

All Hallows

Catholic High School

Newsletter

27th January 2023



Dear Parents/Guardians,

Our collective worship theme of the week this week has been Holocaust Memorial Day. The 27th January is a day on which we remember the millions of people murdered during the Holocaust, under Nazi persecution and in the genocides which followed in Cambodia, Rwanda, Bosnia, and Darfur. As staff and pupils we have spent time in prayer this week reflecting on these atrocities, the sacredness of every human life and committing ourselves to stand against prejudice and hatred today to ensure that atrocities like this never happen again. During the week their assembly and form time prayer has inspired pupils to pray, create posters and create a video to help others to pray on Holocaust Memorial Day.

Below is a link to our prayer video using the prayer written by the Council of Christians and Jews (CCJ). This video was commended by the CCJ who were particularly moved by seeing the pupils reading the words of their prayer.

If you would like to view the prayer video, please click here

For the last two weeks our Year 11 pupils have been completing their mock examinations. They have responded to the challenge extremely well, by being well organised and arriving to each exam with a positive attitude. I hope it has given them a good insight into the work that is required over the next few months.

It has also been wonderful to see so many pupils involved in our retreat programme. Our Year 8 pupils have been to Castlerigg in Keswick and one of the three groups of Year 9 pupils have been to Savio House in Bollington. They have all come back to school with a renewed enthusiasm to contribute to the life of school and their community.

Yours faithfully,

Alison Cooper
Headteacher

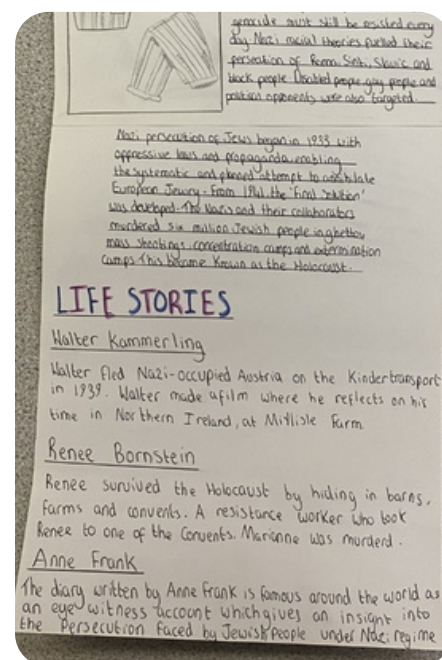
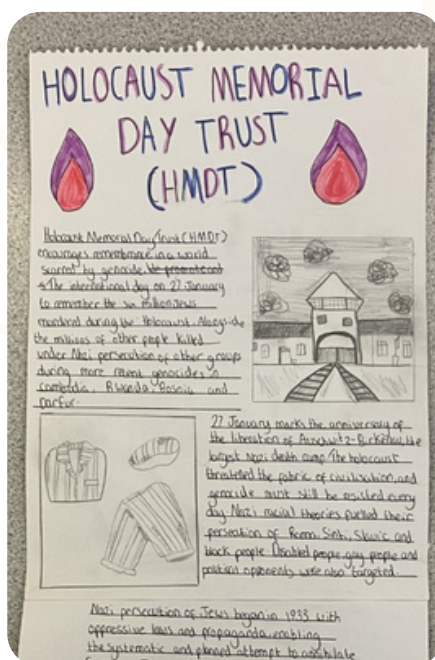


U14s & U16s Netball.

On Saturday 14th January, the U14s and U16s netball teams took part in the National Schools Lancashire Netball Tournament at Darwen Vale High School. Both teams braved some very wet and windy weather for their first few games before the sun finally came out! The U14s secured two solid victories over AKS and Scarsbrick School, coming 3rd place in the tournament. The under 16s faced some tough opposition, just losing out by a few goals in all of their matches. It was a great morning of netball with some strong team spirit and resilience shown by all the girls. Well done!



U14s & U16s Netball



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

KEY EVENTS

★ **Savio House** - Our Year 9's continue their spiritual journey out at Savio House this coming week. Thank you to all who have taken part in the retreat programme so far. We look forward to another two Savio House retreats and we cannot wait to share some photos in the next newsletter.

★ **Year 8 Parents Evening** - A reminder to parents/carers of our Year 8 cohort to book onto the School Cloud as soon as the gateway is open for Parents Evening on 2nd February 2023



★ **Frozen JR 06/02 & 09/02** - Tickets are still available to purchase at £10 a ticket, with Tuesday's performance filling up fast and plenty availability for Monday's showing. To request tickets either in person or via your child, please send in cash for the correct amount or cheque.

Knitting/Crochet Appeal.

Again, we appeal to parents, carers, family members and any other students who can knit or crochet to help us out! We have chosen this amazing charity, "Knit a Square" (website underneath) who provides blankets for orphans in South Africa to embark on our first big project. A blanket requires approx 35 squares and as we can't do it all by ourselves we're looking to you!

Instructions on how to knit the squares (measurements etc.) are on the website and I would suggest that any finished squares are handed into the languages office by Easter.

Knitting Club at All Hallows meet on Tuesdays at 1 pm in room 19 (the upstairs languages area). Some of us are total beginners and some have come with a little bit of experience.

all welcome!

<https://knit-a-square.com/knit-a-square-south-africa/>

Year 8 Castlerigg Retreat .

Last weekend the second group of Year 8's travelled to Castlerigg Manor in Keswick for their retreat weekend. The theme of their retreat was GROWTH. During the retreat they explored this theme and reflected on how they have grown so far and how they can go on to grow in their lives and in their faith.

The weekend included lots of activities and games, a walk in the beautiful lake district and times of prayer in the Castlerigg chapel. It was a pleasure to welcome Fr Ian, parish priest from St Teresa's and St Mary Magdalen's on the Saturday night to say Mass for us. Thank you to him and Fr Michael who celebrated the Mass at Castlerigg with our first group back in December.

Both groups had a wonderful time on retreat with their friends and teachers. One year 8 pupil Olivia said: "I really enjoyed the retreat and being able to spend time with my friends. It also helped me to step out of my comfort zone and meet new people." Another Year 8 pupil Emily said: "The retreat gave me a chance to connect with God and with other people. I had a great time."

Thank you to all the staff who accompanied the two groups and to the Castlerigg team for preparing and leading our groups through their retreat.

PENWORTHAM CRICKET CLUB U10 U11 U13 WINTER TRAINING



U10s Y3&4 SOFTBALL

U11s Y5&6 U13 Y7&8 HARDBALL

When - Sundays 5pm till 6pm

Starts 29th January for 10 weeks

Where - Lukeys Cricket Academy

PR1 5LH

Cost - £35



For further information and to book please email penworthamccjuniors@gmail.com



Castlerigg

North West Regional FutureChef Final.

On Wednesday 11th January, Alfie took part in the North West Regional FutureChef Final. He was there representing Lancashire & Cumbria and was up against competitors from Manchester and Liverpool. The day was incredibly demanding, all competitors had to prepare their workspaces, cook and deliver 2 main courses and 2 desserts within 90 minutes. This was all whilst being observed by the team of judges. The judges all have illustrious careers in the food industry, representing their companies across the UK and the world. Alfie was prepared for the event by his mentor chef Stephen Woodward and we were lucky that he was able to be there on the day to support him. We thank him for his support.

Once the intense 90 minutes were complete, the judges deliberated over the dishes and chose their winner. Alfie delivered 2 plates of Sticky Korean Chicken with Vegetable Gyoza and 2 plates of Alfiecini - arancini balls filled with white chocolate, mango and passionfruit, served with a raspberry coulis. Unfortunately Alfie did not make it to the National Final this year but it was a fantastic experience for him and will be invaluable to him when working on his GCSE Food Preparation & Nutrition Course.

Thank you to Mrs Caw and a massive congratulations Alfie well done!

Future

Chef

Alfie



LATEST NEWS

★ If you would like to apply for the role of an exam invigilator for the upcoming summer exam series or know if a parent or carer is interested in applying, in the first instance please contact our Exams Officer, Mrs Nicholson

mni@allhallows.lancs.sch.uk

We would be grateful if you could please pass on the information regarding the role to friends and family who may be interested in exploring the opportunity.

★ A reminder about uniforms. Please ensure that girl's skirts are the appropriate length. Sanctions will be issued if the skirt is not worn in line with the school policy.

FFT
National School Attendance Award
2022/23 Autumn Term
★★★★★
All Hallows Catholic High
Top 10% of all FFT Secondary Schools in England

Science Club.

A new Key Stage 3 Science club started on Wednesday 7th December 2022. It is run by Mrs Pitt and Mrs Burns and supported by our Science technician Mrs. Simm.

We have had a number of successful sessions so far. These have included making a parachute for a snowman, chromatography Christmas cards, hand warmers, bird feeders and rafts.

If you would like to come and join us. We meet

Every Wednesday at 3:15pm to 4pm in Lab 32.

All year 7, 8 and 9 are welcome.



Science

Club

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

Primary Maths Challenge

This week Mrs Walsh, had the pleasure of visiting one of our feeder primary schools, St Mary Magdalens, to present some of their Year 6 pupils with some prizes. As a school, we have always been extremely dedicated to building strong relationships with our feeder primary schools and aim to engage our wider school community in all aspects of our school life and curriculum. Earlier this academic year, we held a Primary Maths Challenge here at All Hallows' and invited all of our feeder primary schools to attend. The event was a huge success, with all the Year 6 pupils showing superb logic, team-work and problem-solving skills. St Mary Magdalen's had a hugely successful evening, with both of their groups finishing in the top 2 spots! Well done to all pupils and thank you to all the staff, parents and our own Year 10 pupils who helped to make the night such a great success.

We will be visiting all the primary schools again in the next fortnight for the NSPCC Number Day Roadshow, so I look forward to seeing some of our challenge competitors again, and meeting even more of the Year 6 pupils.



New 714 Bus Route

RETIMING OF SERVICE 714

LOSTOCK HALL – PENWORTHAM ALL HALLOWS RCHS

From the 30 January 2023, Service 714 will operate to a revised timetable to enable the service to operate more reliably.

Please see revised timetable below:

LOSTOCK HALL Irongate	0810
LOSTOCK HALL British Legion	0815
PENWORTHAM Bridge Inn	0825
PENWORTHAM All Hallows R.C.H.S.	0835

Route Description:

From Lostock Hall Irongate via Browndedge Road, Leyland Road, A59, Liverpool Road, Central Drive, Birch Avenue and Crabtree Avenue to Penwortham All Hallows RC High School.
Please note the 714 service will serve all stops along route.

Passengers are advised to be at their stop 5 minutes before the bus is due and signal clearly to the driver by putting their hand out.



All Hallows' Twitter Account.

We are now active on Twitter and if you would like to give us a follow our Twitter handle is:



@AllHallowsCHS