



Sister Cinzia's Final Profession

I explained in last week's newsletter that I was attending Sister Cinzia's Final Profession in Brescia, in northern Italy, last weekend. This is the final stage in her vocation journey and so she is now finally a fully fledged member of her order, the Working Sisters of the Holy House of Nazareth.

It was a wonderful weekend culminating in the Mass on Sunday afternoon, which was concelebrated by ten priests, including Father David, and her bishop. In front of a packed church Sister Cinzia was called to commit the rest of her life to her order and their work, was prayed over and blessed, and given the symbol of the order to wear around her neck.

It was a very lively and joyful Mass, attended by her family and friends as well as many other sisters from the order and a large party of parishioners from Peterborough. The music was provided by three local choirs who had come together for the occasion and was extremely lively with a lot of drumming and clapping. Sister Cinzia was led into Mass by her parents and escorted out by her new sisters to loud applause from the congregation. A huge cake had been baked to mark the occasion which was cut and distributed in the parish centre after Mass.

I presented Sister with a card and gift from the school and the cards that students had made for her. She was delighted to receive these and asked me to pass on her thanks. She intends to return to Peterborough in June when she will thank everyone in person. We plan to put photos from the weekend on our website.

Saint Arcangelo Tadini

Sister Cinzia's order was founded by a man called Arcangelo Tadini in 1900. The sisters are committed to working and usually spend their time doing 'real work' such as working in factories. There are 200 sisters in the order in Italy, Brunei, Brazil and Peterborough.

Last year Pope Benedict canonised Angelo Tadini in a public ceremony in St Peter's Square in Rome, and thus he became Saint Angelo. To coincide with this the parish church in the village where the sisters are based and where he worked to establish the order was modernised and improved. The changes include a new chapel dedicated to the saint, the centre piece of which is an artwork by a renowned American artist. I was able to obtain a copy of this for school and later in the term, when Sister Cinzia returns, we will display this and tell the students Arcangelo Tadini's story.

Please remember Sister Cinzia, Saint Arcangelo Tadini and the Working Sisters in your prayers.

New Sports Council

Over the last few weeks we have been inviting nominations to our new Sports Council. A big thank you to all those students who completed an application form for the role of Sports Council Representative for their year group. Over 20 applications in total were submitted and it was very difficult in some cases to choose a representative. However, congratulations go to the following students who have been elected to form the St John Fisher Catholic High School Sports Council:

Year 7

Hassan Nawaz (7KI), Alice Bowden (7AK)

Year 8

Luis Birbeck (8BE), Aleksandra Tetnowski (8JO)

Year 9

Michael Baker (9PL), Elsaïda Memaj (9PL)

Year 10

Kyle O'Sullivan (10QU), Katherine Ager (10QU)

Silver Ambassadors

Stefan Salerno (12JS), Sean Titchmarsh (12TU)

This is another excellent way for students to be involved in the school: thank you to all those who submitted applications.

Sean Hayes

Pupil and Parent Perception Survey

As part of our monitoring and evaluation process, we have sent each family a Parent Perception Survey which will assist us in learning more about areas that parents feel we are successful in and also aspects of school where we need to improve.

Please could you ensure that you take time to complete this survey and return it to Student Services by Tuesday 11 May.

This week we celebrate the success of students in the Science Department

The following students are congratulated on their achievement and effort in Science:

Sixth Form	Michael Harding, Jim Jose, Connor O'Sullivan
Year 11	Shaban Adrees, Farwa Ahmed, Arifa Hashmi, Michael Jones, Ivan Nascimento, Sandra Widomska
Year 10	Chynna Pascual
Year 9	Antonio Feminille, Charlotte Phillips-Clarke, Dominika Poniewozik, Thomas Santin
Year 8	Lauren Buckley, Meriales Mahailah, Olivia Murfitt, Alex Tetnowski, Kelly White
Year 7	Andrew Bellars, Cherise Betts, Phoebe Kuc, Dahae Larham, Sophie Palmer



GCSE Media News

Congratulations to GCSE Media students Gjergj Baca, Aqil Malik, Liam Keyhoe, Iziah Robinson, Janine Kettle, Emily Kerrigan, Steph Beara, Claudio Marques, Ben Buttigieg, Mobasha Qayum, Kisty Macintosh, Emily Dogherty, Karina Akim and Sophie Smith. This week they will begin a four week training course with Peterborough FM. They will be learning the ins and outs of producing professional radio programmes, from how to operate a radio studio through to marketing and promoting their shows. On completing this training they will hopefully become part of the team of young people who will be broadcasting live on Peterborough FM, 87.7FM, from 29 May 2010 for one month.

I hope you will tune in and listen to our budding stars in action.

Sports News

Under 13 Boys' Cricket

The boys unfortunately lost their opening game to a very strong Jack Hunt team. Matches take place this week against Stanground College as the team go for their first win!

Gemma Titchmarsh (Yr 10)

On Monday 3 May Gemma, representing the City of Peterborough Rowing Club, took part in the Wallingford Regatta at Dorney Lake, Eton. She rowed in the quadruple sculls event. Her team finished 1st in their heat, which was an extremely difficult qualification with only the top 2 progressing to the final. Her team qualified for the final with the quickest time in what can only be described as horrible wet and cold conditions. The final was delayed over an hour. When they eventually got going the team put in an amazing effort to finish second. Congratulations to Gemma and her quadruple sculls team as they continue to go from strength to strength!

PE Kit

At present the PE Department is striving to improve standards of PE kit as well as raising levels of participation in PE lessons. Increasingly, students are arriving to PE lessons without any form of PE kit or they are bringing in kit which is incorrect. I would like to remind all parents that the school has a specific uniform list for PE lessons, which can be found on page 3 of the student diary. You are probably aware we have recently changed suppliers in a bid to reduce costs to parents. PE kit can now be purchased directly from school via Student Services. Prices are:

New Style

Rugby Shirts	Size 30 – 36	£15.95
Rugby Shirts	Size 38 – 48	£18.95
Polo Shirts	Age 11 – 14	£6.95
Polo Shirts	S, M, L	£7.95
Gum Shield		£1.00

GCSE PE Polo shirt with lettering £10.00

GCSE PE Polo shirt with lettering and number £12.00

Old Style

Polo Shirts	Various Sizes	£4.00
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I would like to remind parents and students of the consequences for not bringing PE kit to lessons:

- 1) If a student fails to bring kit to lesson they are automatically given a Room 104 lunchtime detention for that day, or the following day if their lesson is Period 4. If the student fails to attend the lunchtime detention they will be given an after school Thursday night detention.
- 2) If a student has a note written by a parent for injury/illness they will still be required to wear kit in lesson and will to be given a non-active role in the lesson i.e. referee or coach.
- 3) If a student persistently fails to bring kit to lesson then their parent/guardian will be invited to attend a meeting with Mr Baron and his/her PE teacher to discuss a way forward.

Students who consistently bring kit are rewarded, ie merits, visits off site, sports equipment.
