# All Hallows Catholic High School

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**Dear Parents** 

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On Thursday of next week, 23 March 2017 at 6.00 p.m. in the Arts Theatre, there will be an evening for the parents of Year 11 pupils on the theme of helping your child to prepare for the forthcoming public examinations. During this evening Mr McMullen will be giving details of the ways in which we in school are going to prepare the pupils for the GCSE's. There will also be details given about the four weeks of exams in relation to how much time will be spent in school on revision tasks and we will also be giving a presentation about practical ways of helping the children to cope with what is clearly a demanding five week period.

The first written paper takes place on 15 May 2017 so on Friday 12 May 2017 the current timetable followed by students will cease and a new one will be put together. Details will be given on Thursday and we hope as many parents as possible will be able to attend this important event. A separate letter will be going out to Year 11 parents about this event early next week.

#### **All Hallows Ball**

There are still some tickets available for the All Hallows Ball and please see the advert at the end of this Newsletter.

# **Modern Languages Speaking Tests**

Please be aware that all Year 11 French pupils continue to have their Controlled **Speaking GCSE exams**. Each teacher will give their own class their specific dates. They should be revising all their paragraphs in order to reproduce them accurately from memory for this date. There are extra revisions sessions every Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday after school until 4.15 p.m. The Speaking along with the Writing exam constitutes 30% of their final exam. We would appreciate your support in ensuring that you son / daughter do their best to learn their work.

#### **London Marathon**

Our Deputy Head, Mr McMullen, will be running the London Marathon in April to raise money for Galloway's Society for the Blind. This is a very worthy local cause, helping people to cope with the effects of visual impairment and give them greater independence. Mr McMullen would be very grateful if you would consider sponsoring him for the Marathon. He has set up a Virgin Giving page which can be visited at: <a href="http://uk.virginmoneygiving.com/BenMcMullen1">http://uk.virginmoneygiving.com/BenMcMullen1</a> Thank you.

# PTFA 200 Club

The March winners are First Prize £40 No.104 J Joyce, Second Prize £20 No.33 M Lynch and Third Prize £10 No.1 Clare McCrory. Membership is £10 for the year and the form can be found on the website <a href="http://www.allhallows.lancs.sch.uk/parent-information/ptfa/">http://www.allhallows.lancs.sch.uk/parent-information/ptfa/</a>



"Growing together in the spirit of Christ's love"

# **Gymnastics Report**

A big well done to Eva Jeens, Jenny Briscoe, Hannah Gray and Freya Abrams who represented the North West at the National Gymnastics Finals in Stoke. All the girls performed on floor and vault and ended with a trio routine. The team didn't place in the top three but the standard of gymnastics was extremely high. The girls were absolutely fantastic and performed exceptionally well in all three areas and were a credit to themselves and the school. The four girls have trained since September, up to three times a week in preparation for the North West Competition and then for a further three weeks for the National Finals. So a lot of hard work, time commitment and dedication go into competing at this standard. Well done girls!

# **East Africa Famine Crisis**

The Disasters Emergency Committee, of which CAFOD is a member, has launched the East Africa Crisis Appeal to provide urgent supplies to the 16 million people facing severe hunger in South Sudan, Somalia, Ethiopia and Kenya. CAFOD is encouraging schools to support this cause alongside their Lent appeal, therefore CAFOD will use some of the money raised by this year's non-uniform day to support the DEC East Africa Crisis Appeal. For more information please visit CAFOD's website: <a href="www.cafod.org.uk">www.cafod.org.uk</a> Thank you to pupils and families for your generosity.

# **Collective Worship**

Our Collective Worship theme next week is **PRAYER**. Please see the Worship & Prayer section of the school website for next week's prayer sheet.

#### **Million Minutes**

On Monday we will welcome to school Stephen Davies, founder of our Lenten charity, Million Minutes. He will be speaking to Year 11 in their SMSC lesson about the work of Million Minutes, how they try to empower disadvantaged young people by giving them a voice, and about how we can explore the role of silence in our lives.

#### **Celebrating Saint Margaret Clitherow**

On Friday of next week all Margaret forms will gather in the Arts Theatre to celebrate the life and spirituality of their form patron, St. Margaret Clitherow. We will be joined at this special assembly by our guest speaker Caroline Hull from Aid to the Church in Need, who will speak to us about the situation faced by persecuted Christians around the world today.

# **Sacrament of Reconciliation**

Following the popularity of last year's 'Pop-up Confessional', next week sees the beginning of 'Carpool Confessions' here in school. Fr. Philip Inch, our Parish priest, and other local clergy will offer to hear confessions each lunchtime in the school minibus parked on the yard! In this season of Lent we hope this will be a powerful sign of the mercy and forgiveness of God, which reaches out to meet us wherever we are...even if we are outside playing football! Please keep this initiative in your prayers.

# WEEKEND MASS TIMES IN OUR LOCAL PARISHES

# **Saturday**

17:00 St Oswald's, Longton

17:35 St Wilfrid's, Preston

18:30 St Teresa's, Penwortham

# **Sunday**

**08:30** St Mary Magdalen's, Penwortham (Latin Mass)

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09:30 St Teresa's, Penwortham

**11:00** St Mary Magdalen's, Penwortham

**16:30** St Wilfrid's, Preston

# **School Meals**

Menus for the week commencing Monday 20 March 2017. Salads £1.75 – £2.50, Potatoes 65p, Baked Beans 65p, Soup 80p.

**Monday:** Homemade Meatballs in a Rich Tomato Sauce served with Pasta and Garlic

Bread £1.95. Oven Baked Breaded Chicken Fillet in a Bap with Salad £1.70.

Potato Wedges smothered in Cheese & Mushrooms £1.55.

**Salad:** Ham & Pickle £1.75. **Soup:** Mushroom 80p.

Tuesday: Chicken Tikka Masala served with Rice & Naan Bread £1.95. Cottage Pie &

Vegetables £1.95. Quorn Sweet Potato Curry served with Rice & Naan

Bread £1.70.

Salad: Sweet Chilli Chicken £1.75.

Soup: Leek & Potato 80p.

Wednesday: Homemade Minced Steak & Vegetable Pie served with Mashed Potato and

Vegetables £1.95. Maple & Sweet Chilli Chicken Wrap served with Coleslaw

& Salad £1.70. Mozzarella & Cherry Tomato Tartlet £1.55.

Salad: Feta Cheese and Olives £1.75.

Soup: Lentil & Bacon 80p.

**Thursday:** Traditional Steak & Kidney Pudding served with Chips, Vegetables & Gravy

£1.95. Cajun Butterflied Chicken Breast served with Chips & Vegetables £1.95. Homemade Macaroni Cheese £1.55. **CHIPS 73p (May only be** 

purchased with another product).

Salad: Prawns with a Marie-Rose Sauce £2.50.

Soup: Tomato & Basil 80p.

Friday: Salmon & Broccoli Pasta Bake served with Vegetables £1.95. Smothered

Chicken served with Wedges & Vegetables £1.95. Tomato & Basil Pasta

Bake £1.55.

**Salad:** Tuna Nicoise £1.75. **Soup:** Vegetable 80p.

Each day a selection of freshly prepared Sandwiches, Wraps, Hot & Cold Paninis, Salads, Jacket Potatoes, Pasta Pots & Pizza will be available. For any special requests, please see a member of our highly trained Catering Team.

(All items are subject to availability)

# **FOOD ALLERGIES AND INTOLERANCES**

IF YOU HAVE ANY CONCERNS, PLEASE SPEAK TO A MEMBER OF OUR CATERING TEAM. ALSO, PLEASE BE AWARE ALL OUR FOOD PRODUCTS MAY CONTAIN TRACES OF NUTS.

Yours sincerely

Mr C J Riding Headteacher

