



THE ORATORY
PREP SCHOOL

Curiosity | Kindness | Wisdom

The Newman Programme

Year 5 - Year 8



The Newman Programme

COR AD COR LOQUITUR

The Oratory Prep School was founded by Saint John Henry Newman. As an educationalist and academic, he was able to use his experiences to inform his writing, which then went on to inspire so many.

Cor ad Cor Loquitur

From September 2023, our Saturday morning provision for Year 5 upwards will be known as The Newman Programme. It will, following parental feedback, consist of three strands:



Academic



Enrichment



The Loquitur Series

Offering **Academic** support as well **Enrichment** activities will enable our children to live out our Motto, with the English translation being Heart (**Academic**) speaks to Heart (**Enrichment**).

Additionally, each Saturday will also have a speaker - be that Mr De Silva or a special guest. These sessions will be known as **The Loquitur Series** and will include parents, guardians, staff and external speakers. We are currently in the process of finalising our guest speaker list, and would welcome any input from members of our school family.

Planned Speakers include:

A Fashion Buyer, Professional Rugby Player, Eton College Organist and a Cathedral Director of Music

The **Loquitur Series** will provide an insight into professional fields, inspiring personalities and enable children to realise the impact of hard work and dedication. We want our children to be inspired and to dream, so that they can develop their character and be best informed for their future learning.

"Education is a higher word; it implies an action upon our mental nature, and the formation of a character; it is something individual and permanent." Saint John Henry Newman



The Newman Programme

COR AD COR LOQUITUR

Michaelmas Term 2023

The Newman Programme will run on the following dates:

16th and 23rd September
7th and 14th October
11th and 18th November and
9th December

Please click on the link <https://forms.gle/RooanysF5qUbGqaG7> to register. A reply by 5.00pm on Wednesday 13th September 2023 would be appreciated.

Please ensure that you choose two different activities across the two modules. In a change from previous years, the activity choices will be for the entire term thus giving a longer period for the pupils to fulfil projects and widen the amount of opportunity to all.

9.00am - 9.40am: Study Session (optional)
9.45am - 10.25am: The Loquitur Series
10.30am - 11.30am: Module 1
11.30am - 11.45am: Break
11.45am - 12.45pm: Module 2

Pick up from the Red Gates is 12.45pm. If your child is involved in an afternoon sports fixture, they will have lunch and then take part in their fixture.

If your child is unable to attend The Newman Programme for any reason, please ensure you contact the school so we are aware of the absence.



The Newman Programme

COR AD COR LOQUITUR

Michaelmas Term 2023

Module 1 Options: 10.30am - 11.30am

Module 2 Options: 11.45am - 12.45pm



Academic

Maths Support and Stretch, English Support, Online Testing

Maths Support and Stretch:

During each of the hour-long sessions, specific and structured support will be given in many of the key concepts across the curriculum. Time will also be given to aid any areas each pupil feels they require more assistance in to develop both confidence and accuracy. In addition and if appropriate, Year 5 and 6 pupils will be preparing for the Primary Maths Challenge.

English Support:

Each session will last one hour with specific and structured support given to a variety of key concepts across the curriculum. Time will also be given to aid any areas each pupil feels they require more assistance in to develop both confidence and accuracy.

Online Testing:

We will be practising online questions and learning techniques to ensure that you have a good understanding of similar questions which may come up in Future School tests. Bring your own device, fully charged, with headphones and mouse (if you have one).



The Newman Programme

COR AD COR LOQUITUR

Michaelmas Term 2023

Module 1 Options: 10.30am - 11.30am

Module 2 Options: 11.45am - 12.45pm



Enrichment

Frisbee Golf, Multi-Sports, Podcast Club, Artistic Hour, Calligraphy and Mindfulness, Quiz Club, War Hammer, Charity Crafts, Yoga

Frisbee Golf:

Frisbee Golf is a sport that is extremely popular around the world. It is played much like golf but instead of a ball and clubs, players use a frisbee. The object is to complete each 'hole' in as few a number of throws as possible. This is your chance to design and create our very own frisbee golf course as well as having the chance to play!

Multi-Sports:

Throughout this term, pupils will have the opportunity to take part in a number of different sporting activities. Each will focus on developing skill development including spatial awareness, coordination, teamwork and communication.

Podcast Club:

Have the chance to make your very own podcasts on any subject you choose. Develop the script, research the topic, record and possibly upload to the school website, the possibilities are endless. All you need is your Chromebook and away you go.

Artistic Hour:

For all those who are interested in developing their artistic prowess, this is your chance to try your hand at a huge range of different styles from batique to fabric painting, figure drawing to cartooning, or ceramic work to lino printing.



The Newman Programme

COR AD COR LOQUITUR

Michaelmas Term 2023



Enrichment

Calligraphy and Mindfulness:

Calligraphy is a visual art related to writing. It is the design and execution of lettering with ink brushes or broad tipped pens. This activity will allow the pupils to form beautiful symbols by hand and arrange them in a classic, well presented manner. Mindfulness will allow you to switch off extraneous thoughts and focus on the moment. This process is similar to meditation, we let go of any thoughts about tomorrow or yesterday, or what we are going to do when we finish. Mindfulness can improve our overall sense of well-being.

Quiz Club:

It is time to test your general knowledge in a variety of quiz style activities. Battle it out against your friends or set your own questions to baffle the group.

War Hammer:

Warhammer is a tabletop miniature fantasy strategy game enjoyed by thousands around the world. Be in charge of your own forces as they battle for supremacy. I know many of you out there are already fans so now is your chance to battle against your friends.

Charity Crafts:

This module will allow us to develop our creative talents for a good cause! Over the course of the term, we will make a range of items to sell to raise money for a charity chosen by the group. All you need is some community spirit and an interest in craft.

Yoga:

The benefits of Yoga are well documented and this is your chance to develop self-control, improve focus and attention, build strength and flexibility, as well as reduce stress and anxiety. What a perfect way to spend an hour on Saturday morning!