

All Hallows

Catholic High School

Newsletter

12 May 2023



Dear Parents/Guardians,

This has been a busy week at school! Year 10 students have completed their examination period. Staff have been very impressed by the way in which the students approached their exams. They took them very seriously and their behaviour in the examination hall was excellent throughout. It has proved to be a valuable experience for the students: helping them to get used to the way in which formal exams will run for them next year.

Year 11 students finish their normal timetable today and move on to a new programme of revision classes built around their GCSE examinations. Staff are keen to deliver revision classes as close to the exam as possible and are sacrificing their non-contact time to give extra support to the students. The first examination for Year 11 is Religious Studies on Monday morning and their exam period ends on 21st June. It will feel like a mountain to climb for them, and there will be some challenging days ahead, but we will be doing everything we can to support them through this period. The words of St. Paul are particularly appropriate at this time:

"Do you work willingly, as though you were serving the Lord himself, and not just your earthly master.

In fact, the Lord Christ is the one you are really serving, and you know he will reward you."

To mark the end of their normal timetable, we celebrated a very special Year 11 Mass in the Arts Theatre today. Father Michael Barrett, Parish Priest of St. Oswald's, led us in this celebration. It proved to be a very moving and prayerful occasion for Year 11 and their Year Team of staff.

In other news we have been delighted by the successes in football over the past week or so. Years 7, 8 and 11 have all won their South Ribble District Cup tournaments! Congratulations to the teams and the PE Department!

Yours,

Ben McMullen
Deputy Headteacher

Healthy Life Style Week

Plans are well underway with Mrs Caw for Healthy Lifestyle Week (12th - 16th June 2023) who has already secured some amazing donations and gifts for prizes. However, she still requires some help and would really appreciate the following;

1. Donations of breakfast cereal such as shreddies, cheerios, rice krispies, cornflakes, multigrain shapes (and all of their cheaper counterparts!) These are the cereals that tend to get eaten.
2. Contacts in any of the local supermarkets (apart from Booths who have already donated) or an organisation/company that would be willing to donate a small prize, some goods or even their time e.g. yoga session etc.

Please email Mrs Caw at jra@allhallows.lancs.sch.uk

Year 7 Netball

well done!

Well done to the Year 7 netball team who finished in a very respectful 4th place in the South Ribble District netball tournament, narrowly missing out on being runners up by 1 point. All the girls played extremely well and have made so much progress as a team in their first year together.



CyberFirst Free Course Year 10, 11 & 12 - Smallpeice Trust

Your chance to learn more about Cyber Security.

NCSC's CyberFirst courses - led by the National Cyber Security Centre, a part of GCHQ, CyberFirst is a programme of opportunities to help young people explore their passion for tech by introducing them to the fast paced world of cyber security.

Are you enthusiastic about technology and interested in exploring and expanding what you know about staying safe online? Attending the online CyberFirst Defenders (Year 10), the online CyberFirst Futures (Year 11) or the residential CyberFirst Advanced (Year 12) course could be just the thing to develop essential skills and bring a fresh purpose to your summer break. You'll learn all kinds of practical insights into digital safety and how everyday technology really works. Course content will be delivered in our usual fun and interesting way, and you'll get to meet lots of like-minded students.

Please visit the website below to read more, apply and see if you are able to secure a fully funded place.

www.smallpeicetrust.org.uk/cyberfirst

THANK YOU!

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EEP Lego Robotics Regional Competition 2023

On Wednesday 3rd May, 10 Year 7 pupils got the opportunity to put their hard work from the year so far into practice. They attended the regional competition at Preston College alongside 7 other schools from as far away as the Lake District and Manchester. During the day the team had to work together to complete a number of table top challenges that they had designed, built and programmed a robot to complete. They also delivered a wonderful presentation on an engineering idea for the future, for which they had designed and made a 3D prototype. Their final challenge was to work as a team to build the slowest marble rollercoaster they could using a small number of items such as paper plates and paper cups – this provided a great deal of entertainment and laughs. Sadly the team did not make it to the National Final on this occasion but they have worked fantastically well for a few months in order to make the progress they did. Well done everyone.



Are you eligible for 50% off swimming, gym sessions, squash, badminton and tennis?

Find out more at southribbleleisure.com

South Ribble Leisure Card

As part of our Healthy Lifestyle Week in June (12th–16th) we are very lucky to have been given an amazing opportunity for every pupil in school to apply for a South Ribble Leisure Card. Usually the card costs £3 but we will be able to apply for them for FREE. As part of this offer each person that signs up will also get the opportunity to have access to a tennis court for an hour for free for themselves and their families to use. Equipment can also be provided if required. The tennis court offer will be available from 12th June until the 3rd of September 2023.

Application forms will be available from next week and will be distributed to all pupils. The deadline for receiving completed application forms is Friday 26th May.

The card will be available to be used from 12th June onwards, for further information

[please click here for link](#)

Does your family include a child or young person with SEND?

You are invited to attend a drop-in **Information Event** in your local area

SEND Information Events for Parents and Carers

Fun activities for children will be available – everyone welcome!

The Park Child and Family centre, Norfolk Grove, Accrington, BB5 4RY.
Tuesday 16th May, 10am – 2pm.

Twinkle House, 2 Gorsey Place, Skelmersdale, WN8 9UP.
Wednesday 7th June, 10am – 2pm

SEND Family Fun and Information Events

Clitheroe Football Club, Shawbridge, Pendle Road, Clitheroe, BB7 1LZ.
Wednesday 28th June, 10am – 2pm.

West Paddock Youth Zone, West Paddock, Leyland, PR25 1HR.
Monday 17th July, 10am – 2pm



- Find out what's on offer in your local area
- Understand what services are available
- Discover local support groups
- Refreshments will be provided

Representatives from the following services will be available at some or all of the events:

- Lancashire Parent Carer Forum
 - Break Time
 - Inclusion Service
 - Specialist Teaching Service
 - Lancashire Local Offer
 - Designated Clinical Officer Service
 - POWAR youth voice group
 - SEND Information, Advice and Support Team
 - FIND Newsletter
 - Young people's groups
 - Transitions
- Plus local service providers, support groups and lots more!

Between August 2022 and July 2023, we are planning 24 events, to take place in all districts of Lancashire. Further dates will be shared on the Local Offer website and facebook page.

www.lancashire.gov.uk/SEND www.facebook.com/LancashireLocalOffer





University of
Central Lancashire
UCLan

Free event
(meals included)
Make friends. Build confidence.
Find out what University is like.

Get Ahead summer school

25-28 July 2023 (10am-6pm), UCLan Preston Campus

Get Ahead at UCLan

An exciting opportunity for current Year 11 and 12 students who want to experience a taste of university life. Come and join us at our free University Experience Week event and gain valuable skills in study techniques, team working, leadership skills, problem solving and much more. With lots of different practical and fun activities over four days, these events will empower you, introduce you to Higher Education (HE), and give you an insight into university life.

Here's an idea of what you can expect:

Communication Skills Workshop

Aims to help young people show up and show out in life's biggest situations. Expect mad energy, big moments and to step out of your comfort zones.

Adrenaline-filled activity day

Challenge yourself, try something new and improve your leadership skills at our outdoor activity day. From canoeing to archery, it's not one to be missed!

Life as a student

Experience a day in the life of a university student, with a wide range of activities designed to give you a real idea of what being a student is like.

Wellbeing

Finish off the week with a day packed with workshops tailored to looking after your wellbeing. Practice your cooking skills or wind down with some mindfulness activities.



Who can take part?

We are keen that this programme reaches the right pupils. We have limited places available so it will be first come first served if you meet the below criteria. UCLan is offering this summer school as part of our effort to widen participation in higher education. As such, we are required to work with certain groups of pupils. The pupils who take part in this programme must be from one of the following groups:

•Live in a low HE-participation neighbourhood (POLAR4 Q1 or Q2) Check here: Search by postcode - **Office for Students**

•Live in an area of high deprivation (IMD D1-4) Check here: English indices of deprivation 2019: Postcode Lookup **opendatacommunities.org**

- Eligible for pupil premium
- Would be the first in their immediate family to go to university
- Looked after children or care-leavers
- Have caring responsibilities
- Forced migrants
- Have a disability
- Gypsy Roma Traveller background
- Are from a military family

[Click here to book your place](https://uclan.onlinesurveys.ac.uk/uclan-get-ahead-summer-school-programme-2023-year-11-and-12)

Or visit <https://uclan.onlinesurveys.ac.uk/uclan-get-ahead-summer-school-programme-2023-year-11-and-12>

All Hallows Footballers Do The Triple

Over the last seven days All Hallows has seen huge success in the South Ribble Football Cup Finals, winning the trophy for Year 7, Year 8 and Year 11! The finals were a fantastic display of footballing talent, highlighting the sporting ability of our pupils.

The Year 7 team overcame a strong team from Balshaws to win 3-1, whilst the Year 8s beat Brownedge St Mary's 4-0. The Year 11 team played Priory in a hard fought match, winning 3-1 after conceding an early goal.

Congratulations to all the players involved, you gave an excellent account of yourselves and the whole school community is proud of you.

CONGRATULATIONS!



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Dear Parents/carers,

UNIFORM – SCHOOL SKIRTS

We have been in contact with our uniform suppliers at Justs in Penwortham and online at Trutex and they have informed us that the supply issues in relation to our uniform and in particular the supply of skirts, are now resolved.

We have always been very proud of how our students wear their uniform and the support that you have given us as parents in maintaining our high standards.

Covid and supply issues have meant that some girls in school are not wearing their skirts to the length outlined in our uniform policy. The length of the skirt should be so that the bottom of the hem touches the centre of the knee cap. Please see below.



After the May bank holiday we expect all girls to be wearing their skirt in line with our uniform policy, to the length shown above. We have ordered a supply of longer skirts from Justs and will be asking students to wear those until they have sourced a longer skirt.

Thank you for your continued support in helping us to maintain our high standards.

Yours sincerely,

Mrs A Cooper
Headteacher



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