

Our Lady's Catholic High School



A National Teaching School

Friday, 12 October 2018

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Our Prayer theme next week is Vocation

In this week's Gospel, Jesus is asked by a man how he can reach the kingdom of Heaven. At first Jesus tells him to follow the commandments, but the man already does this, but doesn't feel fulfilled. So Jesus tells him to give up everything he owns, but the man is disappointed because he is very rich. Jesus is telling us that there is nothing more important than following him. Our vocation is where we find our true fulfilment and true happiness.

Lord, thank you for our vocation. We ask that you help guide us on our vocation journey and help us find our true fulfilment and true happiness. We pray for vocations in the church, the vocation of marriage, priesthood and religious life.

Amen.

ROAD CLOSURE

We have been made aware that work will take place on Black Bull Lane, Fulwood, from 8am on Sunday 14 October through to 6pm on Tuesday 30 October and the road will be closed for a half-a-mile stretch. The closure is needed to carry out resurfacing work to the road from Conway Drive to Garstang Road. Traffic will be diverted via Plungington Road, Lytham Road and then the A6 Garstang Road. The road will remain open to pedestrians during this period. Please allow extra travel time if this is your normal route to Our Lady's.

CHEESE AND WINE EVENING

The first OLCHS Cheese & Wine Evening will take place on Friday, 16 November 2018 at 7pm in the Arts' Theatre, for over 18s only. Tickets cost £10 each and will be on sale from Monday next week. Numbers are strictly limited, so tickets will be sold on a first come first served basis so don't delay! Please contact Mrs Gavell (lga@olchs.lancs.sch.uk) or Mrs Bilsborrow (pbi@olchs.lancs.sch.uk) to buy yours. The format of the evening is very relaxed and informal and our host is Mick Gould, who some parents will already know from other cheese & wine events at primary school. Mick has been in the wine business for many years and is currently based at Huntley's Farm Shop in Samlesbury. He will bring many different wines and cheeses for you to try as well as provide information about where the wines are from and which foods they complement best. Why not get a group of friends together and come along for a cosy autumn evening?

WELLBEING AWARENESS WEEK

Next week is our first full Wellbeing Awareness Week of the year and all pupils will look at The 5 Ways to Wellbeing during form time. The 5 Ways to Wellbeing are; Take notice, Be active, Connect, Give and Keep learning. This will be a focus for the whole school and an approach for us all to use for both staff and pupils.

HARVEST APPEAL – SALVATION ARMY

Thanks to everyone who has contributed to our Harvest Appeal so far. The appeal will run until next Thursday, 18 October. All tinned foods and toiletries will be gratefully received.

NORMANDY YEAR 7

Just a reminder that the deadline for the Normandy Trip reply slips and deposit is Monday, 15 October. Extra letters and relevant forms are available on the website in the parents' section.

NETBALL NEWS

The Year 9, 10a and 10b teams had a successful afternoon participating in the Preston Schools' league on Wednesday, 3 October. Year 9 won two out of their three matches beating Christ the King and Moor Park by 7 goals to 1. Year 10 a had a very tough game against Longridge. However, they did not let that affect the rest of their matches as they went on to beat Corpus Christi 10-0 and Christ the King 8-4. Finally, Year 10 b won both their matches 2-0 against Corpus and 4-1 against Christ the King.

GIRLS' FOOTBALL NEWS

On Monday, 8 October the U14 girls football team travelled to Archbishop Temple in the first round of the English Schools' Cup. We have a very young team with only 3 Year 9 players and the rest Year 8. The game started well and was fairly evenly matched but the home side took the lead with three very quick goals. OLCHS rose to the challenge and managed to score from a fantastic cross from Ellie Sumner. The second half was much tighter but the strength in their defence was just too much for us. Final score was 5-1. Players' player went to Kelsey Corcoran and Managers' Player of the game went to Olivia Gregson. We go again in the Lancashire cup very soon.

FOOTBALL NEWS

The **Year 8** football team were made to work incredibly hard in their most recent victory against Our Lady Queen of Peace from Skelmersdale. The victory came on Monday, 8 October and allows the team to progress to the second round of the Lancashire Schools competition. Our opponents took an early 2-0 lead as we began slowly and couldn't get to grips with the speed of some of their players. Dominic Richmond helped to steady the nerves by netting a cool finish from inside the box. Our opposition then extended their lead to 3-1 which took the wind out of our sails a little, but we were not finished there. Successive goals from distance from Jack Dickinson, Ethan Fox and Jack Rainford sealed a fine victory with the score ending 4-3.

The Year 10 football team travelled to Pleckgate High School on Monday, October 8th. The team started very slowly which was disappointing. They conceded two early goals to find themselves 2-0 down after ten minutes. However, the second goal really spurred them on. They played some great football for the remainder of the first half and managed to score two goals to make it 2-2 at half time. The second half was dominated by Our Lady's who really put the hosts under pressure whenever they were in possession. With the ball, the wide players really stretched the pitch and used the space effectively which created more gaps in the middle of the pitch for the midfield to exploit with some acute and clever passes. Our Lady's scored four goals in the second half. Harvey Moulding-Lee and Declan Geoghegan demonstrated great finishing ability after some great link up play with Harry Wignall, Rocco Williams and Aaron Hewitt. Well done to all the players involved!

CROSS COUNTRY SUCCESS

On Wednesday, 10 October, 35 Our Lady's students ran in the District Cross Country competition held at St Cecilia's Catholic High School. It was a fantastic night which was rather unusual for the time of year the event takes place. All students ran with courage and determination and they also cheered their older/younger peers on from the side. We are very proud of all the runners who took part. Congratulations to the following runners who managed to place inside the top 10 in their age/gender category. They will now have the opportunity to progress and represent Preston in a County competition which is a fantastic honour and achievement.

<u>Year 7 boys</u> - Leighton Hewitt - 4th; <u>Year 8/9 boys</u> - Ummar-Ali Mal - 7th, Jake Alker -10th; <u>Year 8/9 girls</u> - Anna Thompson - 2nd; <u>Year 10/11 girls</u> - Annie Duffy - 1st, Grace McGarvey - 3rd and Emily Mayson - 4th; <u>Year 10/11 boys</u> - Tom Durney - 1st, David Alker - 6th and Martin O'Grady - 10th

JUDAISM WITH JEREMY

On Tuesday, 9 October the RE department welcomed Jeremy Michelson who delivered workshops to all Year 8 RE classes to support their study of Judaism. Jeremy explained the reality of being a Jew in the North-West in 2018. Pupils got to try on Jewish worship clothing and handle several Jewish holy books. Pupils behaved impeccably, listened carefully and asked some very insightful questions. Classes will discuss what they found out in lessons and explore how they can deepen their understanding of Judaism. After school, staff from several Catholic high schools spent time deepening their knowledge of the Jewish faith with Jeremy.

Dates to remember

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

Monday, 29 October – school opens

Thursday, 8 November – Certificate Presentation Evening – 7.00 pm

Friday, 9 November – Certificate Presentation Morning – school closes at 12.45 pm

Friday, 16 November – Cheese and Wine Evening at 7.00 pm

Friday, 21 December – school closes for Christmas at 12.45 pm

CAFOD Advent Service – St Anthony's Church at 6.00 pm

Monday, 7 January 2019 – school opens