



Our Lady's Catholic High School

A National Teaching School



Friday, 7 June 2019

Our prayer theme next week: Pentecost

Our theme this week is Pentecost. It is known as the birthday of the Church because this was the time when the disciples received the Holy Spirit and began to tell others about the Church for the first time after Jesus had gone to heaven.

Lord, send us your Holy Spirit to guide us each day. Give us all of the gifts of the Holy Spirit and inspire us to use them to help everyone. Fill our hearts with love so we will always serve others.

Amen.

ADVANCED NOTICE - YEAR 6 TRANSITION DAY – MONDAY, 1 JULY 2019

Our next year's Year 7 pupils will be joining us for a day in school on Monday, 1 July 2019. As is our practice, **Year 8 and 9** pupils are to remain home on that day. This will enable us to release teachers to work with the Year 6 pupils.

GLOBAL RECOGNITION

Congratulations to former pupil Zuleikha Chikh who has been selected as one of the most influential Muslim women in global sport. Zuleikha, who is in her final year of a BSc (Hons) in Sports Business Management at UCLAN, has joined 30 professional athletes, journalists, coaches and senior sports administrators on the Muslim Women in Sports Powerlist 2019. Well done Zuleikha!

NETBALL NEWS

The Year 7A and B teams have had an excellent season playing consistently well throughout. Consequently, the A team won the Preston Schools' netball league with 7B finishing runners up in their league. A huge congratulations goes to the following pupils in both teams:

A team - Millie Lonergan, Erin Blackburn, Ellie Wright, Millie Crossley, Holly Helm, Annie Rutherford and Chloe Evans.

B team - Mariyah Mal, Alicia Holmes, Sophie Johnson, Beth Moir, Lacie Ellis, Lucie Redman, Alyssia Rothwell and Grace Harris

The Year 8A team have had a mixed season with some tough matches against schools such as Longridge and Broughton. They finished a respectable fourth. The teams consists of Kelsey Corcoran, Millie Metcalf, Eden Turley, Millie Dixon, Freya Singleton, Tayla Finley, Faye Maguire and Ellie Sumner.

The B team played really well all season losing only one game to finish second overall in the Preston School's netball league. Congratulations go to Libby Earnshaw, Lucy Brown, Anna Thompson, Ella Kovakova, Cerys Ratcliff, Poppy Crossley, Katie Bell, Tallulah Hodson and Safaa Patel.

SPORTS DAY FIELD EVENT – RECORD BREAKERS

This week we had two school records broken:

- James Lupton 10L threw the discus 38.59m, breaking the previous record held by Shane Taylor that has stood for around 13 years, by approximately 5m! Congratulations to James who now holds many discus records at different age groups at Our Lady's and competes in the discus at national level.
- Angel Ojumobi won the year 8 girls discus and set a new school record with a throw of 19.36, beating the old record by 16cm.

YEAR 8 CRICKET

The Year 8 team played in the second round of the Lancashire Schools' Cricket Competition against St Peter's School, Bolton on Monday 3rd June. The game was played at the fantastic venue of Fulwood and Broughton Cricket Club and the weather was equally favourable. Our Lady's won the toss and decided to bat first. The team made only 43 runs off their 16 overs and this was due to some very strong bowling from our opponents, pinning the opening two batsmen of Adam Ball and Max Smith back towards their wickets. Both Adam and Max played some excellent shots, showing fine skill off their front foot, hitting boundaries into the cover and leg side of the wicket also. Unfortunately, both fell to fast bowlers and the run rate dropped significantly at this point. The remaining batsmen worked hard to defend their wicket but could not pick up many runs and they finished on 43. St Peter's began tentatively, and opening bowlers Adam Ball and Max Smith took some early wickets to give Our Lady's some confidence. Excellent fielding from Wesley Singh produced a run out while Ali Mehtajee and Ubaid Hansrod worked hard in deep fielding areas to prevent many boundaries. However, the batsmen managed to pick up enough runs to win the game with 5 wickets remaining and St Peter's progressed to the next round. Our Lady's will now look forwards to Preston Schools' games in weeks to come.

RUGBY NEWS

On Wednesday, 5 June, 12 Year 8 girls travelled to Preston Grasshoppers to participate in a touch rugby tournament. The session started with a workshop and introduction of rules, followed by competitive games with 6 schools being involved. OLCHS fielded two teams and played exceptional rugby, this was recognised by the coaches at the event. Both teams finished second overall in their section. Players included Anna Thompson, Ellie Sumner, Amelia Dixon, Freya Singleton, Millie Metcalf, Imogen Grant, Beth Elliot, Alica Scott, Annie Heaton, Olivia Gregson, Ala Chlodnicka and Libby Earnshaw. It was a very wet afternoon but this did not dampen the girls spirits. Well done to all involved.

Dates to remember

Thursday, 27 June – New Parents' Evening
Monday, 1 July – Year 6 induction day
Friday, 12 July – Rewards Trip to Blackpool Pleasure Beach
Tuesday, 16 July – Whole School Mass
Friday, 19 July – School closes for the end of term
Tuesday, 3 September – School opens for Year 7 pupils
Wednesday, 4 September – School opens for all pupils