



Our Lady's Catholic High School

A National Teaching School



Friday, 9 November 2018

Our prayer theme next week: **Remembrance**

They shall grow not old, as we that are left grow old:
Age shall not weary them, nor the years condemn.
At the going down of the sun and in the morning,
We will remember them.

Lord, help us to always respectfully remember those who have lost their lives fighting in war. Let us pray for those who are affected by war today. Lord, bring peace in to our world. Amen.

VACANCY

We currently have a vacancy for a Catering Assistant to work in our Restaurant. Further details, including Job Description and Application Forms, can be found on the school website www.olchs.lancs.sch.uk.

FOOTBALL MATCH REPORTS

The **Year 7** football teams started their league campaign on Wednesday, 7 November at Ashton Community Science College. Two seven-a-side teams were selected to play a range of fixtures throughout November. The first night was very impressive. Both teams played three games, winning 2 and drawing 1 each. Collectively, they finished the evening undefeated, scoring a combined total of 15 goals and only conceding 2. There was a lot of fast paced, high quality football played by both Our Lady's teams, not to mention demonstrating some clinical finishing. The squad now look forward to the next set of games on the 14th, where hopefully they can both continue their unbeaten run.

The **Year 8, 9 and 10** football teams took part in games against Eden Boys' School this week. As these teams had not progressed to the league finals it was important to give other boys an opportunity to represent the school in a competitive game, showing off their talents and aiming to earn a place in the starting 11. So there were plenty of changes in all 3 teams. The games were highly competitive and the score lines were often close. All players worked extremely hard but it was Eden that eventually came out on top, winning two out of the three games. The Year 8 team narrowly lost 2-0 while the Year 9 team won convincingly 5-0. The Year 10 game was much closer and finished 3-1 to Eden with much of the game being held at 1-1 until the final few minutes where Eden pulled away with two quick goals. A fantastic effort by all involved.

Year 11 Football

The Year 11 team are back on great form after securing another 5-1 victory in the third round of the English Schools Football Competition against Our Lady and St John's Catholic College. Our opponents travelled from Blackburn and the game kicked off at 3.45 on Monday, 5 November. We were caught slacking at the start of the game and a quick throw-in allowed our opponents to take a quick lead after a fine strike beat Lewis Wellings who was standing in for our regular goalkeeper. We were soon back in control after David Alker tapped in from close range. Cian Hayes soon added another when his solo run was slotted away past a bewildered goalkeeper. Alker found the net again before half time to make the score 3-1. The second half saw much of the same action as the first half with the Preston school controlling play and preventing any goal scoring opportunities from our opposition. Cian Hayes added two more to complete his hat-trick and the score ended 5-1. Well done to all the team.

GIRLS FOOTBALL UPDATE

It's been a busy week for girls' football as both the U14 and U16 teams have been in action. The U14 team competed in the second round of the Lancashire Cup at home to Central High School, Lancaster. The girls played some fantastic football and dominated for the entire game. With the final score 11-0 to OLCBS. U16 travelled to Rossendale also in the second round of the Lancashire Cup. A long journey and short warm up is never a great start to a game but nevertheless the girls took the lead into halftime with a goal from Ellis King. The second half was nail biting! We had various attempts on goal, but we were denied by off side and hitting the woodwork a few times. All Saints managed to take advantage of this and score two goals within the first 10 minutes of the second half. We equalised a few minutes later and all was square at 2-2 with 10 mins to play. Abbie Wright then went on to score again resulting in OLCBS leading 3-2 with 4 minutes to play. In the final last play of the game, All Saints scored to make it 3-3. Due to fading light it was decided to go straight to penalties. We had every faith in our keeper Tessa Feeney and knew that those who had volunteered to take a penalty would give it their best. There were times when as a team we couldn't watch. It was just so close with both teams matching goal for goal and save for save. On the fourth goal Tessa managed to tip the ball over the net and then All Saints final penalty went wide! We had won! Such an exciting game. Well done to all involved. We march on into the next round.



TEACHER TRAINING AFTERNOON TEA INFORMATION EVENT

Do you have (or are soon to be awarded) a degree? Are you interested in a career in teaching (primary or secondary or post 16)? If you answer yes to these questions then the Catholic Teaching Alliance invites you to attend a free, no obligation, information event in the Training Centre at Our Lady's Catholic High School.

- Date: Friday 16 November
- Time: 2.30pm – 4pm.

If you are interested, we would encourage you to come in and have a chat with us about the exciting opportunities available for training in your local Catholic schools. Please contact our ITT director Mr Adrian Gormally on CTAschooldirect@olchs.lancs.sch.uk or 01772 326931 to book your place.

WINTER SPECTACULAR

St Bernard's Catholic Primary school will be holding a Winter Spectacular with Fireworks on Monday, 19 November. Entrance prices are £1.50 per person or £5.00 a family of four or you can pay on the night which is £2 per person. Gates open at 6.15 pm with the fireworks starting at 7.00 pm and tickets are available from St Bernard's school office.

Dates to remember

Friday, 16 November – Cheese and Wine Evening at 7.00 pm
Tuesday, 4 December - CAFOD Advent Service – St Anthony's Church at 6.00 pm
Thursday, 13 December – Christmas Lunch
Friday, 21 December – school closes for Christmas at 12.45 pm
Monday, 7 January 2019 – school opens
Friday, 15 February 2019 – school closes for half-term
Tuesday, 26 February 2018 – school opens