



# Our Lady's Catholic High School



A National Teaching School

Friday, 4 May 2018

Our Prayer theme next week is **Love one another**

Whether we like it or not, we do live our lives by rules. Some are dictated to us (school, workplace, the law of the land, etc), but there are others that we choose ourselves (how we treat others, how we treat ourselves, how we treat God, etc). If we struggle with other parts of the teachings of Jesus then we can all appreciate this important lesson: love one another. The world would be a simpler and a happier place if we all utilised this gift that is inside each one of us. The question is not, "how do I love others?" The question is: "when will I love others?"



**Lord, we pray for the gift of seeing common ground with other people so that we can love them as we are loved by you. In my temptation to bring others down, guide me to a lighter path. Through my words, thoughts and actions, may I be positive so that I can share that joy with others. Amen.**

## SECTION 48 INSPECTION

We are delighted to announce that once again we have been graded Outstanding by the Diocesan Section 48 Inspection. Bishop Michael congratulated us on the continuing hard work to develop the Catholic ethos of the school since the last inspection and that he was delighted to read that the chapel now provides a welcoming, sacred space at the heart of the school community and that the doors are always open! Please see the website for the full report.

## LETTINGS

Our Lady's Catholic High School offers fantastic facilities which are developed and maintained to a very high standard. This includes excellent sporting facilities including a large sports hall, a gym which has been enhanced by the addition of a high performance sports floor and an all-weather pitch. The Governing Body actively encourages community use of our school facilities and if you are interested, or are aware of an club or organisation which may be interested in doing so, please contact our Site Manager on 01772 326915.

## HEAD BOY AND GIRL APPLICATIONS

The recruitment process for Head Boy, Head Girl, Deputies and the Prefect Leadership Team has now begun. Year 10 pupils interested in this role should email Mr Fitzpatrick, [mfi@olchs.lancs.sch.uk](mailto:mfi@olchs.lancs.sch.uk), for an application form. Completed forms should be returned to Mr Fitzpatrick by **3.30 pm on Wednesday, 9 May 2018**.

## CRICKET RESULTS

Unfortunately the U15 cricket team were knocked out of the Lancashire Cup in the first round. They faced St Margaret's Academy from Liverpool on Monday the 30th of April. The opposition won the toss and opted to bowl. Captain Ewen Mansford and Lewis Wellings opened the batting for Our Lady's and the pair remained for the duration of the innings. Together they helped achieve a target of 101 for the visitors to chase. Our Lady's started the second innings well taking an early wicket but unfortunately, one batsman in particular played exceptionally well, hitting numerous boundaries. In the end, the visitors exceeded the target with four overs spare. Even though the team lost, it was a great game and everyone played in positive spirits.

## NETBALL RESULTS

The Year 8 Netball team were in action today playing against Archbishop Temple in the Preston schools Netball league. They dominated the game throughout with Temple getting very little possession. The game finished 3-1 to Our Lady's. Well done to Molly Burns (player of the match), Anna Durney, Evie Skorge, Paige Dixon, Grace Wignall, Ella Jaffier, Anna Sutton (captain) and A'isha Ayyub.

## **APPRENTICESHIP VACANCIES**

Any Year 11 pupils who are interested in an apprenticeship can check the Preston's College apprenticeship vacancies section on their website. If any pupils have already applied for an apprenticeship with Preston's College, they can identify any vacancies that they are interested in and email their apprenticeship advisor who will forward their profile to the employers that are advertising various positions. Any pupils who have not yet applied but are interested in an apprenticeship can complete an application as soon as possible to enable Preston's College to help them find an employer placement. The following link provides access to apprenticeship vacancies: <https://www.preston.ac./appvacancies/>.

Apprenticeship advisors for the areas listed below can also be contacted at the following email addresses:

- Health & Social Care, Childcare, Dental, Pharmacy and Construction – [jgill2@preston.ac.uk](mailto:jgill2@preston.ac.uk)
- Engineering, Science, Hairdressing, Beauty Therapy, Barbering, Catering, Business and IT – [lcooper@preston.ac.uk](mailto:lcooper@preston.ac.uk).

### **Dates to remember**

Monday, 7 May – School closed for May Day  
Monday, 14 May – GCSE exams begin  
Friday, 25 May – School closes for half-term at 3.30 pm  
Monday, 4 June – School opens  
Wednesday, 6 June – Year 7 Cadbury World  
Thursday, 14 June – Sports Day  
Friday, 20 July – School closes for the end of term