

Our Lady's Catholic High School

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Theme After The School Break: Corpus Christi (Mark 14:22-24)

This is my body; This is my blood

Jesus breaks the bread and shares the wine for the last time. He is about to leave his disciples. They will be his hands and feet from now on. When we hope to see God face to face, this simple meal has to be enough for us. Imagine a traveller who is seeking God but cannot find him. On a long journey, the traveller meets a poor family who have very little for themselves. They share their food with the traveller and talk. Through this simple, beautiful gesture, the traveller sees the presence of love that she has not experienced before. 'I have met with God', she says, 'It is enough for me.'

Dear Lord.

Christ has no body now on earth but yours;

Yours are the only hands with which he can do his work,

Yours are the only feet with which he can go about the world,

Yours are the only eyes through which his compassion can shine upon a troubled world.

Christ has no body now on earth but yours.

Amen. (St. Teresa of Avila)

BOOO Virtues

Congratulations go to:

Year 7: Brody Carr - intentional and prophetic

Year 8: Harry Dawson - attentive and curious

Year 9: Ella-Louise Sanderson - compassionate and loving

Year 10: Dominique Robertson Tones - compassionate and loving

Year 11: Zuzanna Stanko - learned and wise

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Year 8 Entrepreneur Competition

Congratulations to the winning Year 8 team 'Blissful Bubble Candles' who came first place in the final of the 2024 Entrepreneur Competition. Well done to all Year 8 pupils who have successfully taken part in this year's competition run through their Design & Technology lessons.

Pupils were given a £10 loan by OLCHS and were challenged to make as much profit as possible, setting up their own businesses.











3D Printing Challenge Workshop

On Friday 17th and Monday 20th May, two groups of Year 8 pupils took part in workshop activities provided by British Aerospace Engineering. OLCHS pupils were challenged to build a 3D printed rocket using the latest technology.

Afterwards, pupils test fired rockets on the school yard to see how the design worked.

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Tickets On Sale Now!

OUR LADY'S CATHOLIC HIGH SCHOOL

PRESENTS



SHOW TIME

JUNE 2024 AT 7.30PM

WEDNESDAY 26TH
THURSDAY 27TH
FRIDAY 28TH



Adult £10 Child £7







Information





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Parents of Year 11

We would like to take this opportunity to thank you and your children for their wonderful start to their GCSE examinations.

Our children have approached each warm up session and revision lesson with enthusiasm and commitment. We recognise all their hard work and hope they have a good rest over the half term break.

Below is a link which offers ideas and suggestions to help parents support their children through what can be a stressful time.

Parents' Guide to...

CLICK HERE

2024 Dates for your Diary



Friday 24 May - Half Term. School closes at 3pm Monday 3 June - All pupils return to school

Friday 7 June - Bronze DofE Weekend Friday 14 June - Year 10 Futures Day

OLCHS SOCIAL MEDIA







Celebrating 10 Years



Exciting Opportunity Train to Teach in Local Schools

Recruiting for September 2024 start

Established since 2014, the Catholic Teaching Alliance is celebrating 10 years as a teacher training provider.

Is teaching for you?

Minimum requirements for our teacher training courses are GCSEs in Maths and English (and Science for primary), plus an honours degree, class 2:2 or above.

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Website https://www.catholic-teachingalliance.org/pgce-courses.html

Sporting News

Lancashire Champions U14 Girls Football



Huge congratulations to the U14 Girls Football team who are Lancashire Champions!

We had never won this title but made the final 11 years ago.

Last night's match was a decisive 5-0 win for Our Lady's against worthy finalists Parklands High School of Chorley.

OLCHS goals scorers: Holly W (x4), Karley R (x1).

Mrs Lin and the whole of Our Lady's Catholic High School could not be prouder of the girls.

Mrs Lin would also like to thank all the staff, parents, family members, and pupils who attended the match.

Preston District Girls U15

On Tuesday evening, the Preston District U15 girls' team were victorious in their semi-final of the Lancashire Cup tie versus Blackburn and Darwen.

Within the squad of 15 girls, 7 of the players were from Our Lady's and are truly 'One of Ours', showing the strength and talent we have within our school.

The match was tied after full and extra time 1-1, so the result had to be determined by a penalty shootout, Preston schools winning 5-4 overall.



All five penalty takers for the district team were Our Lady's girls!

The final will be played at AFC Darwen on Tuesday 11th June, Kick-off at 7:30pm.

We wish our girls, and of course, the rest of the district team, the very best of luck!

Sporting News

Rotary Club Year 7 Football Tournament



The Year 7 football teams took part in the annual Rotary Club football tournament on Thursday 16th May, held at UCLan Sports Arena. The girls' and boys' team played some excellent football and went through the group stages with excellent records. The girls winning 3 and drawing 1 game while the boys won 4 and lost 1. This meant that both teams qualified for the quarter final rounds. The girls played two tough games in their quarter final mini league, narrowly losing 1-0 to Lytham St Anne's and drawing 0-0 with All Hallows, unfortunately this was not quite enough to see them qualify for the semi-finals but a great effort from all the girls. Connie R in goal made excellent close range saves while Scarlett A and Katie H defended tremendously well. The rest of the girls helped score some fantastic team goals in attack - Melody B, Amelia B, Olivia A, Rose B and Ellie J.



The boys team also had a tough quarter final mini league, losing 1-0 to Southlands and drawing 0-0 with St Augustine's. This resulted in a 5-minute play-off game against St Augustine's to determine who went through to the semi-final. This game went down to the final minute, and it was Our Lady's Zac B who successfully rounded the goalkeeper to slot home the winning goal. The semi-final game was against All Hallow's Catholic High School and the OLCHS team could not manage to find the same success as the previous game, unfortunately losing 2-0 but finishing joint third overall and receiving a bronze medal. Other members of the team included Sam S, Callum T, Jonah H, Oliver S, Jayden-Robinson C, Rio H-F and Jacob S.



Sporting News

Year 7 Cricket Tournament



The Year 7 and Year 8 cricket teams have played their indoor cricket tournaments in preparation for the outdoor season this summer. The Year 7 team beat both Eden Boys School and Moor Park to win their mini league while the Year 8 team lost out to both Longridge High School and Broughton High School in their miniteague. The indoor game is a fast-paced version of cricket with no need for padding, just quick thinking when batting and accurate bowling the main requirements.

The bowling attack from the Year 7 team was excellent, with Umika Patel, Himesh Patel, William Collins and Callum Tennant all bowling excellent deliveries to restrict their opponents to minimal runs. Yusuf Dasu and Nathaniel Billingsley were able score consistently with the bat, often gaining extra runs when running between the wickets. Other members of the successful team included Zac Baron, Thomas Beesley, Sam Nelson and Myles Jenkinson.

The Year 8 team had the difficult task of scoring runs against an excellent line up of bowlers from both Longridge and Broughton High Schools. Sam Walmsley managed to score a good handful of runs before being bowled out. Bobby Peace's bowling was consistently accurate while his batting also helped add quite a few runs to our total. However, it was the larger number of extra runs from no-balls and wides that were to be our downfall and so this will become our target to improve for next time. Other members of the Year 8 team included Awais Ali, Killian Jenkinson, Freddie Millington, Ben Barnes, Ben Martin, Patrick Taaffe and Tommy Butler.

Being One of Ours

Jayden Beetham and Michael Dignan have accomplished a double this season for grassroots football. They have won the Premier League and recently won the George Bamber Memorial Cup with their Sunday team, BAC U14's White.

This is a great achievement. Well done boys.

Being One of Ours

On Sunday 12th May 2024, Lee R, Harrison C and McKenzie G, faced Myerscough JFC in the Central Lancashire Premier League Cup final, with a 3-0 half time result, the final whistle blew with a 5-1 win to Longsands JFC.

Lee, Harrison and McKenzie, along with all their teammates from Longsands JFC U15s, were presented with the winner's trophy for a third year running.

Special thanks to all the pupils from Our Lady's that came to watch the two teams battle it out.

Now the battle is on to see if the boys can become League Champions, as they battle on the through the next three games left of the season. Can they do it for a second year?

Careers

BAE SYSTEMS

Work Experience

The application window for work experience placements has just opened at BAE Systems.

Please click the link below.

On the Work Experience webpage, simply scroll down and from the 'Preferred Business Unit' menu, select Air-Samlesbury 29th July – 2nd August for the 14 to 16 year old pupil placement.



Parents

Mrs Lin would like to make contact with any parents who are Radiographers, and those who are Heating Plumbing Engineers. Please contact Mrs Lin directly by email at **ZLI@olchs.lancs.sch.uk**

Year 10 Futures Day

On 14th June 2024 in school, Year 10 will have their Futures Day.

All Year 10 classes will be focused on CV creation, mock interview techniques and further opportunities available to them in Year 11.





Careers & Maths

What is it like to study maths at university?

When: Thu 30 May 7pm and Fri 31 May 5.30pm

Where / How to join: An online webinar hosted by Parallel - just head to <u>click here</u> when the time comes.

No registration needed but if you create a (free) Parallel account and log in, you will be able to interact via chat and polls.