



Newman Catholic School

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Dear Parent/carer

I am delighted to announce that, after a long period of negotiations, the purchase of the land to rebuild Newman Catholic School has been finally agreed. The Blackwell site in Carlisle will be the new home for Newman Catholic School.

I am sure the governors, staff, students and parents will be very happy with the prospect of a new contemporary school, which will cater for some 700 students from Year 7 through to sixth form, ensuring Catholic secondary education continues and develops in Carlisle in an engaging and attractive environment.

It is heartening that we start 2018 with some excellent news about the future of the school. It comes at a time when we celebrated some of our best GCSE and A level results ever, which are right up there with the best schools nationally. We are moving onwards to a new site and are right at the top in terms of the Department for Education performance tables.

The Diocesan Trustees and the Bishop of Lancaster are fully supportive of this project and are very happy that the new site has been purchased and that progress can now be made to provide a new Catholic school fit for the 21st Century.

The Diocese is very grateful for the support received so far from Cumbria County Council and others too for this new build project, which is a great investment in our young people.

It is the news we have all been waiting for. All members of the school and wider communities of Carlisle will soon be able to enjoy the fantastic facilities our new school will bring to this developing area of the city.

May I take this opportunity to thank you for your continued and valued support during the year and to wish you a happy and relaxing half term holiday.

Yours sincerely

J McAuley
Headteacher

