



# Our Lady's Catholic High School



A National Teaching School

Friday, 11 May 2018

Our Prayer theme next week is **Ascension of the Lord**

The Ascension of the Lord has been moved back to be celebrated on its traditional day of Thursday (6th after Easter) from this year which means that we have another Holy Day of Obligation. This means that we are expected (obligated) to go to Mass on Thursday to celebrate the Ascension. Why? To share the faith of the disciples who, like us, are a mix of believers and doubters, confused and enlightened. Like them, we need to share in the story so that we can truly believe and give God the glory. The feast of the Ascension (like all Holy Days) marks an important chapter in the story of salvation - where Jesus finally leaves His disciples, but not before giving them *the mission*: go out to the world and spread the Good News to everyone. They fulfilled their mission. As modern-day disciples, are we fulfilling ours?



**(Prayer of Blessed John Henry Newman) God has created me to do Him some definite service. He has committed some work to me which He has not committed to another. I have my mission. I am a link in a chain, a bond of connection between people. He has not created me for nothing. I shall do good. I shall do His work. Amen.**

## **REWARDS TRIP 2018**

Our annual rewards trip this year is to Blackpool Pleasure Beach on Friday, 13 July 2018. In order to be able to attend pupils must meet the following criteria between **Monday, 14 May and Friday, 22 June**:

- High attendance (at LM discretion)
- No unauthorised absence
- No referrals
- No missed detentions
- No exclusions
- No debts to school including trips
- No more than 2 stage 3s
- At least 5 rewards points earned and cashed since January 2018
- Refusal to participate in sports day if they have the ability

If any serious incident occurs after 22 June, the pupil will automatically be removed from the trip.

## **THE ENTREPRENEUR COMPETITION – YEAR 8**

All Year 8 pupils are taking part in **The Entrepreneur** enterprise competition in their Design & Technology lessons. Pupils will be working in groups of three and have been given a £10 loan by OLCBS (repayable in July, date to be confirmed). They must run enterprising activities (the half term holidays will be good for this!) which will allow them to make as much profit from their loan as possible. All profit is to be kept and equally distributed within the groups. Each group will make a short presentation (including photographic evidence) to their class about their activities and a winning team from each class will be selected. Good luck!

## **RULES**

- Pupils are not allowed to do the lottery or play the lottery.
- Pupils must not sell goods within school time under any circumstances. This includes selling sweets on the quad or yard at break or lunch.
- Pupils should refrain from cake sales and car washes, trying to be more creative with their ideas.
- All groups will be expected to pay the £10 loan back in full.
- The work that pupils do in their groups must be divided up equally between all three members. **Profit must be shared out equally at the end of the activity.**
- Groups **MUST provide photographic evidence** of their activity.

### **DANCE COMPETITION**

Eight of our pupils attended a Dance competition held at Fulwood Academy on Thursday, 3 May. There were 12 acts from 5 different schools and our Year 9 group came a well-deserved 3rd place, winning a medal each and trophy. The pupils were well supported by parents in the audience and were a credit to themselves and our school.

### **CASTLERIGG MANOR NEEDS OUR HELP!**

Further to Mr Ranson's request for support please follow the link below to donate whatever you feel appropriate:

<https://mydonate.bt.com/fundraisers/nigelranson1>

It would be wonderful if we could reach our target and that our pupils will continue to benefit from their time at Castlerigg Manor for many years to come. With thanks for your support and to all those who have donated already.

### **CRICKET NEWS - YEAR 9**

The Year 9 team faced Ripley St Thomas' of Lancaster in the first round of this year's competition and we had been kindly given the use of Fulwood and Broughton Cricket Club to host the game. Our Lady's won the toss and opted to field first. Opening bowler and captain James Lupton gave the batsmen some trouble in the first over as he bowled with electrifying pace and nearly took the wicket of one batsman, but the ball narrowly missed off stump. Harry Wignall also bowled well, giving away the odd single run but generally bowling a nice line and length. The pick of the bowlers was Sam Jones who took 2 wickets from his 4 overs, only conceding 13 runs (including a double wicket maiden). Ripley finished the innings with an excellent 102 runs for 7 wickets. James Lupton and Sam Moncrief opened the batting as we chased a considerable target but unfortunately both James and Sam were caught early in their efforts, playing their shots a little too early and being caught in the field. Aaron Hewitt settled some nerves with a quick 12 runs before being bowled out and it was then left to man of the match Harry Wignall to keep the run rate ticking over and keep Our Lady's in the game. Harry played many excellent shots off his front foot to earn himself a well deserved 22 runs, hitting two boundaries on his way. We were finally bowled out for 59 run and Ripley move on to the second round. The game was played in excellent spirits and the Our Lady's team represented the school exceptionally well.

### **CADLEY FC (GIRLS TEAM)**

Cadley Football Club are looking for girls in current Years 6 and 7 to form a second Under 12's team at Cadley FC. If you enjoy football and want to try out your skills, make new friends and have fun then they would love to hear from you. Please get in touch by email: [joburrowcadley@btinternet.com](mailto:joburrowcadley@btinternet.com) or visit our website [www.cadleyfc.com](http://www.cadleyfc.com)

### **CHARITY BALL**

On Friday, 13 July 2018 there will be a fundraising ball taking place at Preston Grasshoppers. The aim of the event is to raise as much money as possible for the Christie Charity Fund and the Teenage Cancer Trust. Both these services supported past pupil Jamie Tulloch and his family following his leukaemia diagnosis. Tickets are available by emailing [Dinnerdance13july@outlook.com](mailto:Dinnerdance13july@outlook.com) and are priced at £20 for adults and £10 for children. All profits are to be split equally between both charities.

### **SCHOOL THERAPY DOG**

After half-term, we will begin training a cockapoo puppy as our school therapy dog. Dogs have been scientifically proven to improve health (both physical and mental), to develop responsibility in children and to provide love and companionship. For the first 8 weeks the puppy will be acclimatising to the school environment and undergoing extensive training. This training will continue during the summer holidays, before he starts working with pupils in lessons and in Learning Support in September 2018. This will initially be on a trial basis. If you have any questions or concerns, please contact Carmel Waszczuk.

#### **Dates to remember**

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  
Tuesday, 3 July – Prefects' Ball  
Friday, 20 July – School closes for the end of term