

Our Lady's Catholic High School



Friday, 17 June 2022

The theme for next week is the Holy Trinity (John 16: 12 – 15)

The Trinity reminds us of God's love. He sent his Son to die for us and he gave us his Spirit. This remains with us always. The promise of Jesus in the Gospel is that he will share the love between himself and the Father with everyone. That God will live with us through the Spirit. We believe that this Spirit is alive in us. The Spirit of God within us experiences all our sadness and our joy. We can rejoice that God chooses to dwell in us, to walk with us and to be our guiding light.

Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit.

As it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be, world without end. Amen.

SPELLING BEE

Our Spelling Bee Final 2022 took place on Friday, 10 June for all Y7 and Y8 pupils. The event was a huge success, and the pupils had a wonderful time cheering on their classmates. Fourteen pupils from each year group made it through to the finals to compete for the title of Spelling Bee Champion 2022. The finalists endured four gruelling rounds of extremely challenging spellings and we eventually found our winners.

Y7 Spelling Bee Champion - Charlotte Potts Y7 Runners-up - Betsy Lee, Liam Battle and Sam Dean

Y8 Spelling Bee Champion - Isabelle Potts

Y8 Runners-up – Henry Monks and Liam Mcknight

A huge congratulations to our two winners

CRUCIFIX COMPETITION

Pupils in all Year 7 RE classes have been busy planning and creating crucifixes for a competition run by Cardinal Newman College in Preston. Pupils had to design and make a crucifix using their imagination and creative skills. Pupils were allowed to use any medium they chose and some of the entries have been incredibly inventive! RE teachers were really impressed with the effort that had gone into them. All pupils who entered received a green writing and three pupils from each class were awarded first, second and third prizes of chocolate and BOOO points. Carol from CNC came to Our Lady's to see all the crucifixes and took a lot back to college to be judged. Fingers crossed the results award some Our Lady's entries!

APPRENTICESHIP OPPORTUNITY

Please see below details of an apprentice post available at St Mary and St Michael's Catholic Primary School, Garstang. This would be a very good opportunity for those who are interested in PE teaching in the future or coaching.

<u>Physical Activity & Sport Apprentice - Find an apprenticeship</u> Have you considered a career in physical activity, PE or/and sport or working with children aged 4-11 year olds? St Mary & St Michael's Catholic Primary school, Castle Lane, Garstang, Preston, PR3 1RB is currently appointing for a Physical Activity Apprentice www.findapprenticeship.service.gov.uk

YEAR 11 LEAVERS - UNIFORM

Please could parents donate any good quality uniform, especially trousers for both girls and boys. We would also encourage parents to hand in any good quality PE uniform. Any items can be brought into reception and placed in the uniform box. Thank you for your support especially in the current climate when some families are struggling to survive financially.

FOOTBALL NEWS - U13 GIRLS

On Tuesday evening Mrs Lin was invited to watch the U13 Girls Preston Schools' football team who had reached the cup final against Blackburn at Darwen FC. We have 5 girls who have successfully made the team and play in this very talented team. They include Evie Mitchell, Holly Wilson, Heidi Clark, Lexie Eastham and Gracie Burns. From the whistle it was a very competitive game with both teams having shots on goal. With Evie Mitchell in goal, nothing was going in despite Blackburn's best efforts. At half time it was 0-0. In the second half Preston really pushed and created some wonderful opportunities up front which resulted in a goal. Blackburn came back fighting and scored only a couple of mins later. The game was then very tight, and Mrs Lin was thinking it was going to finish with penalties but then in the last few minutes, with a scramble at the goal mouth, Heidi Clarke managed to tuck the ball past the keeper. Final score 2-1 to Preston. It was a wonderful game with a fantastic crowd turnout. Huge well done to all players.

ROUNDERS NEWS

The Year 9 and 10 Rounders team were in action on Wednesday, 15 June taking part in the Preston Schools' Rounders Tournament. Both teams have been working hard during extra-curricular PE and were looking forward to putting their training into practice. Year 9 started strong, winning their first two opening matches comfortably. We batted well and fielding was tight making it hard for our opponents to score. The team then came up against a tactical Longridge side. However, we managed to keep our cool under pressure and won by just half a rounder. The girls managed to win 4 out of their 6 matches, losing only to Broughton and Archbishop resulting in them finishing a very respectable third overall.

Year 10 had some tough matches. Batting and fielding were good but a little inconsistent on occasions. The girls showed great resilience and did not let their heads drop, battling hard in some very closely contested games. Unfortunately, luck was not with us, and we finished third out of four. However, the team learned a lot from the tournament and know which areas they need to focus on improving for future matches

Dates to remember Monday, 4 July – Year 8 and 9 pupils remain at home Thursday, 21 July – School closes for the Summer Holidays at 12.45 pm Friday, 2 September – School opens for Year 7 and 11 only Monday, 5 September – School opens for all pupils Friday, 7 October – INSET day school closed for all pupils Friday, 21 October – school closes for half-term at 3.30 pm Monday, 31 October – school opens