

Our Lady's Catholic High School

Friday, 24 February 2023

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The theme for next week is Temptation. (Matthew 4: 1 – 11)

Man does not live on bread alone but on every word that comes from the mouth of God.

None of us should have to face the wilderness alone. Sometimes you may even feel lost or alone when you are surrounded by people. No one seems to understand what you are going through. Be reassured, God knows you better than you know yourself, and he loves you. During this time of Lent, let us make time to re-discover God's presence in our lives. Take some time to pray; to be silent with God and let Him speak to us in that silence. You may find that you are out of the wilderness and experience the peace of His presence.

A pure heart create for me, O God, put a steadfast spirit within me.

Do not cast me away from your presence, nor deprive me of your holy spirit. (Psalm 50)

Draw me close to you, oh Lord.

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
7	Ella Nagy	7R	For being Generous, Attentive and Curious during lessons at school. Huge well done Ella!
8	Sam Dean	8A	For being Prophetic and Intentional in wanting to help with being a review day runner
9	Ethan Taylor	9O	For being Active and Curious on the Outward Bound Adventure Trip
10	Liam Taylor	10A	For being Compassionate and Loving
11	Charlotte Coupe	11O	For being Learned and wise

GOODBYE

At the end of half-term we said goodbye to Miss Suzanne Saunders who has made the decision to retire. Miss Saunders taught science here at Our Lady's for 26 years and will be fondly remembered by all. We wish her well for the future and all that retirement holds.

WORLD BOOK DAY

World Book Day is fast-approaching, and it is anticipated to be a phenomenal event. Pupils are encouraged to come dressed to school as a character from a book. There are lots of prizes on offer for the best-dressed. Please encourage your child to get involved and Be One of Ours.

Please be aware of the following criteria:

- The costume must be easily distinguishable/ distinctive to the character;
- Hair colouring/ make-up/ jewellery etc are all allowed and encouraged, if in keeping with the character. The bigger, the better!
- Onesies are acceptable, if distinctive to the character;
- A copy of the book must be brought into school and be kept with the pupil for the duration of the day (order from local library or school library beforehand, if not owned).
- No revealing clothes i.e. midriff showing/strappy tops or short skirts to be worn;
- No inappropriate slogans/messages/images on any item of clothing;

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Pupils are not to simply wear their own recreational clothes (joggers and a hoody etc) and claim to be from a book. The character must be easily identifiable. Balaclavas are not allowed. Failure to adhere with the above will result in the pupil being sent home to change into school uniform. The very best of luck to all of those in fancy-dress for the heavily contested 'Best-dressed' award!

GYMNASTICS SUCCESS

Congratulations to Chloe Gildea who took part in a gymnastics competition with 70 other selected gymnast from other clubs across the North West. Chloe scored high on the 5 apparatus and was awarded 1st place in both Lancashire and the North West. Congratulations and well done Chloe!

FOOTBALL RESULT

The Year 9 football team made an excellent start to their campaign in the Preston Cup with a convincing 5-0 win over Moor Park High School on Wednesday, 22 February. Goals from Lee Reed, Josh Barritt, Finley Murray, Heidi Clark and Josh Jackson secured the victory, and they now face Archbishop Temple in the quarter-final.

Dates to remember

Thursday, 23 March – Year 7 Parents' Evening

Thursday, 6 April – School closes for Easter at 12.45 pm

Monday, 24 April – School opens

Wednesday, 26 April – Year 8 Normandy Trip

Monday, 1 May – School closed for May Day Bank Holiday

Monday, 8 May – School closed for the Coronation of King Charles III

Friday, 26 May – School closes for half-term holidays

Friday, 9 June – Sunday 11 June – Duke of Edinburgh Bronze Practice Expedition