

# Our Lady's Catholic High School



A National Teaching School

Friday, 16 March 2018

# Our Prayer theme next week is Judgement

We never seem to have the same excitement about Easter as we do about Christmas. Maybe because the preparation is about giving things up, praying and being charitable (even though these things are good for us and for others). Have we got to a stage where we see these things as a chore despite the obvious benefits of them? When we read in the Gospel that "sentence is being passed on this world" (because we are not following Christ's way), is this something that bothers us at all? Do



we wonder what that judgement will be? What we do know is that by observing the promises of Lent (pray, fast, give) we will be judged favourably by God because that is what He calls us to do: to rid ourselves of our sinful ways and to serve Him by serving others. Have we become more interested in the taking than the giving? If so, we've missed the point of Easter **and** Christmas.

Lord, may you judge me to be a decent person; a person of faith and honour; a person who serves others in the hope of pleasing you. As I continue my Lenten journey may I have the strength to continue my promises, or the courage to begin again. Amen.

#### **36KM RUNNING CHALLENGE FOR CAFOD UPDATE**

Last week 9A hosted a bake sale to start the fundraising for our Disney Challenge in aid of CAFOD. The final total raised was £71.49! An excellent start to our fundraising campaign. Thank you to all who baked, donated and bought cakes. In the upcoming weeks we will be selling Easter eggs as well as setting up sweet stalls to continue to raise funds. We are also organising a school team for the Great Manchester run in May. Thank you to those who have donated to our JustGiving page <a href="https://www.justgiving.com/fundraising/olchsdisneychallenge">https://www.justgiving.com/fundraising/olchsdisneychallenge</a>. Mrs Sewell and Mrs Armitage

## **MARAFIKI GARDENING CLUB**

Before Christmas the Marafiki gardening club built a number of bird boxes which have now been placed around the school grounds. We raised money to purchase a bird box webcam. There has been little movement within the box (due to the weather) but we have had some footage <a href="https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=hzhgdkEScP8">https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=hzhgdkEScP8</a> This will be updated regularly when we have occupants. Also a thank you to Barton Grange Garden Centre for their donation to the Marafiki garden. The money will be spent on seeds for vegetables to grow later in the year in which pupils will continue to learn how to sow the seeds and understand what makes a sustainable garden. We are always looking of ways to improve our garden area and if you would like to donate any tools or seeds this would be appreciated.

## **CLIMBING NEWS**

A group of Year 9 pupils took part in the Preston Schools' Climbing Competition on Thursday. They performed well with John Dickinson winning the boys competition overall. The other members of the team were Max Botes, Harry Wignall, Molly Macuras, Abi Wright and Emily Mayson.

# **NETBALL NEWS**

Year 7 and 8 made a great start to the Netball league. Year 7 had a convincing win against Moor Park 11-0 then had a closely fought game against Broughton. Luckily they came out victorious winning 5-4. Year 8's beat St Cecilia's 2-1 but just lost out to Fulwood 6-0. Well done to both teams.

#### **NHS CAREERS EVENT**

There will be an NHS Careers Event on Friday, 20 April at The Health Academy Centre 1,Royal Preston Hospital, Sharoe Green Lane, Preston, PR2 9HT from 3pm-7pm. On the day there will be information on apprenticeships, NHS careers, University paths and much more. There will be interactive stands to explore from a wide range of departments. Free car parking is available for all attendees on Car Park N. For more information please contact Brittany.mollart@lthtr.nhs.uk

#### **PAID STEM INTERNSHIP**

In conjunction with the Department of Education the CTA is offering a paid internship for any 2<sup>nd</sup> year. For more information please contact <a href="mailto:cta@olchs.lancs.sch.uk">cta@olchs.lancs.sch.uk</a>. This is a paid programme which offers a sustained introduction to teaching experience over a 4 week period, with 4 information/training days, opportunities for shadowing, blended with personal support activities. Completion of the internship will guarantee you an interview onto an ITT programme next year. <a href="https://www.catholic-teaching-alliance.org/paid-stem-internships.html">https://www.catholic-teaching-alliance.org/paid-stem-internships.html</a>

# THE JOB ZONE AT PRESTON'S COLLEGE

You can learn more about Apprenticeships by contacting The Job Zone - a specialist recruitment service operated by Preston's College, designed to match the right Apprentice to the right employer. The Job Zone will talk you through the Apprenticeship application process and has access to numerous vacancies in the local area. To get in contact with The Job Zone, please call 01772-225222 or email <a href="mailto:thejobzone@preston.ac.uk">thejobzone@preston.ac.uk</a>. They are open all year round.

#### **YEAR 11 REVISION TIMETABLE**

	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
Before	GCSE PE Ms     Lewis	History-     Mrs     Armitage		GCSE PE Mr Hewitt     English breakfast     booster	<ul> <li>Sociology Mrs Armitage</li> </ul>
Lunch	<ul> <li>Textiles Ms     Armellino</li> <li>Art (running     from 22/1/18 -     24/4/18)</li> </ul>	•	<ul> <li>Chemistry Trilogy -         Mrs McArdle</li> <li>Textiles Ms         Armellino</li> <li>Art (from 22/1/18         -24/4/18)</li> <li>Sociology Mrs         Armitage</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Textiles Mrs Armellino</li> <li>Art (running from 22/1/18 until 24/4/18)</li> <li>Biology Trilogy Mr Simcoe</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Textiles         Ms         Armellino</li> <li>Art         (22/1/18 -         24/4/18)</li> </ul>
After	<ul> <li>Art (running from 22/1/18 until 24/4/18)</li> <li>English- Ms Maple</li> <li>11B1Spanish Room 46 Mrs Arden</li> <li>Foundation French Rm 45-Mrs Howard</li> <li>Higher French Rm 42 Mrs O'Beirne</li> <li>English -11Y2B</li> <li>Computer Science Mrs Sewell</li> <li>BTEC Health and social care, Mrs Murray, Rm 37</li> </ul>	Art     (22/1/18 -     24/4/18      Week b     only)      English     Revision     workshop     Rm 10- Mr     Garlington	<ul> <li>English -Ms Maple</li> <li>Science Trilogy         Chem/Phys Ms         Saunders until         March)</li> <li>ICT -Mrs Sewell</li> <li>Maths:</li> <li>11y2A - Mr         Thompson</li> <li>11y2B - Mr Hankin</li> <li>11x1b - Mrs         Buyers</li> <li>11x1E - Mrs         Bagley</li> <li>RE Rm 24</li> <li>BTEC Health and social care, Mrs         Murray, Rm37</li> <li>Biology separate science- Mr         Robinson Rm 37</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Textiles Ms Armellino</li> <li>Physics Trilogy Ms Holmes</li> <li>Trilogy Biology &amp; Some Chem) Mrs Roberts Rm 15</li> <li>Separate Chemistry Mrs McArdle</li> <li>History- Mrs Finnerty</li> <li>Sociology-Mrs Armitage</li> <li>English -11X1E</li> <li>PE Mr Hewitt</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>English         Ms Maple</li> <li>Physics         Mr Taylor</li> <li>Mr         Ranson-         separate         Physics</li> </ul>

#### Dates to remember

Thursday, 29 March – School closes for Easter holidays – 12.45 pm

Tuesday, 20 March - Year 9 Options Evening – 5.00 pm

Monday, 16 April – School opens

Tuesday, 1 May – Year 7 Normandy Trip

Monday, 7 May – School closed for May Day

Friday, 25 May – School closes for half-term at 3.30 pm

Monday, 4 June – School opens

Friday, 20 July – School closes for the end of term