



# Our Lady's Catholic High School



A National Teaching School

Friday, 11 September 2020

The theme for next week is forgiveness (Matthew 18: 21 – 35)

Peter went up to Jesus and said, 'Lord, how often must I forgive my brother if he wrongs me? As often as seven times?' Jesus answered, 'Not seven, I tell you, but seventy-seven times.'

God's love and compassion allows us to make a fresh start when we ask for forgiveness. He forgives us seventy-seven times. Don't worry, in biblical terms that means always! So, when someone causes you pain, remember that God has been gracious enough to forgive you when you sin. So, let us try to forgive those who hurt us, no matter how hard that may seem.

Our Father, who art in heaven...

Amen.

## **ADMISSIONS – SEPTEMBER 2021**

The process of applying for high school places for September 2021 has now begun for Year 6 pupils. Parents wishing to choose Our Lady's should apply online at:

<https://www.lancashire.gov.uk/children-education-families/schools/apply-for-a-school-place/apply-online-for-a-school-place/>

or via the link on the school website. Parents should ensure that preferences are selected in the correct order as Lancashire County Council always aim to offer places in order of preference. Please be aware that it is necessary to apply even if a brother or sister is already at Our Lady's and it is imperative that all applications are received **before the deadline of 31 October 2020**.

In addition to the Lancashire application process we ask that a Supplementary Form is completed if you wish to be considered on faith grounds. The online form is available for completion on the school website [www.olchs.lancs.sch.uk](http://www.olchs.lancs.sch.uk) on the Admissions Page. To provide a Baptismal Certificate or Faith Reference please email [pbi@olchs.lancs.sch.uk](mailto:pbi@olchs.lancs.sch.uk). Unfortunately, due to Health and Safety reasons we are unable to accept paper copies at this time.

## **ROAD SAFETY AND RESPECTFUL PARKING**

Please may we remind all parents about the importance of road safety and appropriate parking. The area close to school becomes easily congested when there are a large number of both primary and secondary school pupils at the beginning and end of the school day. The safety of all our pupils is paramount. We also ask that parents using the local area for drop off/pick up are respectful of homeowners by not blocking driveways and preventing exit.

## **BIKE SHEDS**

Ove coming week or so we are expecting delivery of our new Bike Sheds meaning more pupils will be able to store their bikes safely and securely during the school day. Please encourage your child to come to school on their bike, remembering to complete a contract beforehand. The following link will take you to the form to complete:

<https://forms.gle/nbdQVQ4BRzmJPBWS7>

### **TOUR DE FRANCE UPDATE**

Ex-pupil Hugh Carthy is still going strong in this year's Tour De France. After stage 12 he sits in 41st position. He has been as high as 25th over the last week but a tough couple of days has seen him drop to 41st, however this is still an incredible feat in his first Tour de France. All at Our Lady's wish Hugh the best of luck in the remaining stages.

#### **Dates to remember**

Friday, 2 October – INSET day school closed for all pupils

Friday, 23 October – School closes for half-term

Monday, 2 November – School opens

Friday, 18 December – School closes for Christmas at 12.45 pm

Monday, 4 January – School opens for the Spring Term

Friday, 12 February 2021 – School closes for half-term

Monday, 22 February INSET day school closed for all pupils

Tuesday, 23 February – school opens