



Our Lady's Catholic High School



A National Teaching School

Friday, 27 January 2017

Name Form

Our Prayer theme next week is **The Kingdom of Heaven**

GCSE ART EXAM 2017 (Year 11)

All pupils have been given their GCSE Art exam paper this week. Pupils will be working on preparatory work on their chosen exam theme over the following weeks. Pupils should produce as much of their best quality preparatory work (this consists of drawings, research and photography) as they can in class and at home. They can also download the PixLR autodesk App (free on mobiles/tablets/PC!) to edit photos – this scores lots of marks!

The controlled 10 hour final piece will be completed during school time. The exam project contributes to 40% of the final GCSE mark and will be completed by Easter.

Please encourage your child to work hard at home and make use of the extra sessions offered in school: Mon-Fri lunch. Mon, Wed after school (week A and B) and Tues (week B) after school.

For further information and copies of the exam paper and the OLCHS help sheet are on Moodle (GCSE Art and Design).

Dates for the exam final piece are as follows:

20/03/17 11B and 11C P1-4
23/03/17 11A P1-4

27/03/17 11A P1-4
28/03/17 11B& 11C P1-5

YOUNG ENTERPRISE SUCCESS

Many congratulations to the Young Enterprise Team, Marbelous who won the Best Business Plan in the first round of this year's competition and were rewarded with a £25 credit to their Company. The next stage is a Dragon's Den on 27 February followed by the North West Finals on 3 May. Good luck to the team!

STUDENT SUPPORT CENTRE

Pupils in Years 7-10 should now have brought home information from the Student Support Centre. Please would all parents complete the form and return it to school, whether they would like to use the Student Support Services or not. Last year we received two sets, enough for two classes, of English dictionaries to be used by our pupils.

VACANCY

We currently have a vacancy for a Site Supervisor (2b). The post is Grade 3 £16,191 (pro rata) and for 20 hours per week term time only. Application forms are available from the website www.olchs.lancs.sch.uk and the closing date is Wednesday, 8 February at 12 noon. For enquiries or further information please contact Mr Grundy on 01772 32691 or email fgr@olchs.lancs.sch.uk

CASTLERIGG VOLUNTEERS

Wanted: people to make a difference to others! The team are looking for gap year volunteers to help provide their retreats to schools (like ourselves). If you are 18+ and interested in a gap year then please get in touch with Fr John: Director@castleriggmanor.co.uk for more information. They are looking for people to start immediately and for a September start.

OLIVER

Final rehearsals are underway for our musical theatre show of Oliver on Thursday 2 and Friday 3 February, starting at 7.00pm. Tickets are selling fast so please ask your child for their ticket letter or complete the reply slip at the bottom of this newsletter if you still need to buy tickets.

DANCE DIVA 2017

Preparations and rehearsals are going well. Pupils will be bringing home a letter outlining final arrangements and a costume list before half term. This year the tickets are only available from the Guild Hall Box Office and pupils can order as many as you want. To contact the Box office call 01772-804444 or you can order on line from their website <https://prestonguildhall.co.uk/shows>. Please support your child in what will be a very enjoyable evening.

TECHNICIANS MAKE IT HAPPEN

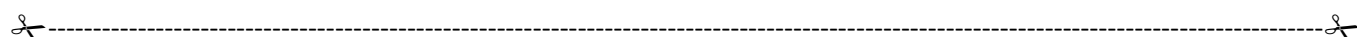
Are you aware that more than 70,000 technicians are needed each year to fill jobs across the UK. But many of these opportunities remain hidden. Technicians Make it Happen, launched by the Gatsby Charitable Foundation, aims to expose thousands of jobs open for technicians in sectors spanning music and film to aerospace and fashion. Over 25 industry leaders are backing the campaign, including the BBC, Microsoft and RAF. To find out more and keep up to date about employment/career opportunities visit www.technicians.org.uk.

CARDINAL NEWMAN COLLEGE

Year 11 pupils should be aware that the closing date for applications for Cardinal Newman College is Friday, 10 February. Pupils wishing to apply for a sixth-form place should return their completed applications in good time.

Dates to remember

- Thursday, 2 February and Friday, 3 February – Musical Theatre Club performance of Oliver
- Wednesday, 8 February – Year 9 Parents’ Evening
- Thursday, 9 February – MFL Paris trip
- Friday, 10 February – School closes for half-term
- Monday, 20 February – INSET day pupils at home
- Tuesday, 21 February – School opens for Spring Term 2
- Wednesday, 22 February – Dance Diva – 7.00 pm at the Charter Theatre
- Monday, 27 February – Year 11 Revision Programme begins
- Thursday, 2 March – Year 7 Parents’ Evening
- Friday, 31 March – School closes for Easter at 12.45 pm



REPLY SLIP. (To be returned to Mrs Crook, Finance Office)

PUPIL’S NAME: _____ FORM: _____

I would like to buy the following tickets for Oliver

Thursday, 2 February	Number of tickets	Friday, 3 February	Number of tickets
Adult - £5		Adult - £5	
Child - £3		Child - £3	

Payment enclosed £.....

Signed: _____

Date: _____