



Our Lady's Catholic High School



Friday, 13 May 2022

The theme for next week is: The Golden Rule. (John 13: 31-35)

Mother Teresa didn't try to solve all of the world's problems: she simply lived her life in radical service and love for her neighbour, expecting God to take care of the rest.

We hear in our Gospel how Jesus asks us to 'love one another, just as I have loved you'. Before you act or speak, always remember this message, to treat others as you would like to be treated.

This is the Golden Rule. Live by it.

A Blessing

The Lord bless you and keep you;

The Lord make his face shine upon you and be gracious to you;

The Lord turn his face towards you,

And give you peace.

Amen

TRESPASSING

The police have contacted school to say that a number of children have been seen entering the derelict building of St Joseph's in Mount Street, Preston and causing damage. This is very dangerous and of course completely unacceptable and wrong. I ask that parents and guardians speak with their children to ensure that they understand that they must never enter abandoned or disused buildings. The police have told us that they will be increasing the surveillance of this building as a result of what has been taking place and prosecution can result from illegal trespass. Our Learning Managers will be stressing the importance of this during assembly next week. With thanks for your support.

INTERNATIONAL DAY OF THE FAMILY

Please see the leaflet, attached with this Newsletter, from Lancashire County Council with information on activities available to celebrate the International Day of the Family.

YEAR 10 FOOTBALL FINALISTS

The Year 10 football team were courageous runners-up in the final of the Preston football cup competition after a narrow 2-1 defeat to Fulwood Academy. All members of the squad had played their part in the build-up to secure the school's place in the final and they were keen to return to win the silverware, however it was not to be on this occasion. Fulwood were a strong and skilful team and right from the start they moved the ball around the field with accuracy and found spaces behind our defence. Fulwood took the lead after 15 minutes when a scuffed shot bounced in off the post and left the Our Lady's players feeling a little unfortunate. Captain for the game Leighton Hewitt worked tirelessly to win possession in the centre of the field and looked to get centre forward Toby Atherton in behind our opponent's defence however it was proving difficult as it became easy to get isolated on such a large pitch and the long ball game made the centre forward's work extremely hard. One such occasion did provide us with a goal however as Toby Atherton skilfully took control of a lofted pass and slotted the ball past the Fulwood goalkeeper from around 10 yards with what was essentially the last kick of the half. In the second half Our Lady's began to pass the ball around the team with greater intent and put together some excellent passages of play. Leighton Hewitt was unfortunate not to score when his stinging shot from 25 yards was acrobatically saved by the goalkeeper. Harry Hargreaves also had a number of chances but was thwarted by resilient defending. Charlie Crook maintained control of our defensive back line and was instrumental in the build-up of some of our chances to attack. Liam McCaul was also strong in his dogged defending, preventing the attackers from having too much space to create chances. But it was to be Fulwood Academy that made the final breakthrough with only a few minutes left of the game and a long-range effort from their midfield saw the ball fly into the top corner of our goal to seal

their victory in what was an excellent game of football. The team were disappointed not to win but can be exceptionally proud of their achievements in reaching the final and representing the school so well.

U16 FOOTBAL FINALISTS

On Sunday, 8 May the U16 girls travelled to Deepdale for the Preston finals. The girls were extremely excited and nervous but could not wait to put their tip toes on the hallowed turf. We started really well and scored a goal. Unfortunately, Archbishop Temple scored a goal very quickly and at half time it was 1-1. In the second half we came out a little slow and Archbishop Temple took advantage and scored two goals in quick succession. The girls did not give up however and fought strongly until the end. The final score was 4-1 with player of the match going to Amelia Dickson for her wonderful defensive work at the back.

Dates to remember

Friday, 27 May – School closes for half-term

Monday, 6 June – School opens

Thursday, 21 July – School closes for the Summer Holidays at 12.45 pm

Friday, 2 September – School opens for Year 7 and 11 only

Monday, 5 September – School opens for all pupils

Friday, 7 October – INSET day school closed for all pupils