

COLLEGE CALENDAR

21st November 2017 Sixth Form Information Evening 18:30 ~ 20:30
 26th November 2017 Griffin Mass

COLLEGE SPORTS FIXTURES

Football
 21st November 2017 Figures 5-a-side (A)
 22nd November 2017 U13's Girls v Hart (H)
Rugby
 22nd November 2017 Rudiments v Denstone(A)
 23rd November 2017 Figures v Cheslyn Hay (A)



House	27.10.2017	20.10.2017
Allen	95.7%	95.1%
Hinsley	95.5%	96.1%
Manning	94.0%	93.9%
Newman	93.7%	93.8%
Vaughan	96.4%	95.9%
Wiseman	94.7%	95.2%
Whole School	95.0%	95.0%



THE GRIFFIN

Cardinal Griffin Catholic College

Ad majorem Dei gloriam

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 Christmas Term
 Week 3

COLLEGE PRAYERS FOR THE WEEK

Morning Prayer

Lord, teach me to be generous:
 to serve you as you deserve;
 to give and not to count the cost;
 to fight and not to heed the wounds;
 to toil and not to seek to rest;
 to labour and to ask for any reward
 save that of knowing I do your will.
 Amen

Evening Prayer

May the Lord support us all the day long,
 till the shadows lengthen,
 and the evening comes,
 and the busy world is hushed,
 and the fever of life is over,
 and our work is done.
 Then, in his mercy,
 may he give us a safe lodging,
 a holy rest,
 and peace at last.
 Amen

Weekly Prayer

Dear God,
 As we wake to a brand new week we thank you for a fresh start. Your mercies are new every morning. Each day is a gift and it's your breath in our lungs, so we pour out our praise. We are excited about what this week might hold. You alone know the end from the beginning have good plans for us. We wait in eager anticipation.
 Amen

GRIFFIN DANCERS



Griffin Dancers have had many opportunities to perform and show their talents to various audiences. They had an amazing experience when invited to a local fundraiser supporting Liam Keeling and the cause of Meningitis, they performed amazingly, showing their strengths throughout the entire night. They were then invited to yet another event in which five dancers showcased their solo performances to celebrate Diwali. Griffin Dancers are always working towards different events including Prince of Wales and The Great Big Dance Off, which they are entering for the fifth time hoping to make it to the National Finals.

Year	Placing
2014	Regional & Nation Finalist
2015	Regional Finalist
2016	Regional & National Finalists
2017	Regional Finalists

CHURCH CALENDAR

Sunday 19th November 2017	33rd Sunday in Ordinary Time
Monday 20th November 2017	Weekday in Ordinary Time
Tuesday 21st November 2017	The Presentation of the Blessed Virgin Mary
Wednesday 22nd November 2017	St Cecilia, Virgin, Martyr
Thursday 23rd November 2017	St Columban, abbot, missionary
Friday 24th November 2017	Ss Andrew Dũng-Lạc, Priest, and Companions, Martyrs
Saturday 25th November 2017	St Catherine of Alexandria

OUR PARISH CHURCHES

St Mary's & St Thomas More
 Rev Fr Peter Weatherby
<http://www.cannockcatholic.org>
 07766 335591

Our Lady of Lourdes
 Rev Fr Jeremy Howard
<http://www.ourladyhednesford.com>
 01543 422576

St Joseph's, Burntwood
 Rev Fr Paul Haines
<http://www.stjosburntwood.co.uk/>
 01543 686266

St Joseph & St Etheldreda, Rugeley
 Rev Fr Peter Stonier
<http://www.rugeleycatholicchurch.co.uk/>
 01889 802531

LAY CHAPLAIN'S MESSAGE

AmDg

On Sunday the 26th November 2017 the Liturgy and Worship Group, along with many other students, will be celebrating Mass with the wonderful parish of St Mary's Church, Cannock. We will be celebrating the youth of our parish and displaying the Catholic work they undertake in the college community and beyond.

Mass starts at 10:30hrs and you are all welcome to come and celebrate with us.

I look forward to seeing you there.

LDS

The next two editions of the Griffin are being given over to the PE Department in order that they can share and celebrate the achievements of sports within the college. We are very proud that the college operates such a significant number and range of extra-curricular activities and as a consequence we "punch above our weight" when it comes to sporting fixtures. There are many reasons why parents wish to send their children to the college and this year we have received 175 first preferences for Year 7 places starting in September 2018. I am aware that many parents comment positively on range and extent of the extracurricular activities that are provided.



FOOTBALL ~ MASH UP



- ✓ Starts 23rd November 2017 ~ 15th February 2018
- ✓ Thursday 4-5pm ~ In PE kit ~ Cardinal Griffin 3G Pitch
- ✓ 50p per session
- ✓ Complete registration form to confirm your place
- ✓ Full payment of £5 is required for the 10 week block
- ✓ Hand completed registration form and payment to Mr Harris ASAP to confirm your place
- ✓ Available to both Boys & Girls
- ✓ Available for Cardinal Griffin pupils ONLY ~ Y7 ~ Y11
- ✓ You will play against pupils of same or similar age

Sessions Running

November 23rd ~ 30th
 December 7th ~ 14th
 January 11th ~ 18th ~ 25th
 February 1st ~ 8th ~ 15th



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RUGBY

Rudiments have started the year well, all completing seven weeks of Rugby in PE and building a strong foundation for our Rudiments Rugby team. Currently there are around 30 pupils training each week resulting in two teams being created. Our first competitive fixtures are next week against Denstone College, followed by Chase Terrace, Kingsmead and Codsall in the coming weeks.



Figures have begun the year very well, each week has seen the squad train and our results flourish. The year began with two competitive fixtures against Denstone College and Kingsmead, resulting in two comprehensive victories, 45-15 and 65-5. The boys have competed in the County Plate Rugby Tournament coming second, losing to Trentham High School. During the tournament, victories against Walton High, OSSMA, Windsor Park, Wednesfield High School and a draw against John Taylor helped secure our joint second place with John Taylor. Future fixtures

include Chase Terrace, Codsall, Cheslyn Hay, and Kingsmead with more planned for the New Year.



After a very successful year the Lower Grammar squad has picked up exactly where they left off. Throughout the initial half term the boys have trained weekly as a team and have grown in numbers, recruiting even more high quality players to add to the fold. This year has seen the boys play fixtures against Denstone College, achieving a record 45-5 win against the development side. We reached the third round of the County Cup with the next fixture due soon. The team has done incredibly well to reach this, it is the furthest any Cardinal Griffin team has progressed within the

competition. Future fixtures include The Erasmus Darwin Academy, Chase Terrace, Kingsmead, Cheslyn Hay and the next round of the County Cup if successful.



The year has started well for the squads in Upper Grammar and Syntax. The only fixture so far has been a four way tournament with both our squads competing. Both our teams were victorious against Brownhills and Chase Terrace, we finished the tournament in first and second place with our Syntax squad narrowly beating the Upper Grammar in the final game of the evening.

PUPIL SERVICES



EQUIPMENT

Highlighters and **White board markers** are now in stock at Pupil Services along with all of the required equipment

Black Pen, Green Pen, HP Pencil, Colouring Pencils, Rubber, Sharpener, Ruler, Calculator, Protractor, Compass, Pocket English Dictionary.