

Our Lady's Catholic High School

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The theme for next week is 'Called' (Matthew 4: 18 -22)

'Follow me and I will make you fishers of men.' At once, leaving the boat, they followed him.

It is easy to think that being called by Jesus is something that happened in the Bible to a few fishermen. This isn't the case. We are all called to follow Christ. We are called to be a witness through our words and actions. God needs witnesses in all walks of life and each one of us has a unique and wonderful purpose. Trust in Him and He will guide you and bring you joy. The words from John's Gospel are for you. I come that you may have life and have it to the full. (John 10:10)

Dear Lord,

Guide me to know my calling.

Help me to trust in you always, even when I cannot see the road ahead.

Thank you for your promise of eternal life.

Amen

BOOO VIRTUES PUPILS

Below are some of our pupils who have shown outstanding commitment to the BOOO Virtues this week and have been chosen by their Learning Manager for recognition.

Year	Name	Form	Reason
Year 7	Matthew Burrow	7A	For being attentive and curious in lessons and compassionate to staff and peers
Year 8	Will Bartlett Oliver Billington	8A 8A	For being intentional and generous in helping a visitor to find their way around school last week.
Year 9	Leighton Hehir	9U	For offering to help without being asked, compassionate and generous.
Year 10	Maggie Livesey	10L	For continued dedication and consistency of being the best version of herself. Always Generous and Grateful.
Year 11	Alfie Gardner	11A	For supporting another pupil when they were struggling - attentive and discerning.

KEEPING SAFE ONLINE

Attached with this Newsletter is important information for parents/carers on the dangers children face whilst playing on Roblox/Snapchat. Some children are being sent a private chat with an attached word document that contains rules and instructions for 'THE GAME' – this is self-harm game containing a list of self-harming actions for children to complete. For more information and support please follow the link below:

<https://ineqe.com/2023/01/13/roblox-harmful-content/>

FOOTBALL RESULTS

The Year 11 football team played their first Lancashire Cup fixture of the year against Rossall School on Thursday, 12 January. It was played at Pool Foot Farm, the training facility for Fleetwood Town FC. The team were in excellent spirits and had been ready for the game for some time. The weather conditions were initially quite calm but within minutes of the kick off the wind picked up and began to gust heavily against the Our Lady's team, making our

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counterattacks even more energy-sapping. However, a great reactive strike across the goalkeeper and into the bottom corner from Oliver Thackeray gave Our Lady's a 0-1 lead, boosting spirits even more. The lead did not last too long though, as Rossall soon came into the game, carving gaps in the defence with excellent individual skill and three excellent goals gave Rossall a 3-1 advantage going into half time. With the wind now behind the team for the second half it allowed our counter attacks to be a little quicker and we applied regular pressure to the defence. Toby Atherton would be rewarded for his efforts after turning his defender inside and striking a fantastic curling effort across goal from the left-hand side and into the top corner to bring the deficit to just one goal. Despite a lot of pressure in the final minutes Our Lady's could not find the final goal to pull level and with what was nearly the last kick-of the game, Rossall pounced on some tired legs in the Our Lady's team and scored their fourth goal to secure victory with a 4-2 score line. The game demonstrated fantastic efforts and skill from both teams, but it was Rossall who move into the next round while Our Lady's are eliminated.

YEAR 11 GCSE ART – IMPORTANT INFORMATION.

All of our GCSE artists will have submitted the Component 1 element (coursework) for their GCSE in Art, which is 60% of their GCSE grade by 20th January. Next week, all students start Component 2 (the exam project), which is the last 40% of their GCSE grade. Pupils will work on tasks in class and at home to develop their project and complete 10 hours of unaided supervised time in school on the following dates:

- Session 1 Periods 1-5.
- 11A & 11B 26/4/23
- 11C & 11D 27/4/23
- Session 2 Periods 1-5.
- 11A & 11B 2/5/23
- 11C & 11D 3/5/23

All preparatory work must be submitted prior to the first session and after completion of the second session no other work to support their grade can be submitted.

In order to assist you in supporting your child with this last push, copies of the exam paper, an OLCHS help sheet, an in-class and at home/revision task weekly plan as well examples of previous Grade 9 sketchbooks are all available on your child's Art Teams page.

Just to be aware that exam board have expressed the following regarding the use of their materials: *Do not share these resources outside of your classroom/virtual classroom. If you do need to give these files electronically to your students, please tell them not to share them. This includes uploading them on any website, social media platform or video sharing site. All materials are the property of AQA and sharing anything affecting live assessment could be considered malpractice.*

In addition, please do not share any images of your child's artwork online in anyway, so that we can be secure in authenticating any work as their own. Any breeches may fall under malpractice and jeopardize this and other public examinations for your child.

We want all our GCSE artists to do their best and we hope that with your support, they can achieve their full potential.

YEAR 7 BASKETBALL

The Year 7 basketball team have had a great start to their school basketball experience with two wins from their first two games. After a strong victory against Moor Park on Wednesday, 11 January, the team had a closer fought game against Archbishop Temple the following week. In this fixture the team trailed by an average of 4 points for the majority of the game, until Jack Fletcher and Patrick Taaffe quickly responded with excellent close-range shooting to regain parity with our opponents score. Jack then soon scored an excellent individual lay up to give Our

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Lady's a 2 point lead and we held on for the last couple of minutes to secure the victory 16-14. The team were ecstatic with the result and played incredibly well.

Dates to remember

Thursday, 26 January – Year 10 Parents' Evening

Thursday, 2 February – Year 8 Parents' Evening

Thursday, 9 February - Paris Trip

Friday, 10 February – School closes for half-term

Tuesday, 21 February – School opens

Thursday, 23 February – Year 9 Parents' Evening

Thursday, 23 March – Year 7 Parents' Evening