Our Lady's Catholic High School

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The theme for next week is Chosen (John 1: 29 - 34)

"The man on whom you see the Spirit come down and rest is the one who is going to baptise with the Holy Spirit." I have seen and I am the witness that he is the Chosen One of God.' (John 1: 33-34)

We too have been chosen by God for a special purpose. But what is our purpose? Let us not worry too much about a grand plan or purpose in our lives. It is more meaningful to accept that we are chosen for something important. We are never overlooked by God. This purpose will come to light as we learn to listen to the Holy Spirit. We might not know much about the future, but we can be confident that God promises us amazing blessings, and that He has a plan for us.

Our Lord and our God,

Show us the way so that as we accomplish Your plan for us here on earth, that we may stick to the narrow path that will lead us to the Kingdom of Heaven.

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 |
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| Year 7 | Olivia Fryzowska | 7L | For being attentive and curious in lessons and compassionate towards others. |
| Year 8 | Liliana Rado Maja Rolik | 8D 8U | For being Curious and Active in trying out something new by joining Japanese club! |
| Year 9 | Mahad Rahman | 9L | For being attentive in lessons. |
| Year 10 | Liza Dickinson | 10D | For a wonderful presentation in preparation for her GCSE studies. Excellent work on being eloquent and truthful |
| Year 11 | Ruby Robinson | 11L | For being generous and kind, and helpful to a member of staff. |

EMAIL CONTACT

We value the importance of excellent communication with parents and carers and email can be a very efficient way to communicate. We ask parents to understand that a typical teacher will work with over 250 different pupils in a week, some far more. What is a quick message to write could easily be one of dozens of emails received by that teacher and they may be teaching throughout the day and have no opportunity to reply. We ask parents and carers to only email teachers for matters that are really important to you and to remember that it may take three days before the teacher is in a position to reply. Should you fail to get a response after three school days please re-send and copy the Learning Manager (pastoral issues) or Principal Teacher (curriculum issues) into the email. With thanks for your consideration and support.

PARKING AT ST ANTHONY'S ANNEXE

We have been asked by staff to advise parents/carers that the car park at St Anthony's Annexe is private, it is not for public use. Please remember to park respectfully.

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VACANCIES

We currently have the following vacancy, further details of which are available on the website:

• Learning Support Assistant – 27.7 hours per week, term-time only

NETBALL TRIP

On Wednesday, 11 January 35 pupils from years 7-11 went to watch the England Roses against Jamaica at the AO Arena in Manchester in the first of a three match netball series. The game was end to end and England were down by 10 goals in the first half. However, they ended up winning 73-52. It was a fantastic atmosphere, and all pupils had a great time.

TRAIN TO TEACH WITH THE CATHOLIC TEACHING ALLIANCE

Teacher Training courses available for September 2023 start date. Are you looking for a new challenge? Would you like a job where no two days are the same? Have you considered training to be a teacher?



If you, or somebody you know is, or soon to be, a graduate, the Catholic Teaching Alliance based in Lancashire is still accepting applications for our **1 year PGCE with QTS** (qualified teacher status) **teacher training courses** in the following phases:

- Early Primary (3-7 years in Preston or Burnley)
- General Primary (5-11 years in Preston or Burnley)
- Secondary (11-16 years in Preston or Blackburn)
- Secondary with post 16 (14-19 years in Preston)

Minimum requirements are GCSEs in Maths and English (and Science for primary training), plus an honours degree. Please contact us for further information, or to book onto one of our online information sessions, call 01772 326931 or email ctaschooldirect@olchs.lancs.sch.uk Website: www.catholic-teaching-alliance.org

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