



# Bishop Ullathorne Catholic School



## Headteacher's message

**M**uch of this term has been dominated by public GCSE and A level examinations or our internal end of year examinations. What a contrast last Friday was when students, and staff alike, were able to have fun together during our fancy dress sponsored walk and games.

What is key, though, to all of our work and extra-curricular activities is the quality, depth and warmth of relationships in our school community. We have a great school with wonderful students and staff, well supported by parents.

In September, both Mr Billings and I will share the Headship role here until Governors appoint a permanent Headteacher. As Executive Headteacher, I will focus on the strategic side of the Headship whilst Mr Billings, as Head of School, will be responsible for the day-to-day running of our school. I will be in school on Monday and Tuesday and when needed.

We give thanks for the many blessings of this year and we look forward to the new academic year which begins for all of our students on Tuesday 5 September at 8.40am.

*Jane Byrne*

Students return to school on Tuesday 5 September 2017 at 8.40am

## Heading to the top

Our new Head Boy and Head Girl, **Joseph Glover** and **Djocy Bitulu**, were elected last month following a closely fought, yet entirely amicable, contest. Eight students in total gave highly engaging presentations about what they could bring to the role and sixth form students and teaching staff voted for their chosen nominees. Finding their feet straight away, Joseph and Djocy carried out their first public engagement at the recent Vocational Mass at Holy Family Church. They have also helped with our Year 5 Humanities Day and are looking forward to the challenges ahead.

**Djocy** is proud of her African heritage. Having moved to England from the Congo with her family when she was a baby, Djocy would like to re-visit Africa to discover more about where she was born. She lived in London briefly, then started primary school at St Mary and St Benedict. Her three siblings, ranging from five to 11, are following in Djocy's confidently placed footsteps.



Her unusual name is an original choice devised by her mum. It combines her dad's name, Djo, and also her mum Cecile's. As Djocy has moved through school, she says that she has grown to love how interesting it is. In the past, she preferred to use her middle name. Now she is comfortable with her own identity and wants others to feel the same.

Studying A Level Philosophy and Ethics, Mathematics and Psychology, Djocy brings a broad spectrum of talents to her new role. She says that she has always engaged with her subjects and loves the way that there are answers to questions but different ways of getting there. She hopes to go to university to study Philosophy and Law to build upon her evaluative skills.

Djocy spends a lot of time reading. Psychological thrillers and autobiographies make her aware of what battles people face. She believes that we should always be kind to others as we do not know how they are feeling.

She says: "I am a caring person and always speak to people if they look like they need support. I always try new things despite being nervous because that shapes us as people. This is a great school and I am hoping to make it even better. I intend to enjoy every minute. School is the best time of your life. There is always someone there for you."

**Joseph** was born and bred in Coventry and has always lived in Willenhall. He attended St Anne's primary school and is also proud of his name, particularly his middle name: Gerald. Named after his grandad, he would like to keep family traditions going.



He is currently studying A Level Geography, History and Theatre Studies. He says that he loves acquiring the knowledge behind his subjects and is passionate about drama. As many students may know, Joseph has performed in several school productions over the years. Most notably, his portrayal of Miss Trunchbull in Matilda had everyone guessing who the actor behind the deceptive costume was. He is also no stranger to a challenge. Having spent time directing The Tempest, Joseph was suddenly called upon to work magic and step into a lead role at very short notice.

He said: "I love thinking about how to react to a situation and I love to learn about the brain and how it works. I always keep up-to-date with politics and world news on whatever device I can. Finding out more is really inspirational."

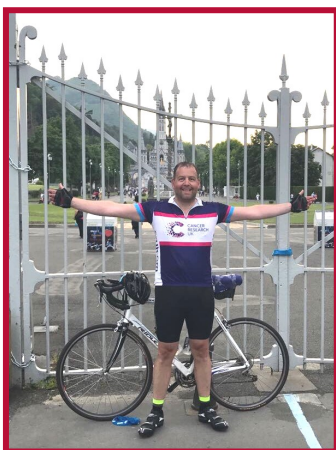
Joseph is also fighting fit and ready to take to the ring to face whatever challenges are ahead. Instead of paying expensive prices to attend a gym, he trains twice a week with a respected local boxing trainer.

He added: "Boxing develops your determination to see things through to the end. I personally enjoy the training and discipline side of boxing as well as keeping fit. My message to others is to learn to appreciate everything and everyone. As soon as I knew that I could be Head Boy, I seized the opportunity with both hands. I am very grateful."



## Successful cycle

**R**ob Ridley, our Chair of Governors, successfully completed his charity bike ride from Dieppe to Lourdes at the end of May. Cycling over 1200km in extreme heat in just six days really took its toll. However, Rob made it to Lourdes in time for the opening Mass which marked the start of Birmingham's annual Diocesan pilgrimage.



"This has been by far the hardest challenge I have ever faced, or am ever likely to face." said Rob. "I had not planned for the unseasonably hot temperatures I had most days cycling down through France. It made me feel like a human sundial! It was a phenomenal experience which I will never forget. Much more than a bike ride."

Rob would like to thank everyone for their generosity and support. A total of £5,400 was raised for Cancer Research UK, which is greatly appreciated.



## City-wide rotary awards

**C**ity-wide prizes for excellence were scooped by two of our Year 11 Design and Technology students last month. At the presentation evening held at Central Hall, **William Warnock** won an award



for Excellence in Construction and **Maja Opiela** was awarded Excellence in Catering and Hospitality. William, already overwhelmed by winning the first award, also received the Rotary Club Award for Quality.

Alongside this, ten of our Year 11 students had their work displayed in the Design and Technology Exhibition at the Coventry Transport Museum. Now in its twentieth year, this is the first year in which a Bishop Ullathorne student has won a city-wide food award in Rotary Club history.



## Energy levels high

Fifty of our Year 8 students took part in a four-hour physics workshop this month. Featuring careers information and a range of activities, Energy Quest was a fun way to encourage students to choose Science, Technology, Engineering and Mathematics subjects. Students investigated different sources of energy and then designed, built and tested elastic powered vehicles.

# Tomorrow's Engineers

## Physiotherapy Taster Day

Some of our Year 10 students attended a Physiotherapy Taster Day at Coventry University last month. The programme consisted of a short talk about physiotherapy and a tour of the new science/health buildings. Students were also able to carry out activities in the physiotherapy laboratories.

## Girl power

Two of our girls are planning to attend a four day Girls into Engineering residential course at the University of Warwick at the end of term.

"I wanted to do this because it is an inspirational and once-in-a-life time opportunity and it can help with my future. It also provides a unique perspective on university life." **Tracey Ira Ngongo**

"I applied for the residential because I saw it as an incredible opportunity. I am looking forward to expanding my knowledge on this subject and to experience and learn new things." **Tracey Essel**



## Residential experiences

Four of our key stage 3 students were able to take part in a three-day residential course, organised by the Smallpiece Trust, at Coventry University this month.



"I enjoyed the automotive engineering trip because when I am older I want to be a car mechanic or an aerospace engineer. It gave me a taste of what it is like. I also saw the campus, which was good because I may go to university when I am older." **Adrian Alagaraj**

**Alagaraj**

"Ever since I was a small child I have aspired to be an automotive engineer. Two of my uncles are engineers and I am always interested in what they do and how things like cars and planes work. I enjoy disassembling and reassembling things and examining how they work and what components make them work." **Ethan Allister**

"It gave me a chance to learn and grow my knowledge about my dream job: an engineer. I also wanted to try living in a university to see if it was suitable for me in the future. I am interested in seeing how different things, such as cars, work and how they are manufactured." **Robert Dixon**

"I really wanted to attend the residential because I want to be a car designer and this helped me to understand a bit more about them." **Logan Greenway**

**Greenway**

## Science and Survival

The University of Warwick's Faculty of Science hosted its fourth fun-packed Science and Survival Day this month and 15 of our Year 9 students were able to attend. During the day, students were able to experience up to four different taster sessions with some of the university's leading academics. They were able to explore how science can help us to solve some of the 'big problems' facing the world today.



## Physicist of the Year

**M**ahira Choudhary,

who has already won a prize for her scientific essay writing this year, was recently awarded the Physicist of the Year Award 2017 at a prestigious



ceremony. The achievements, effort and progress of our Year 12 student were recognised at the University of Warwick event which was sponsored by the Ogden Trust. At the event, students were able to observe exciting experiments on centripetal force, gravitational waves and pendulums. An interesting and insightful lecture was delivered by Dr Rachel Edwards who showcased her research on rollercoasters and ultrasound waves. This month, Mahira will make her all-expenses-paid trip to the European Synchrotron Radiation Facility in Grenoble.

## New concepts

**F**ormer student, Joe Molloy, invited our Year 10 Product Design students to the Concept Group International business which he set up in 1999. Concept Group has a global reputation for finding new, efficient ways to help its customers design and build inspiring concept cars, prototypes and low volume vehicles. Our students were able to tour the facility and experience each stage in producing a concept car. This ranged from complex Computer Aided Design drawings to machining foam models and spraying them at the final stages.

Fabia Hully, Head of Design and Technology, said: "It was incredibly inspirational to see what a former student has achieved locally. It was also a fantastic way for our students to see the application of theory about processes and ergonomics."

## Coombe the area

**O**ur Year 13 Biology students visited Coombe Abbey to carry out detailed sampling techniques in the park and to look at how it is managed and conserved.

## Humanities Day

**A**round 250 Year 5 students from our partner primary schools were rotated in an activities carousel during Humanities Day. Having engaged in a range of energetic activities linked to the overall theme of 'Fruits of the Spirit', all of the students experienced a reflection activity. This was followed by a Mass.



## Football Focus

Our Year 10 boys' football team enjoyed a very successful season this year which culminated in winning the West Midlands Schools Cup. Having beaten Birmingham school, Langley, 6-2 in the final, the boys were rewarded with another honour. Each member of the team was presented with a Bishop Ullathorne sports tie for their commitment. Proudly sporting their new attire, the captain, **Jason Bongwanga**, and three of his team mates, **Ephraim Acheampong**, **Junaid Saleem** and **Madundo Semahimbo**, shared the secrets behind their team's success. They all hope to play at the Ricoh Arena next year in the final of the Coventry Schools Cup.



Captain, **Jason Bongwanga**, has been playing football since Year 4 at primary school and was only chosen to lead the current Year 10 team at the start of this season. He explains that this has been a huge honour. Jason plays centre back and says that he tries to stay calm and focused at all times on the pitch. His favourite player is defender John Stones as he is different to others and stands out.

"Winning the West Midlands Schools Cup was a highlight for me. I felt very happy when we had won. Everyone in the team is a nice person and we work hard together when we are playing other teams."



"Other players we have faced grumble or shout at each other when things get difficult. We do not. We stay strong, focused and supportive. We have great players who help each other to win trophies. I was surprised to be chosen as captain this year but it has been a real boost to my confidence. I have been praised for how well I have taken on the role. I hope to work in sport in the future."

**Ephraim Acheampong** only picked up football in school at the start of Year 10. He dedicates his time on the training pitch to focusing on how others play. He believes that he has improved by emulating the skills which he has seen his peers display on the pitch. His favourite player is Cante who is, according to Ephraim, a humble player. Ephraim is keen to thank his family for their on-going support.



He said: "I am passionate about football and playing with my friends. It gives me a feeling of team spirit, family and unity. I am immensely happy when I am playing with others and we are all working for each other. We have a good team spirit and things are always better when you pull together. I continue to learn from other players as they have played for longer. I have got better by watching them and studying what they do. I then add my own touch. I started off nervous but I have pushed myself and now feel more comfortable."

"Football gives you something positive to do. Life can sometimes be stressful and it takes your mind off it and relieves any burdens. School work can be hard and people can be judgemental in general. With football, if you try hard people respect that."

**Junaid Saleem** plays on the right. He says that he has a lot of stamina, has some good skills and gets the ball into the box well for his team mates.





His favourite player is Codraro as he has flair, skills, plays in a similar position and also has a similar hairstyle.

“Everyone in our team lifts each other. We are all incredibly proud of our achievements this year. We are all friends and this really helps. Football is something which I really enjoy. It would be good to have a career doing something which you love. Working hard in school to get good grades is really important even if a career in football comes along.”

**Madundo Semahimbo**, began playing football in Year 3. He plays for Coventry Elite outside school which is just behind Coventry Academy in professional rankings. He trains at Grace Academy twice a week and also plays matches on Saturdays. These can sometimes be as far afield as the south coast. Hazard is his favourite player as he is good at dribbling, is clinical and makes accurate decisions under pressure.



“Representing school keeps you fit and it is a lot of fun to face opposition. I enjoy football. If I feel stressed, then I go and kick a ball. However, education always comes first. I would like to gain an apprenticeship when I leave school and will work hard to achieve that.”

Michael Anstee, Teacher of PE, added: “I am very proud of the boys. In the final, they put on a dominant display which rounded off an excellent season.”



## Water day to remember

The whole school was involved in a very wet fancy dress sponsored walk this month. With some brave teachers in the stocks and fantastic water activities, there was no escaping the fun.



## Athletics

The Year 7 and Year 8 Coventry West Athletics Championships took place at the end of June. Our girls' qualifiers were:

Girls	Student	Event
Year 7	Chelsea Orisa	150m and 600m
	Plamedie Yompela	shot putt
	Vivienne Egbuchulem	discus
	Vivienne Egbuchulem Libby Legge Chelsea Orisa Kiera Rock	relay team
Year 8	Eniola Olatunde	100m
	Katie Troccoli	200m and long jump
	Jorja Lee Jones	discus and javelin
	Paris McKillop	javelin
	Eniola Olatunde Aleigha Stephenson Katie Troccoli Aimee Zengeya	relay team

Our boys' qualifiers were:

Boys	Student	Event
Year 7	Jesse Buyoya	hurdles
	Noel Angafor	triple jump and 150m
	Noel Angafor Kian Christie Axel Edie Temi Oke	relay team
Year 8	Corey McClounan Darryl Nwafor	Shot putt
	Brian Essel	100m
	Peter Gathigi	long jump and 200m
	Ben Carpenter	triple jump and 800m champion
	Ben Carpenter Peter Gathigi Brian Essel Lorcan Lenehan	relay team

**Plamedie Yompela** (Year 7) also represented Coventry in the West Midlands Track and Field Championships at the Alexandra Stadium in Birmingham last month.

## Sky's the limit

One of our students is so quick off the mark that he has been crowned the fastest student in the West Midlands over 100m. **Oluwatobi Oke**, Year 9, sprinted to victory at the West Midlands Schools Track and Field Championships last month. Tobi was then chosen to represent the West Midlands at the prestigious English Schools Athletics Track and Field Championships, which was broadcast live on Sky Sports.

**Tobi** said: "I went to Lithuania for the International Children's Games. I worked very hard to get the chance to compete. I was very excited to run against other children my age from different countries around the world. My parents are very supportive, happy and proud of my sporting achievements and I hope to be even more successful later in life."

## Helping hand

Several of our former St Thomas More students helped out at the primary school's Sports Day this year. The following Year 9 students had a great time supporting proceedings at the University of Warwick's track: **Thomas Burke, Ciaran Cosgrove, Niamh Cosgrove, Jamie Farrell, Conor McPherson, Isabella Monsanto, Callum Murray, Tobi Oke, Hannah Pritchett, Ashvir Sandhu, Isobel Thompson.**





## Musical movements

Our students have the opportunity to attend individual lessons in a variety of instruments and voice. They are then encouraged to take externally assessed examinations. The latest highlights are shown below.

Emma Babinski	Grade 1	Theory	Distinction
Tallula Bahra	Grade 2	Theory	Distinction
Diarmuid Gaffney	Grade 5	Piano	Merit
Niamh Hatfield	Grade 2	Piano	Distinction
Aisleen Nelan	Grade 2	Theory	Distinction

## GCSE Drama

Last month, our GCSE drama students took to the stage for their showcase performances.



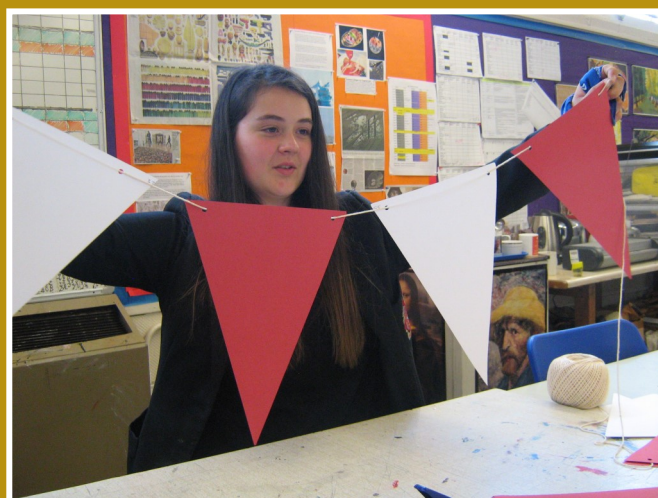
## Star of the Month

Our Star of the Month award has so far celebrated the achievements of 40 students with a pin badge, letter home and recognition on the celebration wall. The student achieving the most ACE points for positive behaviour and attitude this term was **Weronika Pawelec**.



## Close knit club

Members of our weekly Art Club have been learning how to knit this term and produced a woollen rabbit. Students have also designed posters for our Summer production of *Grease* and made bunting and a banner for the set.



## Band practice

Every Tuesday morning, some of our students attend steel band practice. Our orchestra and singers have also been meeting every Thursday after school to rehearse for *Grease*.

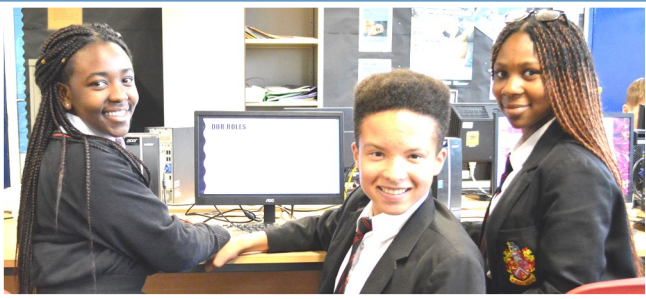




## Enterprise Club

Year 9 students in our Tuesday Enterprise Club have been designing and creating a new healthy drink to see if they have what it takes to be the next Steve Jobs. Before the end of term, they will present their ideas to a panel of Year 10 Business Studies students. The winning team and runner up will be entered into a Coca Cola competition when it becomes live. The annual competition encourages students to collaborate and be creative.

Amrit Gill, Teacher of Business Studies, said: "The enthusiasm and creativity of the students has definitely impressed me. They are also very enterprising and conscious of the costs involved in creating a new product."



## Lenten collections

Students throughout the school worked together to raise money for a variety of charities during Lent including Father Hudson's Care, Zoe's Place, The Teenage Cancer Trust and CAFOD.

Year 7 students, for instance, raised a grand total of £852.67 for CAFOD through daily collections and fundraising. Each group decided how to allocate what they had raised.

Members of the Chaplaincy group attended the annual Good Shepherd Mass and presented a cheque to Bishop Robert Byrne who was the chief concelebrant at the Mass organised by Father Hudson's Care.



This year, representatives of all year groups and staff attended the Vocations Mass for the city which took place at the Holy Family Church. The theme was 'Robed in Glory'. Prior to the Mass, students revisited the theme of Vocations in their RE class and were involved with the planning and production of a piece of art work to show how Christ is in all aspects of school life, work, play, relationships and in our response to the wider community.

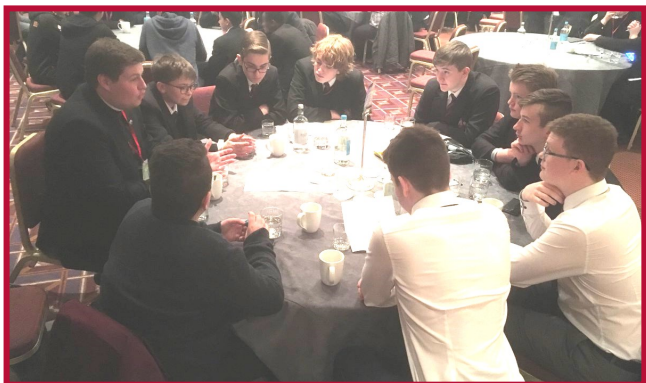
Maria Doherty, Assistant Headteacher, said: "Reaching out to those in need is an important part of our school mission. Students are encouraged to appreciate the good in their own lives and the need to respond positively to help the poor and vulnerable."





## Motorcycle madness

Hosted at the National Motorcycle Museum in Solihull, the Face2Face Vocations Day offered a wide range of experiences. Ten of our students engaged in discussion before browsing the museum's exhibits.



## Spelling buzz

Our first Spelling Bee competition attracted over 200 students. Unassuming **Maggie Keane** took the overall title for key stage 3 and her name is engraved on our new annual Spelling Bee trophy.

Year	Winner
7	<b>Aimee Timms</b>
8	<b>Himani Patel</b>
9	<b>Maggie Keane</b> and overall competition winner



## University challenges

Several of our key stage 4 students are making solid links with universities and learning what to expect at graduate level. With only 24 places available to Coventry-based students, three of our Year 11 students were selected to attend a Summer School at the University of Cambridge during the holidays. Staying in Clare College's Old Court, they will attend lectures, undertake a research project and experience an important social aspect for many students at Cambridge University: they will learn to row on the River Cam.

Another six lucky students from Year 10 have already attended a three-night residential Summer School at the University of Warwick this month. In addition, 15 Year 10 students participated in a Pathways to Law event at the University of Warwick. The day included workshops and a question and answer session led by practising lawyers as well as sessions delivered by university students. Eight students from Year 9 and eight students from Year 10 participated in a visit to the University of Warwick led by the Ambassador Student Progression Team. The day consisted of a tour, workshops and a team challenge. All of which gave a strong insight into university life.

## Forest fires students

PALS Club members were inspired by a forest school programme this term. The successful club concluded with an end of term party.





## Transition day

Our Year 7 students and staff have been visiting primary schools this month as part of the smooth transition from primary school. The Year 6 students also visited Bishop Ullathorne and took part in a range of subjects while meeting key members of staff.



## Mock General Election

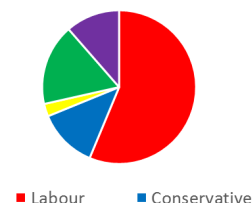
Labour was the outright winner of our mock General Election. All of our classes and 35 Year 12 students had the opportunity to vote.

**Zaib Ali, Harry Davies, Joseph Day, Jesus Simao, and Jacob Weeks**

performed their administrative roles well and there was a great buzz of excitement as votes were counted.



Turnout	90.5%
Papers spoilt	135
Labour	296
Green	90
Conservatives	66
UKIP	60
Liberal Democrats	14



Mock Government: Labour Party

Mock Official Opposition: The Green Party



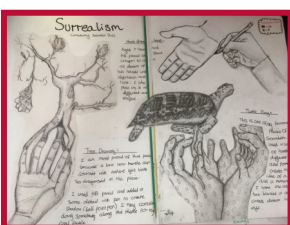
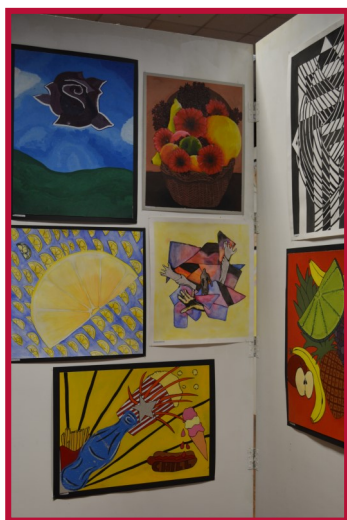
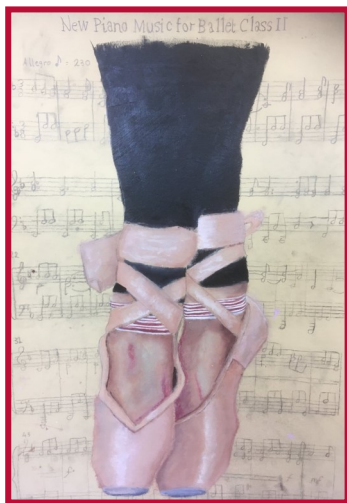
## Dovedale trip

Our Year 10 Geography students took part in a one-day field trip in the Peak District last month. At Dovedale, students worked with the guidance of their teachers to collect data about the impact of humans on the specialised environment. Walking three miles along a stone footpath to collect data, they were suitably attired in sensible footwear and waterproof clothing.



## Take art

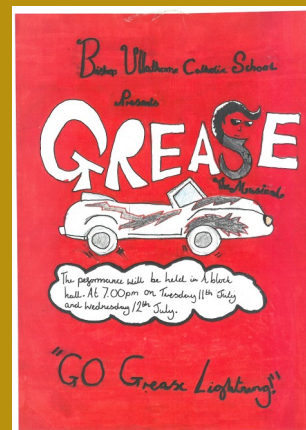
**G**CSE and AS Art students exhibited their final pieces of work in the Old Chapel recently. Some pieces are pictured below.



## Grease poster competition

**L**ucy Clarke in Year 7 won the competition to design a poster to advertise our production of *Grease*. She was presented with two free tickets for the show and a £10 voucher.

Lauren Phillips, Teacher of Drama, said: "The entries were amazing and it was difficult to pick a winner."



## Grease lightning!

**O**ver 40 students were involved in bringing our school production to life. Our students from all year groups explored how to perform choreographed dances, musical numbers and make sets.

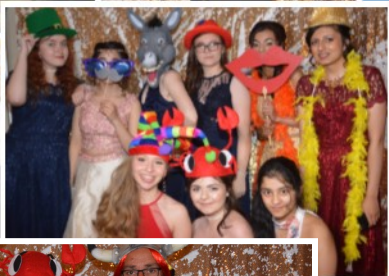
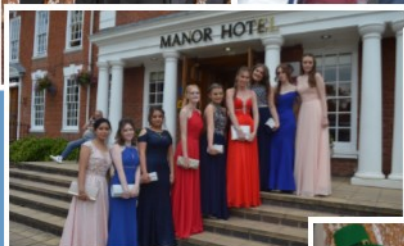
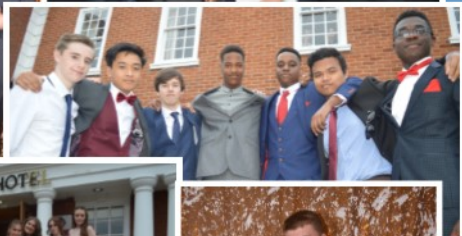
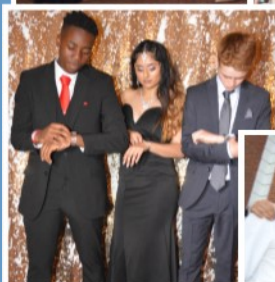
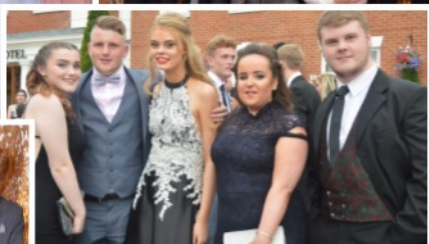
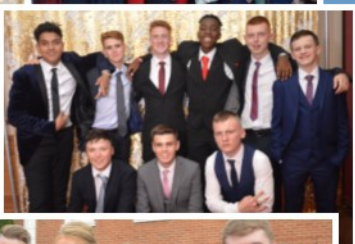
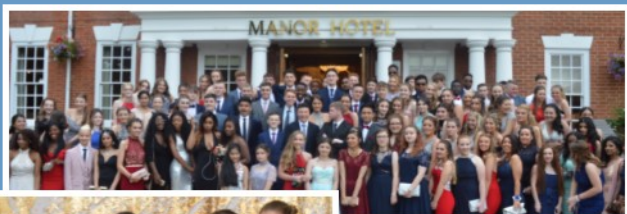
Performances took place on **Tuesday 11 July** and **Wednesday 12 July** from 7pm.





## Year 11 Ball in pictures ...

Our Year 11 students celebrated at The Manor Hotel in Meriden this year. Denise Durkan, Key Stage Coordinator, said: "Our Year 11 students worked incredibly hard until the last minute. The celebratory events were a fitting tribute to their commitment to learning and our school community. I wish them all every luck for the future."



## Sixth form update

The sixth form curriculum has been enhanced this term through students accessing various programmes and activities: Pathways to Law; Realising Opportunities at the University of Warwick; Summer School places; Life Skills workshops; Aspiring Professionals Workshops and Oxbridge shadow taster days.

## Sixth form induction

A three-day Sixth Form Induction Programme, full of stimulating activities, was enjoyed by next year's potential sixth formers. The programme included:

- Team building activities and information and guidance about starting studies in September.
- A visit to De Montfort University to gain an insight into university life
- Taster sessions from A Level subjects which students wish to study.

## Work experienced

All of our Year 12 students also took part in work experience this month to develop their employability skills. A number of students have been accepted on to the Nuffield Programme, which includes a week's work experience at the University of Warwick and Coventry University on a science research programme. Some of our other sixth form students have been helpers at University Hospitals Coventry and Warwickshire NHS Trust. Students on the HE+ programme made presentations on their individual projects to other sixth form groups and the academic staff of Clare College.

## University library visits

To enhance their study skills, Coventry University and the University of Warwick's library staff welcomed our students to use their facilities.

## Just the business

Year 13 Business Studies students attended a revision conference at Cineworld in Birmingham this Summer. Led by experienced AQA examiners, the day comprised short talks and student activities.



## City centre collection

As part of the A Level Geography course, students visited Birmingham city centre this term to collect data for their non-examined assessment. On a very cold Wednesday in March, students visited the new Grand Central Station, the Mailbox, Bullring, Brindley Place, Centenary Square and Birmingham Library. Representatives from the local council and marketing executives at the Mailbox were interviewed and data was collected to assess regeneration in Birmingham. Dissertation style reports, which contribute to 20 per cent of the final examination grade, are currently being compiled.



## Skills for life

All of our Year 12 students participated in a Life Skills morning with sixteen employers, organised by Mrs Bellingham, our careers adviser. The employers helped our students to gain an insight into the importance of high quality CVs. Each student was interviewed and received personal feedback.

One of the visiting employers said: "It was an excellent event, very well organised, starting with the students giving directions for parking and where the event was being held. I was so impressed with how keen and enthusiastic the students were to learn about how to conduct themselves in an interview and how smart they looked."



## Year 13 Ball in pictures ...

This year's Leavers' Mass was celebrated by Father Andrew and followed by fun activities. The Year 13 Ball was held again at Coombe Abbey and proved a very fitting way for our students to celebrate.



# Holiday dates

We close for the holidays on

**Friday 21 July 2017 at 1.30 pm**

The new term starts on

**Tuesday 5 September 2017 at 8.40am**

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## Uniform reminder

### Boys' uniform

Blazer and jumper	A plain black blazer with Bishop Ullathorne badge and a Bishop Ullathorne jumper with red V neck.
Trousers	Black.
Shirt	White, worn with the school clip-on tie.
Shoes	Plain, conventional, black outdoor shoes - no trainers.

### Girls' uniform

Blazer and jumper	A plain black blazer with Bishop Ullathorne badge and a Bishop Ullathorne jumper with red V neck.
Skirt	Black knee length. A Trutex black pleated skirt is recommended.
Trousers	Tailored black.
Shirt	White, worn with the school clip-on tie.
Shoes	Sensible, plain, conventional, flat, black outdoor shoes - no trainers

### Additional information

#### Jewellery—optional

One stud earring in each ear. No nose or tongue piercing.

#### Hairstyles

No extreme hairstyles.

#### Make up

No make up or nail varnish.

#### Electronic devices

Students are advised not to bring mobile phones, MP3 players, ipods or other electronic devices to school. If they are seen or heard, they will be confiscated for 24 hours.

## Dates for your diary

### Autumn term

(Teacher Training Days are Monday 4 September 2017 and Friday 29 September)

Tuesday 5 September 2017 to Friday 20 October 2017

#### Half term

Monday 23 October 2017 to Friday 27 October 2017

#### Autumn term (continued)

Monday 30 October 2017 to Thursday 21 December 2017

### Spring term

Monday 8 January 2018 to Friday 16 February 2018

#### Half term

Monday 19 February 2018 to Friday 23 February 2018

#### Spring term (continued)

Monday 26 February 2018 to Thursday 29 March 2018

### Summer term

(Monday 7 May 2018 is May Day Bank Holiday)

Monday 16 April 2018 to Friday 25 May 2018

#### Half term

Monday 28 May 2018 to Friday 1 June 2018

#### Summer term (continued)

Monday 4 June 2018 to Friday 20 July 2018

## Collecting results

### AS and A2 level results —Sixth Form Block

**Thursday 17 August 2017**

Year 13 arrive at 9am

Year 12 arrive at 10am

### GCSE results —B Block Hall

**Thursday 24 August 2017**

Year 11 arrive at 9am

Sixth form enrolment follows