

Our Lady's Catholic High School



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Prayer Theme Next Week: Live life to the full (John 10:1-10)

Despite all the insults and pain, Jesus trusted in God the Father. He refused to retaliate when he was being humiliated and hurt. This was his way of being fully human. We are called to do the same. It is a difficult path, but when we allow ourselves to see the muddle and pain in others – and to show compassion - we share in a fully human experience with Jesus. Through loving others, we begin to realise that we are where we are meant to be and who we are meant to be. We set off on a journey to real joy and 'have life and have it to the full'. (John 10:10)



Dear Lord

Help us to seek and find joy in all that we do.

Show us that our compassion for others brings great joy to those we reach.

And that in doing so, we experience life to the full.

Amen

BOOO Virtues

Congratulations

Year 7: Mollie O'Grady
Attentive and discerning

Year 8: Jayden Beetham
Grateful and generous

Year 9: Mollie Hanley
Attentive and discerning

Year 10: Bruce Leeming
Curious and active

Year 11: Kayden Turner
Discerning and prophetic



Internal Exams

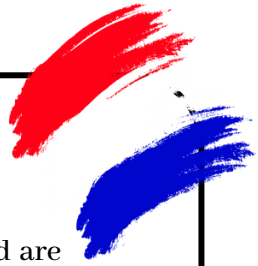
Our internal exams started on Monday 24th April. Well done to pupils on their organisation and preparation for these exams.

Having all the correct equipment and being on time for exams ensures our pupils have the best possible opportunity to shine in their exams.



Being One of Ours

Normandy News



Normandy Trip

The Year 8 pupils set off on Wednesday 26th April. They arrived in France yesterday and are enjoying the itinerary, weather and French culture.



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Design Technology News

Year 10: Young Enterprise Team

Congratulations to the Year 10, Young Enterprise Team (Seasonal Serenities) who were awarded the prize for 'Best Trade Stand' at the Lancashire final of the company competition held at UCLAN this week.

The team have successfully run their company throughout this school year, designing, making and selling a range of products to match the seasons. Although they were not selected to go through to the next stage of the competition, their performance at this week's final was outstanding. They were excellent ambassadors for our school, showing that they are 'one of ours'.

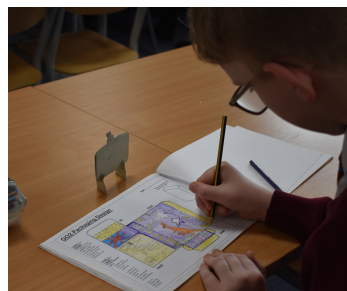


Year 8: Design and Technology - Photo Frames

Before Easter, Year 8 students were hard at work on their designs with Mr. Smith.

Pupils were tasked with designing a photo frame suitable for sale in a Zoo gift shop. Pupils used a variety of animals as inspiration for their designs.

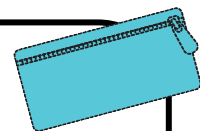
They also had to design the packaging for their frame too.



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Design and Enterprise News

Year 8: Textiles - Pencil Cases



Before Easter, Year 8 were focussed on completing their pencil cases with Mrs. Moss.

As part of this project, pupils have applied a variety of skills including; transferring a pattern to fabric, understanding seam allowance, attaching a zip and using the sewing machines to join fabric neatly. Pupils have worked really hard to produce a unique and useable pencil case of their own.



Year 8: The Entrepreneur Enterprise Competition

All Year 8 pupils will be taking part in The Entrepreneur Enterprise Competition in their Design & Technology lessons, which started on Monday 20th March. Pupils will be working in groups of three and will be given a £10 loan by OLCBS. The loans are repayable on 10th May 2023 for forms O, U & R and 11th May 2023 for 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 17th 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.



Sports News

Under 14 Girls' Football



Congratulations to the Under 14 girl's football team who beat Longridge in the semi final with a convincing score of 5-0. Fantastic play from all girls especially Evie Mitchell, who came out of goal to score a goal.

The team have now earned their place in the final at Deepdale on Tuesday 9th May.

We wish them the very best of luck.

Boxing News

A huge congratulations to Byron in Year 7, who won his first boxing fight in Liverpool over the Easter period.

Byron has been training hard for a number of months in order to be matched. Following a disappointing 'no-show' from a previous fighter, Byron was ecstatic to finally put all his hard work to the test.

An amazing result for Byron. Well done.



Football Academy

A huge congratulations to Holly in Year 8 who has secured her third year at Manchester United Football Academy.

This is a huge achievement for Holly and the culmination of hours of dedication and training.



Congratulations
3RD SEASON
CONTRACT OFFERED

Athletics News



A huge congratulations to Jemma McMaster in Year 7 who achieved some superb track results over the Easter Break :

Warrington on 15th April

- Gold in the 100m
- Silver in the 200m

Blackburn on 22nd April

- 1st place 100m
- 1st place 200m

Jemma has been invited to the Youth Development League for 75m and 150m.

Information

NSPCC: Listen Up Speak Up

The NSPCC have launched a ten minute training to give adults practical advice on what to do if they're concerned about a child. In January, this year, the Listen Up, Speak campaign was launched following a 14% increase in calls to their helpline about in-personal sexual abuse compared with the previous year.

If you would like to take part in the short online, training, please click the link:

www.nspcc.org.uk/support-us/listen-up-speak-up



Change Talks is a multi-award winning, health education service delivered by the Prevention and Engagement Team at Lancashire and South Cumbria Foundation Trust.


The team are running a series of workshops via Zoom for parents and carers, to support learning on different mental health topics, including a session on learning disabilities and autism.

For more information or to join a session visit lscft.nhs.uk/changetalks/workshops or scan the QR code



The City of Preston Annual


Corpus Christi Procession



at St Walburges' Shrine Church

Sunday 11th June 2023 at 2.00pm

All Parishioners and Parish groups, Schools, Colleges, Choirs, Uniformed organisations, Readers, Religious, Clergy, Catholic Organisations, Families, Children and especially, First Holy Communicants, are all invited to take part, on this special and important Feast Day, in this public act of Witness of our Faith.



Lancashire Adult Learning



CELEBRATE
KING CHARLES III'S
CORONATION

A FANTASTIC **FREE** EVENT
FOR ALL THE FAMILY

WEDNESDAY 3RD MAY, 16:30 - 18:30

Get the whole family excited for this historic day with **FUN** interactive craft activities. **Make your own crown and jewels so you can dress to impress on the day!**

 **FREE** resource pack posted to you in advance 

DON'T MISS OUT
Book your place today by scanning the QR code:

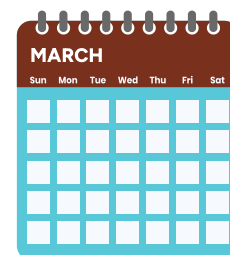


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Don't forget to tag us in your creations on social media!

Information

Dates for your Diary



- Monday, 1st May - School closed
- Monday, 8th May - School closed for the Coronation of King Charles III
- Monday, 8th May - Mental Health Awareness Week
- Wednesday, 10th May - Year 10 Geography field trip (Group 1)
- Wednesday, 10th May - Year 8, forms O, U & R: Young Enterprise loan repayment
- Thursday, 11th May - Year 10 Geography field trip (Group 2)
- Thursday, 11th May - Year 8, forms L, A & D: Young Enterprise loan repayment
- Friday, 12th May - Year 10 Geography field trip (Group 3)
- Monday, 22nd May - Year 10 Work Skills trip
- Friday, 26th May - School closes for half term holidays

Half Term

- Friday, 9th June - Duke of Edinburgh Bronze practice expedition
- Thursday, 15th - Sports' Day
- Tuesday, 27th June - Prefects' Ball
- Wednesday, 28th June - Shrek the Musical school production
- Thursday, 29th June - Shrek the Musical school production
- Thursday, 29th June - Year 6 Parents' Talk
- Friday, 30th Jun - Shrek the Musical school production
- Tuesday, 11th July - Sports' Presentation Evening
- Friday, 14th July - Rewards trip
- Friday, 21st July - School closes for the summer at 12:45pm

Current Vacancies

Our Ladys' Catholic High School

- Teacher of Geography - Closing date: Friday, 5th May
- Teacher of Design Technology - Closing date: Monday, 15th May
- Teacher of History - Closing date: Monday, 15th May

For the full details, please take a look at the school website and download an application form. The deadline for all applications is 12 noon on the dates shown above:

www.olchs.lancs.sch.uk/school/information/vacancies

Careers

Apprenticeship Opportunity

Preston Caravans and Motorhomes are a family run business and supply some of the UK's top brands of caravans and motorhomes. We're a friendly team, and many of our staff have 20+ years industry experience. Our apprenticeship scheme provides the environment and training for the next generation of Service & Maintenance Engineers. You will be fully trained in mechanical, electrical, gas, plumbing, heating and joinery by working alongside one of our expert engineers and experiencing the industry on manufacturer factory tours. Once these skills are attained PCM will provide access to a nationally recognised certification as below:

- *NCC Caravan Service Technician Award*
- *STGW Gas Training for Service Technicians Certificate*
- *NCC Electrical Test and Inspection Certificate*
- *First Aid qualification*

Only two places available for our unique apprenticeship, so apply now!



www.prestoncm.co.uk/apprentice

email: futures@prestoncm.co.uk

Apprenticeship Opportunity

**TONI&GUY
PRESTON**

Toni & Guy are currently recruiting for an artistic, talented individual who has the flair and ambition to be succeed. For more information about the position, please see the website.

Application forms are available at reception and should be handed in at the Preston salon in person.

www.toniandguy.com/careers/apprenticeships

Catholic Teaching Alliance



Secondary Teacher Training Information Event

PGCE with QTS courses available

Friday 5 May 2.30-3.30pm

The Training Centre, Our Lady's Catholic High School, Preston PR2 3SQ

For more information on our secondary PGCE with QTS
(Post Graduate Certificate in Education with Qualified Teacher Status)
courses in Preston and Blackburn

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CTAschooldirect@olchs.lancs.sch.uk or 01772 326931 to book



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Questionnaire Feedback

Attendance: 94.2%

Respondents: 100

YEAR 7 PARENTS' EVENING



Would you recommend this school to another parent?



Online or Face-to-face?



7%



90%



3%

1 DO WE KNOW YOUR CHILD AS AN INDIVIDUAL?
Very Satisfied or Satisfied **98%**

2 DO WE ENSURE YOUR CHILD IS SAFE?
Very Satisfied or Satisfied **97%**

3 DO WE MAKE PARENTS WELCOME AT SCHOOL?
Very Satisfied or Satisfied **99%**

4 DO WE DEAL WITH INSTANCES OF BULLYING EFFECTIVELY?
Very Satisfied or Satisfied **97%**

5 DO WE MAINTAIN HIGH STANDARDS OF UNIFORM?
Very Satisfied or Satisfied **100%**

6 DO WE ENSURE SCHOOL IS WELL-DISCIPLINED?
Very Satisfied or Satisfied **99%**

7 DO WE MAKE YOU AWARE OF WHAT YOUR CHILD WILL LEARN DURING THE YEAR?
Very Satisfied or Satisfied **95%**

8 DO WE PROVIDE CLASSWORK THAT CHALLENGE PUPILS?
Very Satisfied or Satisfied **98%**

9 DO WE MARK WORK AND OFFER GUIDANCE?
Very Satisfied or Satisfied **97%**

10 DO WE PRODUCE CLEAR, INFORMATIVE INTERIM REPORTS?
Very Satisfied or Satisfied **97%**

11 DO WE MAKE CLEAR WHAT HAS TO BE DONE TO IMPROVE?
Very Satisfied or Satisfied **96%**

12 DO WE OFFER A GOOD RANGE OF SUBJECTS TO YOUR CHILD?
Very Satisfied or Satisfied **99%**

13 DO WE SUPPORT YOUR CHILD'S WIDER PERSONAL DEVELOPMENT?
Very Satisfied or Satisfied **98%**

14 DO WE SUPPORT YOUR CHILD IN ORDER FOR THEM TO SUCCEED?
Very Satisfied or Satisfied **99%**



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