

Our Lady's Catholic High School



A National Teaching School

Friday, 12 January 2018

Our Prayer theme next week is Lamb of God

"There is the Lamb of God" (John 1:35). It is a prayer that we use every time we go to Mass but what does it mean? John the Baptist is recognising that Jesus is going to sacrifice himself for others and is pointing this out to others who don't recognise Him. Once we do recognise Him as the Lamb of God, Jesus invites us to come with Him - the call to vocation which, in itself, requires sacrifice and doing good for others. Can we recognise the Lamb of God in our lives? Can we follow Him and live our lives in the service of others?



Lord, you are the Lamb of God, who takes away the sins of the world. Help me to come and see where you live and, in turn, guide others to do the same. Amen.

INTERNET SAFETY

Are you worried about your child's use of the internet? Struggling to keep up with all the changes in the virtual world? With the advancement of the digital world and the ever-increasing use of social media platforms, the job of guiding our children and keeping them safe becomes more challenging. To help parents/carers tackle this challenge we would like to invite you to an information evening at Our Lady's Catholic High School. During the session we will give you information on how to secure the different social media platforms, issues to be aware of and what the law says in respect of their use. You will also be able to ask questions on areas of online security you may be unsure of. The session will be run by Mr Diggles, Director of IT Systems and Mr Fitzpatrick, Deputy Headteacher and will take place in the Arts' Theatre at 4.30pm on Wednesday, 31 January. If you wish to attend, please register your interest by emailing Mr Diggles at gdi@olchs.lancs.sch.uk.

THE STREET

You may know that the drama department has recently been working on our very first devised performance. With the help of over 100 students we have created 'The Street', a show based around two siblings who couldn't be further apart until the BEAT of the STREET brings the rival gangs together to create a STOMP PERFORMANCE. The show dates are 18 and 19 January at 7.00pm and tickets are available from the finance office priced £3.00.

DANCE DIVA

Our annual Dance Diva takes place on Wednesday, 7 February 2018 at the Charter theatre. As usual all Year 7 and 8 together with a selection of Year 9,10 and 11 pupils will be performing. Details will appear in the Guild Hall booklet. Tickets are priced at £7.50 for adults and £4.50 for children and are available from the Guild Hall Box Office or online at https://prestonguildhall.co.uk

LOST PROPERTY

We have a large quantity of lost property at the moment, including PE kits, winter coats and shoes. These items have been left unclaimed in the lost property room for a number of weeks. On Friday, 26 January from 1.00 pm onwards, lost property will be on display in the Arts Theatre for pupils to look through. Parents may wish to come and look for missing items also. We ask that they come to school between 2.30 pm and 3.30 pm. Any items not claimed after this day will be disposed of by Friday, 2 February.

FULWOOD LIBRARY

We have been asked to advertise the re-opening of Fulwood Library and to let you know that pupils and parents are most welcome. The opening hours are: Monday, Thursday and Friday -9 am -5 pm, Tuesday -9 am -1 pm, Wednesday -9 am -7 pm.

PARENT AND CARER SUPPORT: LEARNING MORE ABOUT AUTISM

There will be a free event which aims to develop the understanding of ASD and how parents can manage, support and encourage their child. The event will be held at Westmorland School, Weldbank Lane, Chorley, PR7 3NQ on Saturday, 10 March from 9.30 am until 4.00 pm, with lunch and refreshments provided. For more information please contact Clare or Rukiya on 015395 66081 or email events@witherslackgroup.co.uk

APPRENTICESHIP EVENT

BAE Systems will be holding their next Apprentice Careers Event at Preston North End on Monday, 22 January 2018 (Invincible and Guild Lounge) from 4:30 pm till 6:30 pm. This event will be a showcase by current apprentices showing the wide range of opportunities that BAE Systems has to offer, ranging from advanced through to degree apprentices and it is open for all to attend. The apprenticeship application window is open from 1 November 2017 until 28 February 2018 and further details are available at www.baesystems.com/en/careers/careers-in-the-uk/apprenticeships

ST BERNARD'S CATHOLIC PRIMARY SCHOOL – FASHION SHOW

Fashion Show and Pop up Show at Lea Social Club, 872 Blackpool Road, Lea from 7.00 pm on Friday 23 March. Clothing is available to try on and buy and is ex-high street fashion at 50% off or more with brands including M&S, Wallis, New Look, Oasis, Topshop and Next. Tickets are £5 in advance or £6 on the night and there will be a charity raffle. For tickets and more information please contact Mrs Mac at St Bernard's – 01772 728153 or bursar@st-bernards.lancs.sch.uk

Dates to remember

Thursday, 25 January - Year 8 Parent/Carers' evening from 4.00 pm - 6.30 pm

Friday, 9 February – School closes for half-term

Monday, 19 February – INSET day

Tuesday, 20 February – School opens

Thursday, 1 March - Year 9 Parent/Carers' evening from 4.00 pm - 6.30 pm

Thursday, 15 March - Year 7 Parent/Carers' evening from 4.00 pm - 6.30 pm

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

Monday, 16 April – School opens