



Our Lady's Catholic High School



A National Teaching School

Friday, 27 September 2019

The Prayer Theme next week is Harvest

The parable from this Sunday's Gospel (Dives and Lazarus Luke 16: 19-31) reminds us that we are called by God to share our wealth with those less fortunate than ourselves. We can do this in many ways – by giving money but also by giving our time, giving away things we no longer need and using our gifts and talents for the good of others. Recycling will allow those in the worst affected countries, to indeed have a harvest.

Lord, give us a generous heart and a kind spirit to help those in need. Give us the insight to know how best to help others, and the confidence to know that you will always provide for our needs.

"Each one should give as much as he has decided on his own initiative, not reluctantly or under compulsion, for God loves a cheerful giver." 2 Cor 9: 6-7

LANCASHIRE CONSTABULARY MONEY MULE CAMPAIGN 2019

Parents, teachers and guardians in Lancashire are being urged to warn their children about the dangers of becoming a money mule, with new figures revealing the number of 14-18 year olds misusing their bank accounts has risen by 73 per cent in the past three years. The Don't Be Fooled awareness campaign which is run by Lancashire Police warns parents, teachers and guardians of the risks of their children becoming a money mule. A money mule is someone who transfers stolen money through their own bank account on behalf of someone else and is paid for doing so. Criminals use money mules to launder the profits of their crimes. Young people are often unaware that acting as a money mule is illegal. They are approached to take part online or in person, including through social media, at school, college or sports clubs. For further information please follow this link www.moneymules.co.uk

SKILLS FOR LIFE AWARD OUTWARD BOUND LOCH EIL, SCOTLAND 20.7.2020 - 7.8.2020

Due to our close links with Outward Bound over the past 5 years we have been offered 5 places on a 19 day summer activity programme. The cost of the trip is £200pp including all transport, food and activities (the cost is usually £1,750).

Who is it for:

The opportunity for 15-19 year olds (students who have recently left OLCHS but will be under the age of 19 next summer can also apply).

What you will do:

With help from your instructor, you and your new-found friends will plan three multi-day expeditions, decide which mountains to conquer, what route to take and where to pitch your tent.

For the days you're not hiking you'll have the opportunity to try more technical activities. Like rock climbing, canoeing, kayaking, sailing, gorge scrambling, raft building, tree climbing, Jacob's ladder and our infamous challenge wall. By day nineteen, you'll feel ready to take on the world, equipped with the skills, confidence and experience to do whatever you put your mind to. Further information about what you will do can be found at: <https://www.outwardbound.org.uk/courses/the-skills-for-life-award#outcomes>

Qualification:

You will gain a report from your assessor and a certificate which you can put on your C.V. If you are planning to do your Gold Duke of Edinburgh Award it will also count as your residential component.

More information:

For more information please contact CMA@olchs.lancs.sch.uk.

SCHOLASTIC BOOK FAIR

The Scholastic book fair is coming to our school on Wednesday, 2 October until Wednesday, 9 October. The book fair will be held in the LRC and all pupils are welcome to view the selection of books at break time, lunchtime or after school. As Christmas is approaching, this is a great opportunity to stock up on new & exciting bestselling series, non-fiction and classics. Every book you buy at our book fair helps our school to earn free books for the library. You can peruse the books online at bookfairs.scholastic.co.uk.

NETBALL NEWS

The Year 11 teams began their netball season on Wednesday, 18 September. The B team had three tough matches all against A teams. To their credit, we are only one of two schools that have a B team. They lost to a very strong Longridge and Broughton teams. Our A and B teams were then drawn against each other. The final score being 13-0 to the A team. However, the game was very end to end.

On Wednesday, 25 September the A team had a convincing win over Christ the King in the Preston Schools' League. They dominated the game throughout. The final score was 14-2.

YEAR 8 FOOTBALL

Unfortunately, the Year 8 football team lost their first game of the season against Archbishop Temple School. The team travelled away on Wednesday, 18 September. Our Lady's was the better team and played the better football throughout the game. However, they couldn't match the physicality of the opposition. Their speed and strength suited their direct style of play that they adopted. It was 3-0 at half time but Our Lady's had so much of the ball and felt as though they were still in the game. The team listened to advice and acted on feedback; they managed to score three goals in the second half, all by Leighton Hewitt. But unfortunately, the home side also scored another three (similar) goals. The game finished 6-3 to Archbishop Temple School. The team must now focus on the many positives that can be taken from this game.

The team played their second game of the season away at Ashton Science and Community College on Wednesday, 25 September. The team dominated possession for the duration of the game but failed to convert the early chances they created. However, Leighton Hewitt broke the deadlock, with 15 minutes played, to make the game 1-0. Unfortunately, some mistakes throughout the game allowed the home side to score two goals. Nevertheless, additional strikes from Isaac Webster and Toby Atherton saw Our Lady's lead 3-2 at the break. Whilst they were ahead, their performance warranted a bigger lead. The second half was much more open and thankfully Our Lady's added a further three goals and defended well. Leighton Hewitt added a further two goals to complete his second hat-trick in a week. The game ended 6-2. The squad was in high spirits; they thoroughly deserved their win.

YEAR 9 FOOTBALL

The team began their season strongly but could not muster a win against Broughton High School on Wednesday, 25 September. Our Lady's began as the more dominant team and quickly took the lead after a mistake from the goalkeeper allowed Dominic Richmond to capitalise and slot the ball home well. Broughton quickly equalised after an unfortunate slip from goalkeeper Malachy McGuire. Our Lady's regained the lead soon after with a neat finish from Tiernan Hayes but the second half saw constant pressure from Broughton who struck the net twice more to give them a 3-2 victory. The team play Longridge High School next Wednesday in what should be another tough game.

YEAR 11 FOOTBALL

The team played their first game in the Preston Schools' League against Longridge High School on Monday, 23 September. Our Lady's were quickly in front after Aaron Hewitt capitalised on a defensive error. They continued to add to their tally after a neat finish from Harry Wignall and a headed goal from Rocco Williams. Longridge pulled one back just before half time to leave the score 3-1 to Our Lady's. A couple of substitutions were made at half time and Our Lady's maintained the pressure, adding two more goals to take an extensive lead, including a fine near post glancing header from Aaron Hewitt. Our defence began to get a little strained and Longridge piled on the pressure, pulling two quick goals back followed by a fine free kick to take the score to 5-4. Our Lady's managed to hold on for the win and look forward to their next game later this week.

Dates to remember

Thursday, 3 October – Open Evening, school closes for pupils at 12.45 pm

Friday, 4 October – INSET day school closed for all pupils

Friday, 18 October – School closes for half-term

Monday, 28 October – School opens

Thursday, 7 November – GCSE Certificate Presentation Evening

Friday, 8 November – Presentation Assemblies – school closes at 12.45 pm

Thursday, 19 December – School closes for Christmas at 12.45 pm

Monday, 6 January – School opens for the Spring Term