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Dear Parents and Carers

### **Newman Week and Feast Day – Monday 9<sup>th</sup> October – Friday 13<sup>th</sup> October 2023**

I wanted to let you know about some of the activities taking place next week to celebrate the feast day of our school patron.

Newman prayers and Newman Blog every morning (Mon-Thurs)

RE classes – life and work of St. John Henry Cardinal Newman (Mon – Thurs)

#### **Monday 9 October**

- Lunchtime Rosary in the Oratory
- Caritas pupils will lead a special Newman Day Rosary at Carfin Grotto (8pm)

#### **Tuesday 10 October**

- Caritas pupils lead rosary at Carfin Grotto (8pm)

#### **Wednesday 11 October**

- Lunchtime mass in honour of St. John Henry Cardinal Newman

#### **Thursday 12 October**

- Patronal Feast Day Mass with Bishop Toal and the priests of the local parishes (11.30am). S1, S2, S5 and S6 pupils will attend mass with representatives from S3 and S4. We will also be recognising the duty, hard work and commitment and the love shown by Fr Jim Morris PP St Gabriel's and Fr. Michael Brown PP Holy Family over the past 50 years and 25 years respectively. Both priests are former chaplains to Cardinal Newman High School.

#### **Concert – *Newmans Got Talent* (1.30-3.30pm)**

Young people with qualifying AABOUT merits will be invited to attend. We have space for 400 concert goers. Entry fee £1

#### **Friday 13 October**

Newman Activities Day (9.00am – 12.30pm)

- All young people should attend school in their PE kit / sportswear (usual rules apply – no football colours etc.) No classes on Friday. We are still finalising the timetable for the day. Activities will include:



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- **House Competition** - inflatable assault course and slides, bungee run, simulator etc.
- **Cinema experience** – Pupil Council are currently voting on the movies to be shown. We will also have a couple of treats for young people during the morning. Entry fee £2

We will use any money raised to cover some of the costs for the activities during the week and for our school charities.

We have invited representatives from SCIAF and St. Andrew's Hospice to our Patronal Feast Day Mass to receive cheques from our young people for cash they have raised so far this session for these two charities.

As always a huge thank you to Fr Parkes our school chaplain for his unfailing help and support and in particular for his contribution to this year's Newman Day Programme.

If you would like any further information about our Newman Week Programme please contact your child's pupil support teacher.

Every best wish,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'R. Smith', with a long horizontal flourish extending to the right.

Robert Smith  
Headteacher