

Our Lady's Catholic High School



A National Teaching School

Friday, 21 September 2018

Name	Form

Our Prayer theme next week is **Humility**

In this week's Gospel, Jesus' disciples are arguing over who is the greatest disciple. When He asks them what they are arguing about they deny it because they're ashamed. He had overheard them though and tells them 'anyone who wants to be first, he must make himself last of all and servant of all.' Jesus is telling us, in order to be number one, and great, we must serve everyone else.

Lord, help us to be humble, help us to serve others before we serve ourselves. Teach us how to look after people, especially those most in need. Amen.

OPEN EVENING

Our Annual Open Evening takes place on Thursday, 4 October from 6.00 pm until 8.30 pm. To allow staff and pupils to prepare for the event, school will close at 12.45 pm on that day, as is our practice.

YOUNG ENTERPRISE TEAM – 2018-2019

The Our Lady's Young Enterprise Team has begun trading for this year and their first big event is Open Evening on Thursday, 4 October. Personalitree is a personalised frame business with an item for all occasions. This can be a gift for a loved one's birthday or decoration for around the house. Every piece can be customized and will be unique. Prices start at £6.50, if interested please come along and see the Team in action in Room 33.



19 STEPS/HOME FOR LUNCH

If pupils wish to travel to and from school via the footpath up the 19 steps please would parents send a written note to Mrs McArdle requesting permission. She will then issue a pass to allow access via this route. Also if you wish your son/daughter to return to your home or a relative's house each day for lunch again please confirm in writing to Mrs McArdle who will issue a pass.

36KM DISNEYLAND CHALLENGE WEEKEND FOR CAFOD UPDATE

The challenge weekend has come for Mrs Armitage and Mrs Sewell to take on their 36km challenge through Disneyland Paris. Before last year both teachers did very little running prior to taking on the challenge but they have been training hard to take on the 36km challenge (22.4 miles). They will be running 5km Friday night when they arrive in Disneyland Paris, 10km on Saturday morning and a half-marathon on Sunday morning - all in Disney themed costumes (just to add on a little more of a challenge!) They are running to support the excellent work that CAFOD do and to promote the positive impact that running can have on mental health and wellbeing. If you'd like to sponsor them, you can do so online:

https://www.justgiving.com/fundraising/olchsdisneychallenge

Thank you to those who have supported so far with the various fundraising activities and those who have donated to the JustGiving page. More fundraising will continue on our return. Mrs Sewell and Mrs Armitage

COMPUTER SCIENCE CHANGES

The Computer Science department have introduced a new paperless system to deliver their curriculum this year. All pupils throughout KS3 and KS4 now have a school Google account that they can use to access their work in school and from home. The Google account equips pupils with their very own cloud storage, access to their classroom and software which can be used on most devices. To supplement this, pupils' homework will be accessed through an online system called Socrative (https://www.socrative.com/) As with all new developments there will be a bedding-in period. If there are any issues please contact Mrs Sewell (kse@olchs.lancs.sch.uk) or Mr Bell (jobe@olchs.lancs.sch.uk)

LABELLING SCHOOL UNIFORM

In the short time we have been back at school we already have an extremely large amount of lost property, much of which cannot be returned to pupils as it is not named. Please ensure that all school uniform is labelled with your child's name and form group, this will ensure that lost items can be easily identified and returned directly to pupils.

VACANCIES

We currently have a vacancy for the position of cleaner. The hours are 12 per week, term time only either mornings Monday to Thursday 6.00 am until 8.30 am and Friday 6.00 am until 8.00 am or afternoons Monday to Thursday 3.30 pm until 6.00 pm and Friday 3.30 pm until 5.30 pm. More details and an application pack are available on the website. Closing Date for all applications is Wednesday, 10 October at 12 noon.

COLLEGE OPEN EVENTS

Year 11 pupils should be aware of the following recruitment days:

Cardinal Newman College

Saturday 13 October 10-1pm Saturday 17 November 10-1pm Saturday 2 February 10-1pm

Preston's College

Tuesday 16 October 4-7.30pm Wednesday 6 February 4-730pm Thursday 2 May 4-7.30pm

Runshaw College

Saturday 22 September 11-3pm Thursday 11 October 4-8pm Tuesday 20 November 4-8pm Wednesday 27 February 4-8pm

Myerscough College

Saturday 6 October 2018 - 9.45am and 12.30pm Saturday 10 November 2018 - 9.45am and 12.30pm Saturday 8 December 2018 - 9.45am and 12.30pm Saturday 9 February 2019 - 9.45am and 12.30pm Saturday 30 March 2019 - 9.45am and 12.30pm

Dates to remember

Wednesday, 26 September - Year 7 Welcome Mass

Friday, 28 September - Macmillan Coffee Morning

Thursday, 4 October – Open Evening

Friday, 5 October – INSET day, pupils at home

Wednesday 10 October - Open Day tour of school

Thursday, 11 October - Open Day tour of school

Thursday, 11 October – Year 7 Information Evening

Friday, 19 October - School closes for half-term at 3.30 pm

Monday, 29 October – school opens