



# Our Lady's Catholic High School



A National Teaching School

Friday, 28 February 2020

The Theme for next week is TEMPTATION (Matthew 4: 1 – 11)

None of us should have to face the wilderness alone. We are all tempted; we all fail; we all sin. Sometimes we might wonder if there is any way out of the wilderness we find ourselves in! During this time of Lent, we could perhaps try to spend a little time each day in prayer; just a few minutes to let the word of God form us. In letting God find us right where we are, we can come out of the wilderness and experience the peace of His presence.

**A pure heart create for me, O God,  
put a steadfast spirit within me.  
Do not cast me away from your presence,  
nor deprive me of your holy spirit.  
Have mercy on us, O Lord, for we have sinned.  
(Psalm 50)**

## CORONAVIRUS

Schools are receiving near daily updates of advice from the Department for Education regarding best practice in light of the coronavirus outbreak. The advice is clear that schools should remain open. We do need to know of any individual cases where children have visited countries or parts of countries that have been designated risk areas. It is therefore essential that families make contact with school to inform us if such visits have taken place over half term.

To our knowledge, no child has been in a designated risk area (South Italy is not such an area). We have one member of staff who visited a risk zone and that person is self-isolating pending a clear assessment. If you know that your child has been in a risk area, then you must act in the common good and inform school. A period of self-isolation should then take place as per official advice. Pupils will be reminded about excellent hygiene standards while at school and, while this period of concern continues, pupils will be allowed to bring to school a bottle of hand sanitiser (**for personal use ONLY**).

We track the latest advice on a daily basis and will inform parents immediately should the stated position need to change.

## 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 OLCHS (repayable on 28th April - Forms O, U & R and 30th April - Forms L, A & D). They must run enterprising activities (the Easter 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 and then go on to compete in a grand final on 14 May. 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.

### **TABLE TENNIS NEWS**

Four pupils took part in a Preston Schools' table tennis competition at Broughton on Wednesday. The team played well but just missed out on going through to the next round. Well done to Khushi Udani who won all of her matches and Alice Moncrief, Annie Heaton and Freya Singleton.

### **YEAR 7 FOOTBALL**

The Year 7 Football team have made it to their second Lancashire Cup final of the year, this time in the 7 a side format. They beat St Bede's of Blackburn 1-0 in the semi-final on Wednesday, 26 February. The game was incredibly close throughout until Bruce Leeming fired in a low left-footed shot across the goalkeeper to take the lead with 5 minutes remaining. The team managed to hold off for the win and they will now compete for the title against 3 other schools on Finals Day which will take place during March.

#### **Dates to remember**

Thursday, 19 March - Year 7 Parents Evening – 4.00 pm until 6.30 pm

Tuesday, 24 March – Year 9 Options Evening at 5.00 pm

Friday, 3 April – School closes for the Easter holidays at 12.45 pm

Monday, 20 April – school opens for the Summer Term

Wednesday, 29 April – Year 7 Normandy Trip

Friday, 8 May – School closed for VE day celebrations

Friday, 22 May – School closes for half-term at 3.00 pm

Monday, 1 June – School opens