not just in the day to day running of the Aquinas Centre but also contributing to the development of the service.

If you are interested in becoming a pupil librarian, please see Miss Shirreffs for an application form.



BOOK CLUB IN THE LRC

A reminder to come along to the Aquinas Centre every Tuesday lunch time to share your love of reading and books. All students are welcome.

MAKE THE RIGHT MOVE—JOIN THE CHESS CLUB IN THE AQUINAS CENTRE

If you are an avid chess player, come along to the Aquinas Centre during break and lunch to practice your chess skills. Players of all abilities are welcome. Our chess club is steadily growing with approximately 25 students attending.

Simon Rogers from Cleveleys Junior Chess Club (a former pupil) currently volunteers to come into school during a lunch hour to help our players develop their game.

Students interested in joining Cleveleys Junior Chess Club can go along to Cleveleys Park Methodist Church on a Thursday night between 6.30 to 8.30pm. Entrance fee is £2.00.

The School would also like to ask parents/guardians to consider donating any spare chess board sets lying around at home that are no longer used. These can be sent along to the Aquinas Centre where they will be gratefully received!

WORLD BOOK DAY IN THE AQUINAS CENTRE

World Book Day is a celebration! It's a celebration of authors, illustrators, books and (most importantly) it's a celebration of reading. This is now the 21st year there's been a World Book Day. On 1st March 2018, children of all ages came together to appreciate reading - the perfect chance to sit down with an old classic or find a new favourite! Reading develops the imagination. With reading, a person can go anywhere in the world or even out of it - the possibilities are endless!

The main aim of World Book Day is to encourage children to explore the wonderful world of reading by providing them with the opportunity to have a book of their own. KS3 students received a special £1.00 World Book Day token which could be exchanged for any of the specially produced £1.00 World Book Day books at various book shops and supermarkets or used to save £1.00 off any book or audio book costing £2.99 or more. This year there were also a selection of exclusive £2.50 teen books available for only £1.50 with a book token.



The Aquinas Centre was a hub of activity as a number of students celebrated World Book Day by taking part in various competitions and celebrating reading. Further information on World Book Day is available at

www.worldbookday.com

ACCELERATED READER MILLIONAIRES/MULTI-MILLIONAIRES

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.

But what is Accelerated Reader and how does it work? For the past four years, Years 7, 8 and 9 students at Cardinal Allen have successfully participated in the Accelerated Reader programme, a powerful tool for monitoring and managing independent reading practice and reading for pleasure. Once a book has been read, the student takes an online quiz to demonstrate their understanding. If the student passes the quiz, the programme will then set appropriate reading targets and total the number of words read to date.

Accelerated Reader ties in well with the school's Pick-Up-A-Book lesson (PUAB). PUAB runs on a rolling timetable every week for one hour. During this hour students literally PUAB and read for enjoyment. Reading for enjoyment, or recreational reading as some prefer to say, refers to any reading that we do of our own free will, for our own enjoyment and which involves reading materials that reflect our own choice.



So far this year we do not have a word millionaire so keep reading years 7, 8 and 9, the race is on for our first millionaire!



Paid STEM Internships - £300 per week for 4 weeks

Have you ever considered a career in teaching?

Would you relish a chance to discover first-hand the benefits of this rewarding career?

Why not consider applying for a 4 week paid teaching internship?

This programme has been designed to provide support and training opportunities in June 2018 for Science, Technology, Engineering or Mathematics (STEM) undergraduates due to complete their degree in June 2019, to experience mathematics and/or physics teaching before they commit to it as a career.

This is a fully funded, paid programme which offers a sustained introduction to teaching experience over a 4 week period (**Monday 11 June to Friday 6 July 2018**), with 4 information/training days, opportunities for shadowing, blended with personal support activities. Completion of the internship will guarantee you an interview for our ITT programme commencing September 2019.

Places: 10 Mathematics, 5 Physics

Deadline for applications: 11 May 2018



<https://www.catholic-teaching-alliance.org/paid-stem-internships.html>

News from the English Department

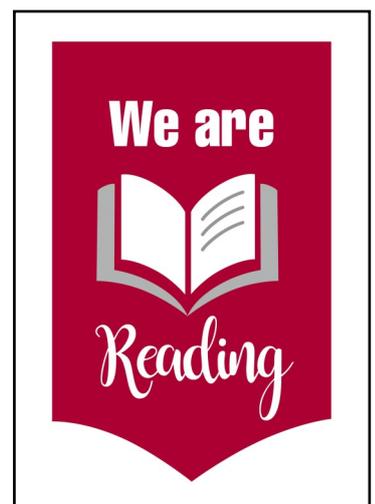
SPONSORED SPELL

Huge congratulations to students in years 7 and 8 for beating last year's total and raising £1223.86 so far. Any outstanding sponsorship money must be forwarded directly to the Finance office. Well done to **Caoimhe, Megan, Tanzanite** and **Gracie-Mae** who, between them, raised £205 towards the total and achieved 50/50 in their test. The money will now go towards purchasing new class readers and, hopefully, inviting an author of particular interest in to work with our students.



WE ARE READING AT CARDINAL ALLEN!

We are Reading in Lancashire and at Cardinal Allen! As you may have heard the School Improvement Service is launching an all-age 'We are Reading' campaign to run from World Book Day 2018 to World Book Day 2019. We are dedicated and committed to developing a life-long love of reading at Cardinal Allen as our newsletters always show so keep reading everyone! For our next newsletter we are asking pupils to contribute a review of their favourite book! If you would like to contribute then please pass on your reviews to your English teacher next term.



THE WORLD BEYOND THE CLASSROOM

Year 10 and 11 recently took part in a workshop covering: how to write a CV and application letter; the art of manners and English in the wider world. The purpose of all of these activities was to see how English fits into life after school and how learning the skills in our subject will help them in later life.

STRANGE THINGS HAPPEN.....

Well done to all of the Year 10s whose work was published in the latest 'Stranger Sagas' book as a prize for successfully completing the Young Writers' competition.



THE SCOTTISH PLAY BECKONS....

Next term, our Year 10 text will be Shakespeare's 'Macbeth'. To help at home, parents and pupils can access the GCSE Bitesize website and take tests and quizzes, read facts about characters, themes and plot and also watch videos. We are hoping to watch a live streaming in class by the Royal Shakespeare company in April.

YEAR 11 REVISION

Revision will continue up until the GCSEs start and takes place every Monday after school. Pupils will receive Prom Points for their attendance. To help at home parents can access the AQA exam board website and look at past papers. Pupils can revise using the revision booklets their teachers have given them, watch Mr Bruff You Tube clips that go through every text and question and go on GCSE Bitesize to take tests and revise key themes and characters from the set texts.

Community News - ECO—WE DAY

A group of some of our most active volunteers have recently returned from this year's WE Day concert at the SSE arena in Wembley London.

The trip also included a visit to Kew gardens with an overnight stay in London as we were invited to meet the celebrities as they arrived including Princesses Beatrice and Eugene on the Blue Carpet prior to the concert. The day showcased some of the UK's best and brightest performers, entrepreneurs and social activists, including actress Lily Collins, musicians Tokio Myers, the Vamps, HRVY and young advocates like Hayley Mulenda. With performances, speeches and personal stories sprinkled throughout the day, there wasn't a dull moment on the WE Day stage. This included one of our students **Aliyah Rayner** talking on stage about the students of Cardinal Allen raising money to help girls access education following puberty. – A proud moment for the school!



VINNY GLAD BAGS— Cardinal Allen Eco Group members have also been busy producing bags from recycled clothing for the Fleetwood Food Bank to reduce plastic pollution in the sea. The aim is that food parcels are distributed in the 'Vinny Glad Bags' that will be re-used instead of the plastic carrier bags that are being used at the moment.

'Plastic waste is becoming an ever increasing problem, especially once it gets into the sea and breaks up into tiny fragments and enters the food chain. It is great the children are doing something to help save our environment.' Andrew Harding-Community Coordinator at Cardinal Allen High School.

BIG SCHOOL BIRDWATCH— Following delivery of 'Big School Birdwatch' assemblies to a few Primary schools, our Eco group conducted our own survey. Again, this year as expected the most common birds observed were seagulls followed by magpies. Oystercatchers sheltering on the field gave our results a special Fleetwood total. Following last year's results research has been conducted around the country to find out why starling numbers showed a sharp decline.

FAIRTRADE FORTNIGHT— Our Eco group have been busy delivering the Fairtrade message to nine primary schools during Fairtrade Fortnight. This year Fabulously Fantastic Fairtrade Fred returned helping shoppers around the town making the right decision when visiting supermarkets. **Molly Hendley**, Year 8, mentioned *'It is great knowing that children are now buying Fairtrade products because its Fair'*

LOVE MY BEACH— Following assemblies from Love my Beach we now have a team of Coastal Champions who will work with other schools around the area to reduce litter on the beach.

LITTER PICKING— The Eco group have been conducting regular litter picks around school. To help reduce litter please could parents minimise packaging in packed lunches.

WOODLAND— Animal shelters have been developed in the woodland to help our furry residents get through this seemingly never ending spell of cold weather.

INTERACT GROUP

DISCO— Following **Aliyah Rayner's** Virgin Scholarship to India our Interact Group organised a Disco for Year 7 and 8 pupils, raising almost £200 to enable girls to access education. Again, the behaviour of our students was excellent with much enjoyment had by all.

CROCUS PLANTING— Our Interact group have recently planted 4000 crocus bulbs on the school's front lawn and at Manor Beach Primary School to raise awareness of the Rotary Club's campaign against Polio. Crocuses are planted to represent the dye painted on people's fingers following vaccination in Afghanistan. Fingers crossed our resident magpies miss them as they germinate.

THE MOUNT REDEVELOPMENT PROJECT—Our Interact Group has been busy helping with the Fleetwood Mount Redevelopment Project. Recently they spent a day designing a series of structures, events and interventions along the Esplanade, with the intention to draw people along this path from the tram stop. This fits into future developments happening over the next couple of years aiming at increasing connection and traffic here. Students developed skills in map making, model making, design, site analysis and presentation.

Heather Bryan, Year 8, commented *~It was an incredible experience and I'm really looking forward to Fleetwood changing and advancing'.*



BBC SCHOOL REPORT—Check our reporters out on the BBC School report page <http://www.bbc.co.uk/news/education-41775798> proving we have plenty of reporting talent amongst our students.

POPPY WORKSHOP — Our Interact Group have started making our allocation of Poppies for Fleetwood's proposed sculpture of 10000 poppies made from plastic bottles to commemorate 100 years since the end of WW1. Thank you for the tuition and advice from members of Fleetwood Town Council and the Willows Garden project.



School needs 1600 bottles!! Please could these (Preferably 2 litre dimpled base bottles) be sent in to school asap so they can be incorporated in this sculpture which promises to put Fleetwood's contribution to the Centenary commemorations on the national map.

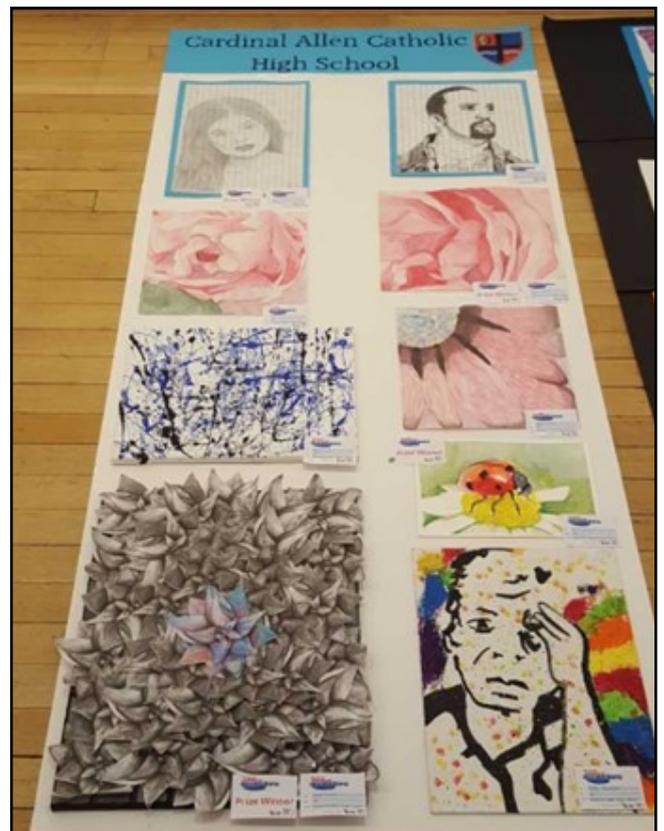
BOCCIA— Boccia club running on Thursday lunchtimes has been flourishing with a kit donated from Boccia UK.

GOLF— Further to our partnership with Knott End Golf club and Golf UK students from school are receiving free lessons and membership. If you would like your child to take up this offer please contact Mr Harding at school.

COMMUNITY— Our award winning Community Group work with senior members of the community to help develop IT skills. Currently we are looking at how different communities around the world celebrate Christian festivals. If you know of anyone who would like to join the group to develop their IT skills or just for a bit of company on Tuesday afternoons contact Mr Harding at school

YOUNG SEASIDERS COMPETITION

A huge congratulations to **Olivia Smith, Ellena Dallas, Elise Hadgraft** and **Kady Moden** whose amazing artworks were awarded prizes in the Evening Gazette's Young Seaside's competition. The Art Department would also like to commend all those whose fantastic works were exhibited at 'The Gallery', Blackpool & Fylde College.



ROTARY FLEETWOOD

Congratulations to **Sam Howarth** who has won the Rotary Fleetwood Young Photographer Competition throughout the Fleetwood schools. Sam will go on to compete in the District competition, covering Lancashire and Cumbria. The Art Department would like to wish Sam the best of luck!



Art Club Monday 3:05-4:05PM

If you need extra help with Art classwork or homework, or simply want to try a new skill then come to Art Club!

GCSE CATCH UP SESSIONS

Wednesday 3:05-4:05PM

REMINDER OF LUNCHTIME SESSIONS

Monday 1:15-1:45pm - KS3 Homework Club.

Thursday 1:15-1:45pm – GCSE Catch-up.



Term Dates For 2018—2019

Autumn Term 2018

Re-open for pupils on
Half Term
Last Day of Term—12.30 finish

Wednesday 5th September
Monday 22nd October—Friday 26th October
Friday 21st December

Spring Term 2019

Re-open for pupils on
Half Term
Last Day of Term—12.30 finish

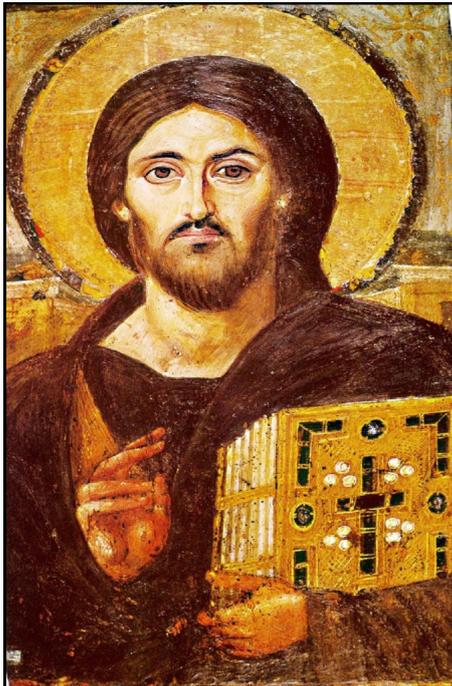
Monday 7th January
Monday 18th February—Friday 22nd February
Friday 5th April

Summer Term 2019

Re-open for pupils on
May Day
Half Term
Last Day of Term—12.30 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.



Easter Greetings

The Icon shown is that of Christ Pantocrator. “Pantocrator” simply means “Almighty”. This Icon is the oldest known and resides in St Catherine’s Monastery on Mount Sinai. The two different facial expressions on either side emphasise Christ’s two natures as fully God and fully human.

I would like to wish all our readers a Holy and restful Easter. At Easter, Christians celebrate the salvation won for us by the Lord Jesus through His suffering, death and resurrection. I hope this season is a time of spiritual renewal for all and that you are filled with the peace of the Lord.

**A reminder that school will close for the Easter break
at 12.20 on Wednesday 28th March
and re-open on Monday 16th April 2018**