



Our Lady's Catholic High School



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26th September 2025



The Theme Next Week: HARVEST, Luke 16:19–31

‘You received good things, and Lazarus bad things; now he is comforted here, and you are in anguish.’

In the parable of the rich man and Lazarus, Jesus reminds us that what we do with what we have matters. The rich man had plenty but ignored the suffering of Lazarus at his gate.

As we celebrate harvest time, it's not just about giving thanks for what we receive, but also thinking about how we share. True harvest is about generosity, kindness, and noticing those in need.

Loving God,

Thank you for the food we eat and the blessings we share.

Help us to notice those in need and to be kind and generous.

**Teach us to use what we have to care for others,
so that everyone can enjoy the fruits of the harvest.**

Amen.



BOOO Virtues

Congratulations go to:

Year 7: Isaac Hogarth - grateful and generous

Year 8: Katy Shuttleworth-Evans - intentional and prophetic

Year 9: Connie Richardson - intentional and prophetic

Year 10: Jacob Abbott | Danish Malik - grateful and generous

Year 11: Dorrell Smith - curious and active



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Homework Update

AND TIPS FOR PARENTS

We would like to congratulate all students who are completing their homework to a high standard and handing it in on time. For those who may benefit from a little extra support, here are some suggestions that some students have found helpful:



1. Completing homework on the night it is set can make it more manageable.
2. The Learning Resource Centre (LRC) and Learning Support are available after school for students who would like extra guidance.
3. Organising tasks and deadlines clearly in a planner, and marking them off when complete, can help students keep track of their work.
4. A quick check of the planner or Synergy after homework is finished can help ensure everything has been completed.
5. Establishing a consistent time each day for homework, treated like a regular appointment, can help it become part of a daily routine.

These strategies are shared to support students in managing their workload and building effective study habits.



ATTENDANCE MATTERS.

Amazing work from Forms 10U / 7R / 7L / 7A / 7D all with 100% attendance on Monday

7L also have the highest attendance across the school so far.

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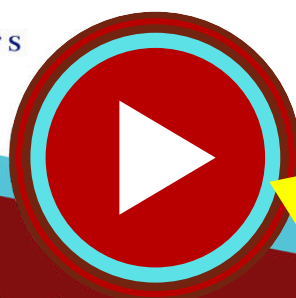
OPEN EVENING

THURSDAY 2 OCTOBER 2025

6PM UNTIL 8.30PM

Headteacher Talk at 6pm | 7pm | 7.45pm

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Find out what toothpaste is made of in **HOW IT WORKS**

Which cars are **TOP GEAR'S 40 Greatest?**

Get creative with **DIGITAL CAMERA** magazine and capture fabulous autumnal scenes

Who was the rightful king in 1066? Follow the debate in **BBC HISTORY**

New October magazines have arrived in the LRC

USEFUL RESOURCES

September Online Safety Newsletter

Community Support Information



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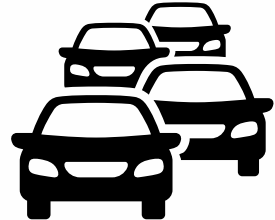
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HIRING**

join our team



Polite Parking



We kindly ask parents and visitors to Our Lady's Catholic High School, when parking on nearby streets including St Catherine's Drive and St Anthony's Drive, please be respectful of local residents and their properties.

Thank you



2025 Diary Dates

Friday 26 September

Year 7 Mass of Welcome

Thursday 2 October

School closes 12.35 pm for Open Evening preparation

Friday 3 October

INSET DAY - pupils at home

Thursday 23 October

Year 11 Parents' Evening

SCHOOL TIMES

Arrive at school / Go to waiting areas	8.40- 8.45
Pupils go to Form rooms / Locker time	8.45- 8.55
Form Time	8.55-9.15
School finishes	3pm

Except Tuesdays (ONLY)

Pupils finish at 2.30pm

OLCHS SOCIAL MEDIA



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Sporting News

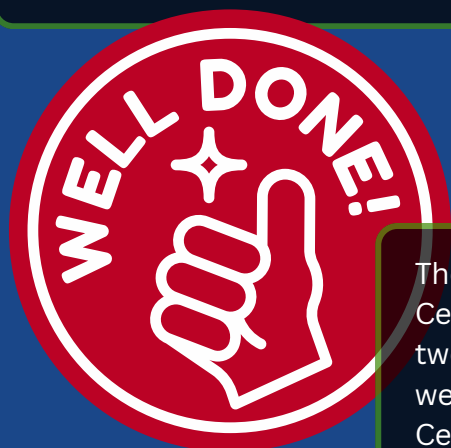
Year 9 Boys Football

The Year 9 boys' football team started their campaign with a comfortable 6-1 win against Moor Park. The boys settled into the game well after an opening goal from Jaiden C, the first of what would be an end of game hat trick for the striker.

School football team debutants Myles J and Josh T were also on the score sheet making the day extra special for the two boys.

The team's encouraging performance should stand them in good stead for the rest of the league competition, with games coming up thick and fast.

Next game is at home to Corpus Christi.



Year 8 Boys Football

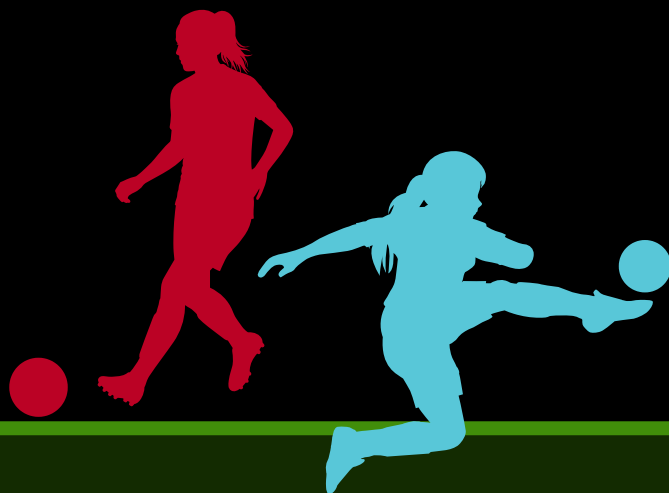
The Year 8 football team got off to a great start with a 3-2 victory over St Cecilia's RC High School on Monday 22 September. This fixture featured the two teams that reached the Preston Schools' cup final when in Year 7, so we were aware it would be a close game. Both teams started strongly with St Cecilia's putting early pressure on our defence, requiring goalkeeper Archie G to make some important saves. Within minutes Our Lady's had taken the lead after a quick counter-attack saw Ethan R capitalise on the opposition goalkeeper being too far off his line. Another goal from PJ D soon extended our lead before St Cecilia's pulled a goal back to make the score 2-1. A Cai D cross from the left wing was met by PJ again with a neat headed finish to take us into half time with a lead of 3-1. St Cecilia's pulled another goal back in the second half however Our Lady's held on for the victory with a final score of 3-2.

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U16 GIRLS FOOTBALL

Well done to the U16 girls football team who beat Fulwood 5-0, St Cecilia's 4-0 and Longridge 2-0 on their opening fixtures in the Preston Schools' league. Players of the Match went to Orla C, Evie M and Charlotte D.

Captain Karley R displayed true leadership in motivating the team.



GYMNASTICS

Congratulations to Emilia E in Year 10 who took part in the Red Rose North West Senior Gymnastics competition last weekend, where she competed in the all-round competition which included floor, beam, bars and vault. Emilia finished a respectable fifth out of ten.

The gymnasts then competed on individual apparatus, and after a well executed routine on bars and vault, Emilia came 1st on both pieces. An amazing achievement, well done.



Betsy L in Year 11 attended two rounds of Lancashire U16's rugby trials at Leigh Rugby Club.

After successfully getting through to the final round she was one of the 25 girls to be selected from the 103 girls that tried out. We wish Betsy every success for the upcoming season.



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YEAR 10 & 11

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OPEN EVENTS

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Spill the Tea on T Levels at Teatime

Thursday 16th October 2025,
7.00pm to 8.00pm

Live Webinar on Teams

REGISTER HERE



NHS, Social Care and Further Education colleagues from across the North West are delivering an information session on T Levels, with a focus on the Health T Level. We aim to bust some myths and provide expert advice on this pathway and the Industry Based Placements associated with the course.

T Level Information Event for Parents/Carers & Educators

Join us on for our 'Spill the Tea on T Levels at Tea Time' Webinar Live on Microsoft Teams, Thursday 16th October, 7.00-8.00pm

Learn more about T Levels in Health and how they could support your child's bright future! An opportunity not to be missed - aimed at parents and school staff.

With testimonies from Health T Level students and NHS and Social Care staff plus a 15 minute Q&A!

Scan the QR code to register today!

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YOUR NEXT STEPS BEYOND SCHOOL

InvestIN are running a series of free webinars to help you think about your next steps after school. Each session gives practical advice on different pathways and what you can be doing now to strengthen future applications.

The events are suitable for all students in Years 11-13, whether you are just starting to explore your options or are preparing applications.

UPCOMING EVENTS:

If you cannot join live, you can still register to receive the recording.

MAKING IT TO MEDICAL SCHOOL TUESDAY 30TH SEPTEMBER • 6-7 PM UK TIME

Gain expert insight from UCLH Dr Obaid Sayed on how to approach medical school applications and show admission tutors you're ready for the challenges of medical school.



ALTERNATIVE PATHWAYS TO UNIVERSITY WEDNESDAY 1ST OCTOBER • 6-7 PM UK TIME

University isn't the only route - explore how degree apprenticeships and other pathways can lead to successful careers.



UNDERSTANDING UCAS THURSDAY 2ND OCTOBER • 6-7 PM UK TIME

Learn how to build a UCAS application that stands out, and discover the steps you can take now to showcase your interests and experiences.



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