



SANDWELL COLLEGE

Central Saint Michael's Sixth Form

cadbury sixth form college

STUDENT NEWSLETTER MARCH 2026



SHARING THE LOVE ACROSS THE CAMPUSES - VALENTINES DAY RECAP



The Student Union at Sandwell Colleges brought Valentine's Day to life this year with a series of creative and engaging activities across all three campuses: Central Campus, Central Saint Michael's, and Cadbury College. The aim was to spread positivity, connection, and a bit of fun during a busy term – and students responded with real enthusiasm.



Across the campuses, students could purchase roses for friends, partners, or staff, which quickly became one of the most popular parts of the celebration. Alongside this, the SU hosted a range of hands-on activity stalls, including card-writing and candle-making, giving students the chance to create personalised gifts and take a moment to unwind. These interactive stations encouraged students to get involved, try something new, and share the Valentine's spirit with their peers.



VALENTINES DAY RAFFLE

A special highlight of the Valentines event was the raffle for a chocolate hamper, which drew a lot of excitement and participation. Students enjoyed the friendly competition and the chance to win something sweet, adding an extra layer of fun to the day.



The turnout across all campuses was impressive, with students showing genuine appreciation for the effort put into the event. Whether at Central Campus, Central Saint Michael's, or Cadbury College, the atmosphere was lively, warm, and full of community spirit. The Student Union's Valentine's activities not only brightened the day but also strengthened the sense of belonging across the college community.

Congratulations to our winners Paige Robinson & Bhervinder Singh!



LGBTQ+ HISTORY MONTH AT SANDWELL COLLEGES



LGBTQ+ History Month was celebrated across Sandwell College with a full programme of activities led by the Student Union, bringing students together to recognise identity, celebrate diversity, and promote inclusion across all campuses. The month created opportunities for students to connect, learn and share their experiences in a supportive and welcoming environment.

Students at Central Saint Michael's kicked off the celebrations with a colourful bake sale, offering homemade treats whilst raising awareness and support for future LGBTQ+ initiatives. Over at Sandwell College, the SU hosted an LGBTea meet-up — a relaxed space where students could enjoy a drink, chat openly, and share positive experiences from their time at college. These events helped students build friendships, discuss ideas, and contribute to shaping future LGBTQ+ activities.



The biggest highlight of the month was the **West Midlands Colleges LGBTQ+ Conference**, hosted at Cadbury College. Students and staff from colleges across the region came together for a day of workshops, discussions, and shared learning. The conference created a strong sense of unity and gave young people a platform to explore identity, celebrate community, and collaborate on ways to make college environments even more inclusive.

Across all campuses, students showed real enthusiasm and appreciation for the events. The strong turnout and positive energy throughout the month reflected the commitment of both the Student Union and the wider college community to creating a space where everyone feels valued and supported.





RAMADAN AT SANDWELL COLLEGES

This month, the Student Union has been supporting our Muslim learners as they observe Ramadan, a significant period of fasting, reflection, and community. To help students break their fast at sunset, the SU has set up tables with dates and water across all campuses, offering a simple but meaningful gesture of care and solidarity. Celebrating faith events like Ramadan is an important part of building an inclusive college environment, where every student feels seen, respected, and supported. These moments give learners the chance to share their experiences, educate others, and strengthen understanding across the college community. By recognising and celebrating different faiths and cultures, Sandwell College continues to promote a campus where diversity is valued and everyone belongs.



CENTRAL SAINT MICHAEL'S FUNDRAISER DAY



The Student Union came together to support Central Saint Michael's student Katie Robinson in her quest to raise money for the **Grace Kelly Childhood Cancer Trust**. The trust has supported Katie and her family through their time of need, helping her younger cousin through her cancer treatment. Students and staff spread awareness by wearing orange and purple, with the union setting up a donation table with information, activities and goodies to share. An amazing £198.39 has been raised for the cause showing the good we can do when the community comes together for a fantastic cause.





COMING UP THIS MONTH



Sandwell College will be celebrating **International Women's Day** this March, with the Student Union hosting a range of activities to recognise the amazing contributions women make to our college and to society every day.

These activities aim to celebrate inspiring women, empower students, promote understanding, and create a supportive environment where everyone feels valued. Students who would like to get involved in helping with the events or sharing ideas are encouraged to contact the Student Union.

International WOMENS Day

Celebrate with the Student Union and local charities, featuring a photo booth, certificate nominations, crafts & more!



Monday 9th March
11am - 2pm
Sandwell Campus Atrium



International WOMENS Day

Celebrate and empower women with the Student Union, featuring bracelet making, chocolates and words of affirmation



Monday 9th March
11:30am - 1pm
Central Saint Michael's Cafe



NEURODIVERSITY CELEBRATION

Sandwell College will be marking Neurodiversity Celebration Week with a programme of activities designed to raise awareness, spark conversation, and celebrate the strengths of neurodiverse students and staff. The week is an opportunity for the whole college community to learn more about different ways people think, learn, and experience the world, while also promoting inclusion and understanding across the campuses.



SANDWELL FAMILY OF COLLEGES

PRESENTS

TALENT SHOW!

**TOP PERFORMERS WILL BE SELECTED TO
PERFORM AT ONE WORLD EVENT
JUNE 2026**

COMING SOON

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