

# All Hallows Catholic High School

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Dear Parents

## **Newsletter No. 39 – 21 July 2017**

As we come to the end of another busy school year 2016/2017, it is time to say farewell to a number of our colleagues: Mr Gornall, Mrs Jackson and Mrs Marsden have been in school at different times this year helping out with particular classes in areas of our school and we would like to thank all of them for their hard work as their contracts come to an end.

Suzanne Schofield has been our Attendance Officer for the last three years, working on a part-time basis to improve the attendance of our pupils. She is moving on to a permanent post in a school in Blackburn and we thank her for the work she has done and wish her every success in the future.

The other staff leaving are as follows:

- Mr Hodgson who has been teaching Technology here for the last year is moving on in September.
- Dan Antonio, our Chaplain, who has been with us for two years, is going to have a change of career and training to become a teacher.
- Mr Carroll has worked for three years in the English Department and as Assistant Head of Year 7 and he is moving to a promoted post in Leyland from September.
- Mr Osborne is retiring after 11 years as a TA3 covering for absent colleagues and doing a great deal of work across all departments in the school.

We then come to four teachers who have been with us a long time and who have made a fantastic contribution to many generations of pupils at All Hallows, all of whom are retiring in the summer:

- Mrs Forbes who has worked for 21 years in the English Department.
- Mrs Hansen who has worked for 23 years in the PE Department.
- Mrs Sleeman who has worked for 29 years as a Modern Foreign Languages Teacher and most recently as a Learning Manager of Year 11.
- Mrs Osborne who has worked for 34 years at All Hallows, teaching Languages and working as a Head of Year.

To these four colleagues, for all their years' service, and to everybody who is leaving the school in the summer, we say a huge thank you for everything they have done on behalf of our pupils. To those colleagues who are retiring we hope that their retirements will be long and happy ones and that they will leave All Hallows with very happy memories of many years' service to our community.



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We hope that everybody will have a really enjoyable summer holiday and that all pupils will be ready to return to us on Wednesday 6 September 2017. In our first Newsletter of next year we will be highlighting the newcomers to our staff.

If production deadlines are met, your child should have come home on Friday 21 July 2017 with the End of Year Newsletter detailing the many events that have taken place in school over the last year. We hope that you will find this an enjoyable account of life at All Hallows in 2016/2017.

### **PTFA Summer Raffle**

1<sup>st</sup> Prize – Caitlin Hall (£50), 2<sup>nd</sup> Prize – Lesley Hull (£25), 3<sup>rd</sup> Prize – Jeremy Pardon (Wine & Chocolates).

### **200 Club Membership**

Many thanks to the members of the 200 Club who raised £600 during the 2016/2017 year. Renewal forms and invitations for new members will be sent out during September 2017.

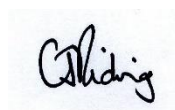
### **Duke of Edinburgh**

We have had a record number of applications from current Year 9 pupils to begin the Duke of Edinburgh Bronze Awards Scheme in September. A decision will be made in September as to whether we will be running one or two groups. Pupils will all be informed in the new school year and this will be dependent on us training up more staff to be able to take part in the weekend activities. Further information will follow in the new school year.

### **Lourdes Pilgrimage**

On Thursday of next week the Archdiocese of Liverpool pilgrimage leaves for Lourdes, France. Every year around 500 young people travel to the famous Marian shrine from all over our Archdiocese to serve the sick and assisted pilgrims, to deepen their own spirituality, and to enjoy time with friends old and new. This year we have 3 members of staff and many past pupils on the pilgrimage. You can join the pilgrimage from your own home by watching the Lourdes webcam: <https://www.lourdes-france.org/en/tv-lourdes> Please keep the pilgrimage in your prayers throughout the week.

Yours sincerely



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