

Chaplaincy Newsletter

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Christmas Edition

Despite another lockdown, and intermittent isolations of both students and staff, we have had such a positive term at Cardinal Wiseman. Everyone has entered into the spirit of Christmas and the preparations for the birth of Christ, whether that preparation was sacramentally, through prayer or giving. I am delighted to share with you our journey through Advent.

The Year 7 & 8 Choirs and musicians were disappointed when they realised we could not perform live to family and friends as in previous years but their hard work at rehearsals paid off when we spent a morning in the parish church of Our Lady of the Visitation recording the Lessons and Carols liturgy. With grateful thanks to Fr Eugene, Mr Phelps, Peter Van Dorp and Our Lady of the Visitation Primary School. Please click the link to watch our end of term Liturgy,

 [XMAS CHOIR SERVICE 1.mp4](#)



Year 8 & 9 Christmas Hampers

Year 8 and 9 tutor groups made hampers for families who are in need. The response was truly amazing. Through the generosity of staff, students and their families over 35 hampers were made and distributed locally in the last two days.



All Things for Christ

Competition Winners!

Year 7

Advent Calendar Competition

- 1st Prize: Maria Kietla 7B2
2nd Prize: Miguel Gonzales-Balio 7B1
3rd Prize: Jonas Treigys 7A5

Angel Competition

Jessica A, Lucy, Christine (7A5) and Mary (7A2)

Year 8

Advent Calendar Competition

- 1st Prize - Joint winners
Vittoria Wheeler 8B1
Vanessa Wheeler 8A3
Runners up
Zofia Boczkaja 8B2
Majd and Johan 8B1
Wiktor Imanski 8B2

Angel Competition

Oliwia and Natalia 8A2

Congratulations to all



Made by Maria Kietla 7B2



Made by Vittoria Wheeler 8B1



Made by Vanessa Wheeler 8A3



Year 7 were set the challenge of assembling back packs for the overseas catholic charity, Mary's Meals. Each back pack had to contain specific items which would equip and enable a child who has very limited resources to attend school. The Year 7 students did a marvellous job. Over 100 backpacks are ready in their sacks to be collected in January.

The Year 8 Justice and Peace group have been extremely busy and giving up their lunch times to make hand made Christmas cards to sell to staff members.

Their chosen charity this year is the Catholic Children's Society. Congratulations to the group, the card sale raised over £100.



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On Thursday 17th December the whole school participated in a fundraiser for Ealing Foodbank. A voluntary donation of £1 was asked for in return for wearing non uniform. We look forward to sharing with you how much was raised. Janet Fletcher, Ealing Foodbank Manager, has asked for her thanks to be passed on to all the students and their families for their generosity and continuous support this year.



Year 12 students have been busy donating, collecting, boxing and wrapping women's toiletries and baby items for Refuge. Refuge is a United Kingdom charity providing specialist support for women and children experiencing domestic violence. Refuge provides a national network of specialist services, including emergency refuge accommodation. Organised by Year 12 student Rosina Melly, students put together 30 packages which have been taken straight to the refuge centres.



The boxes have been taken to several houses in West London which house over 60 women and their children.



**Lord, as we set our hearts on You we pray.
You are trustworthy, You are faithful and You are the giver of the gift of peace.
We ask that You fill us this Christmas season.
As others see Your peace within us, let them recognize You as Saviour.
In Jesus' Name we pray, Amen.**



All Things for Christ