

All Hallows

Catholic High School

Newsletter

16 November 2023



Dear Parents/Guardians,

This week has seen the season of autumn in full swing with showers and strong winds affecting breaks and lunchtimes. It is at this time of year we remember those in our community who have given their lives so that we may experience the freedoms we do today. Several staff watched our pupils reverently read the names of the fallen at our local cenotaph on Sunday and two senior students laid the All Hallows wreath in their memory. We also remembered members of families and community that we have lost in parish masses throughout November. I attended the mass at St Teresa's Church on Tuesday where the All Hallows Community Choir supported the congregation with beautiful hymns and moments of reflection.

As we approach Advent and the Christmas season, we have lots of exciting events happening in school. Please take time to read the newsletter to see if you can assist and support us in these upcoming events. We are particularly looking for raffle prizes for the PTFA Christmas raffle and on the 5th December we will have our Christmas concert. We would love as many parents as possible to attend the event. We have our version of a Christmas market taking place before the concert and during the interval. Tickets are now on sale. If you would like to run a stall or activity at this event, please contact the school office. We are not charging for stalls but any donations to the PTFA from any profits would be warmly appreciated.

As usual our pupils have been active in sport, STEM activities and charity work. We have a community presence and our opportunities for student leadership are continuing to grow. After Christmas we are launching a new rewards scheme which we hope will incentivise and provide opportunities for many more of our students to be recognised for their good work and initiative.

Yours faithfully,

Alison Cooper
Headteacher



Guild of St Stephen

Huge Congratulations go out to John Dickin in Year 9 who has been enrolled into the Guild of St Stephen. This is an award given to altar servers for embodying 'the highest standards' of serving at Mass. John started his school life at St Oswald's Catholic Primary School and later became an altar server at St Oswald's Catholic Church next door, where he has served for 5 years. He was surprised and delighted when Fr Michael gave him this award on 5th November and received a huge round of applause from the 8.30am congregation whom he serves. We are so proud of John for living our Catholic Mission of service to others.

Remembrance Day

On Sunday 12th November, four members of our Year 11 student leadership team represented the school at the Remembrance Service at Penwortham War Memorial. Joel and Evelyn read out the Names of the Fallen, to honour those who had lost their lives in the First and Second World Wars, and Harry and Erin laid a memorial wreath at the cenotaph on behalf of the All Hallows community. Many other members of our school community were also involved in the service, with church groups, scouts, guides and other community groups all represented. It was lovely to see so many pupils, past pupils, parents, staff and friends of the school in attendance. The service was incredibly moving and all of the pupils involved were a credit to the school. A number of All Hallows pupils were also involved in remembrance services across the local area and are to be congratulated on their significant contributions to such important events.



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

Mental Elf 2023 FESTIVE FUN RUN

Be a part of the county's best festive fun run experience and support people living with a mental health condition in Lancashire.

Witton Park, Blackburn
Sunday 3rd December
10am-2.30pm

- Tickets start from just £7
- 2k, 5k and 10k elf distances
- Surprise festive boosts at every kilometer
- Bespoke elf medal



Find out more via this QR code or visit www.lancashiremind.org.uk:

All funds raised will support better mental health support & services for people living and working in Lancashire.



SPAR JAMES HALL & CO
ESTD 1862
Registered charity
number 1081427



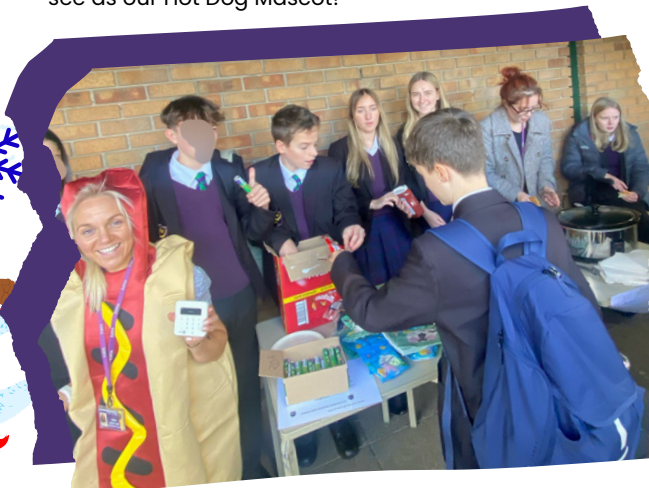
New Addition to PTFA

This year we have welcomed in a new cohort of parents and teachers to our PTFA.

We made a great start to the academic year with a super successful Halloween disco for Years 7 and 8. A huge thank you to all the staff, especially the Year 7 team, and PTFA volunteers who helped us raise over £500.

The following Friday, Mrs Walsh was supported by staff and pupils in selling some "Bonfire Bangers". This raised an additional £120 for the PTFA.

A special thanks to Miss Cooper who surprised Mrs Walsh with a special hot dog outfit to wear - Pupils are all excited to make this a monthly event and are already discussing which teacher they would like to see as our Hot Dog Mascot!



Children and Family Wellbeing Service

DELIVERING EARLY HELP

Children and Family
Wellbeing
Service



WEST PADDOCK
FAMILY HUB
AND SHEDS
SOUTH RIBBLE



What's on guide



South Ribble CFW
All our groups are free

Sept—Dec 2023

Lancashire
County Council



www.lancashire.gov.uk

U16 Girls Netball

Well done to the U16 girls netball team who played in the Lancashire Schools Netball tournament at Stonyhurst on Tuesday 9th November. It was a round robin tournament where the girls played 10 matches in total in very wet and sunny conditions! All the girls who were a mix of year 9, 10 and 11 did our school proud and finished in 5th place overall.



Light Up A Life 2023

Dedicate a light on our Tree of Light as a gift for someone who may be away from home this Christmas, or in memory of a loved one.

Please use this link, if you are interested.



New Longton ~ Youth on Stage Charity Group Proudly Presents



ALICE IN WONDERLAND

~Raising money for Brain Tumour Treatment~

~ New Longton Village Hall ~

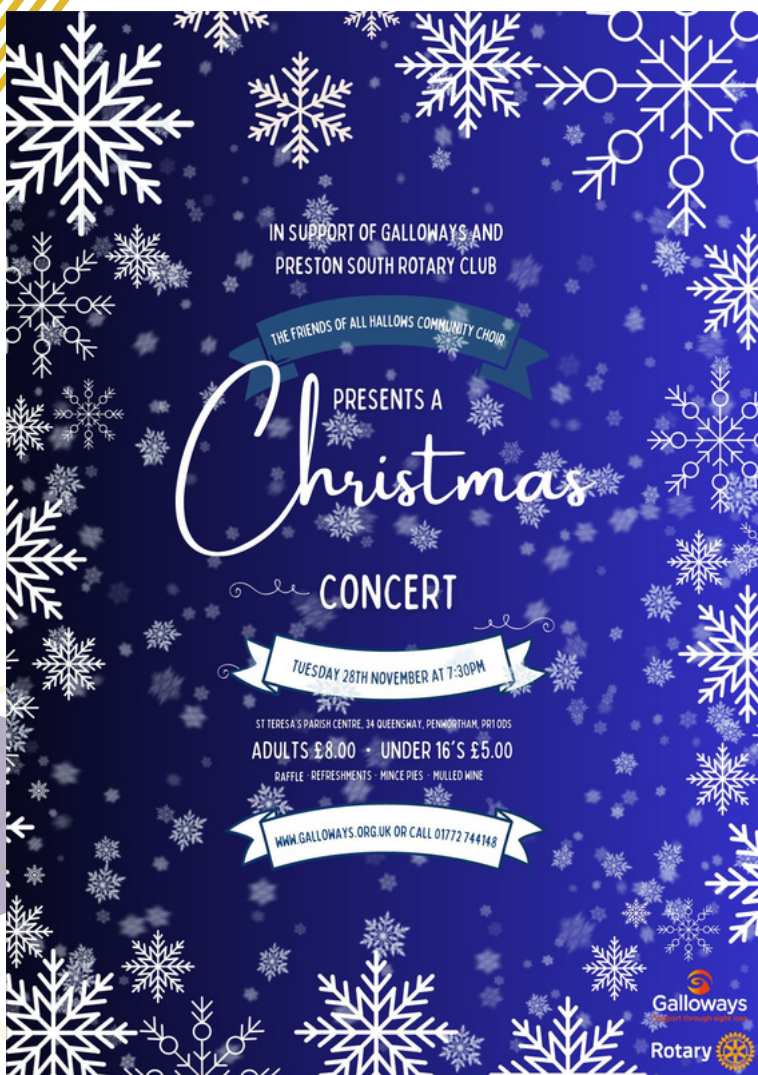
Thursday 14th Dec 7pm - Friday 15th Dec 7pm
and Saturday 16th Dec 2pm and 7pm

Tickets: £10 Adult, £5 children
Box Office: 07779022986

Year 7 Girls Football.

Congratulations

To our Year 7 Girls football team who were runners up in the South Ribble District 7 a side football tournament held at Leyland St Mary's on 9th November. The girls played extremely well as a team in their first ever football tournament in very cold conditions! Well done girls! Player of the tournament was GK Alannah who made some fantastic saves and kept our goal difference high which was the deciding factor in getting runners up.



IN SUPPORT OF GALLOWAYS AND PRESTON SOUTH ROTARY CLUB

THE FRIENDS OF ALL HALLOWS COMMUNITY CHOIR

PRESENTS A

Christmas

CONCERT

TUESDAY 28TH NOVEMBER AT 7:30PM

ST TERESA'S PARISH CENTRE, 34 QUEENSWAY, PENMORRHAM, PR1 0DS

ADULTS £8.00 - UNDER 16'S £5.00

RAFFLE - REFRESHMENTS - MINCE PIES - MULLED WINE

WWW.GALLOWAYS.ORG.UK OR CALL 01773 744148

Galloways Rotary

Catholic Lancs Youth



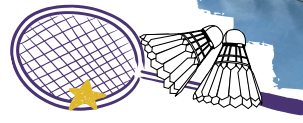
This youth club is free to attend but we would ask that you register your child so we have an idea of numbers. For more information please email Kate (school chaplain) on kwi@allhallows.lancs.sch.uk or follow the group's Instagram or Facebook page by searching @catholiclancsyouth.

To register please complete the google form.

U14 Girls Badminton

Well done to our U14 girls badminton teams who played in the South Ribble District Tournament held at All Hallows on Monday 6th November. Both teams played amazing and finished in first place and third place.

Well done to Amarah, Renae, Jessica and Isla who were the winning team.



All About STEM Competition - Winners of the Inter Category



A huge congratulations to Charlie and Oliver in Year 9 for winning the All About STEM Competition in their age category! When they were in Year 8 pupils were tasked with designing a piece of technology that would support an athlete or help someone to improve their fitness and we had an amazing array of ideas. Several entries were sent into the All About STEM Competition last year and we were absolutely delighted to find out that Charlie and Oliver won the whole competition with their design 'Robot Buddy'. The judges loved their design and both pupils received fantastic prizes including a framed certificate, a £25 Amazon voucher each and some sweet treats! Well done boys. Watch out for this year's competition being launched soon.



Faraday Challenge

On Tuesday 7th November, 18 Year 8 pupils took part in a local heat of the Faraday Challenge here at school, along with pupils from Wellfield and Leyland St Mary's. The challenge, which has the same task set across the country, is hosted by the Institute of Engineering and Technology. We were very lucky to have the heat delivered by Helen and Sue from STEMFirst along with 4 super helpful STEM Ambassadors from companies such as BAE Systems: Steve, Adam, Keith and Richard. Whilst we cannot reveal the details of the competition, due to other heats being completed across the country, we can safely say that the challenging theme really tested the pupils creativity, teamwork and problem solving skills. After a full day of activities the judges scored the ideas and there were only 6 points in it. Well done to Wellfield who managed to grab a place on the Faraday leaderboard and well done to all of the pupils who took part as all of the ideas were fantastic.

ALL HALLOWS CATHOLIC HIGH SCHOOL

PRESENTS:-

A Christmas Celebration



FEATURING OUR CHOIRS,
INSTRUMENTALISTS AND DANCERS.

TUESDAY 5TH DECEMBER

SEASONAL REFRESHMENTS SERVED FROM 6PM

AND DURING THE INTERVAL

CONCERT STARTS AT 7PM

Christmas stalls and food will be located in the senior dining room. Ticket price includes either a Bratwurst Sausage, seasonal drink of Gluhwein or a hot chocolate.

TICKETS £6.00

CHRISTMAS IN THE QUAD

05 DEC 23

6PM

BRATWURST SAUSAGES
SEASONAL DRINKS

MARKET STALLS

**IF YOU OR KNOW OF ANYONE INTERESTED IN HAVING A STALL FOR
THIS EVENT, PLEASE CONTACT THE SCHOOL OFFICE.**

*THE PTFA WILL ALSO BE RUNNING THEIR ANNUAL CHRISTMAS
RAFFLE. IF ANYONE OR ANY COMPANIES WOULD BE ABLE TO
DONATE A PRIZE FOR THE RAFFLE THEN THIS WOULD BE
GRATEFULLY RECEIVED.*

*THE PTFA UNDERTAKE GREAT WORK TO RAISE FUNDS FOR OUR
SCHOOL.*

PLEASE DO SUPPORT THEM IF YOU CAN.



St Mary Magdalen's Festival Mass

St Mary Magdalen's Church in Penwortham recently hosted a festival Mass in honour of the feast of St Vincent de Paul, the inspiration and namesake of the Society of Saint Vincent de Paul (SVP).

Parishioners and SVP members came together for this Mass, celebrated by parish priest Fr Ian McPartland, who was assisted by Deacon John Sargent.

Also in attendance was the National President of SVP, Elaine Heyworth, who gave an address. Tim O'Brien, President of St. Mary Magdalen's and St. Teresa's Conference, expressed his gratitude, saying, "Elaine Heyworth's presence and words added a special significance to our celebration, emphasising the impact of our collective efforts."

A highlight of the Mass was the active participation of the students from All Hallows Catholic High School's Youth SVP Conference. They not only read during the Mass but also gave a presentation on the rich history of the SVP, from its inception to its arrival in Penwortham in 1965. Their engaging storytelling and heartfelt involvement brought the legacy of the SVP to life for everyone present.

Following the Mass, the celebration continued in the church hall, where parishioners enjoyed tea, coffee, cakes, and biscuits. The students from All Hallows, under the guidance of Headteacher Mrs. Allison Cooper and music teacher Mrs. Lavinia Colclough, took the stage to provide live music for guests to enjoy.

Tim commented, "Everyone seemed to really enjoy themselves. A real community atmosphere prevailed throughout the day, which has promoted the thought of possibly making this an annual festival celebration!"



Jewish Museum Trip

We visited the Manchester Jewish Museum this week. We were in good spirits on the bus journey there and were amazed when we reached our destination – the building was huge. We got inside and had a look around the synagogue. We got to examine all the main features like the Bimah, the Ark, the Torah Scrolls, the Menorah and the Ner Tamid. We were allowed to try on the prayer shawl and the kippah and we got to film a documentary about the synagogue and the items inside it with our group.

We got told about a lady called Helen who had lived during WW2. We saw some of the items that she took with her when she was fleeing the horrors of the Holocaust and settled in England. We got an insight into how the community lived during the war as we saw a ration book. The ration book didn't have bacon on it but instead the owner got extra cheese as bacon is not a kosher food.

We spent time in the learning studio and got to handle the Shofar horn that welcomes in the Jewish New Year (Rosh Hashanah). We got to handle tefillin and a mezuzah that were over a hundred years old. We had a great day and learned so much.

Phoebe and Charlotte



You are invited to St Mary's Catholic High School and All Hallows Catholic High School

CAREERS FAIR

LET US HELP BUILD YOUR FUTURE

A great opportunity for students and parents to meet and get advice from teachers, colleges and representatives from various professions.



WEDNESDAY 22ND
NOVEMBER 2023



FROM 4.00PM
UNTIL 6.00 PM



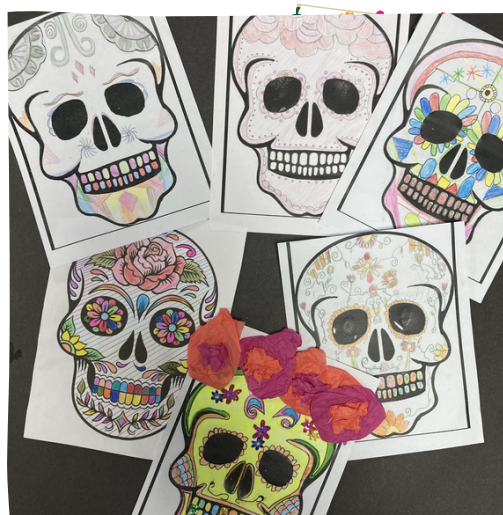
CRABTREE AVE,
PENWORTHAM, PR1 0LN



Organised and
hosted by:



Local colleges and training providers will also be
attending to answer any questions.



Día de Muertos with Year 7

This month year 7 learned about the Mexican tradition of Día de Muertos and designed their own skull masks. Here is some of their work!



Year 8 Football

The Year 8 Boys Football team have had an excellent start to the season and are unbeaten so far. They are currently sitting at the top of the South Ribble League after an excellent win over Brownedge St Mary's, which saw a 'Man of the Match' performance by Charlie who scored a double hat-trick!

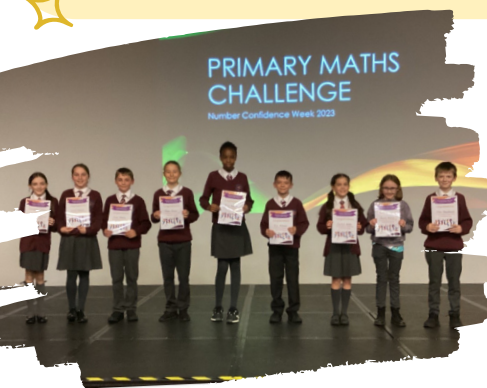


well★done



Interfaith Week 2023

This week, as part of Interfaith Week, Mrs Dasu and Ibraheem (Y8 pupil) have been sharing their faith during chapel time. They shared how they pray as Muslims and a prayer they pray every day, The Fatiha (The Opening Prayer) is very similar to the Our Father, in its theme, structure and usage. Ibraheem beautifully recited the prayer in Arabic and Mrs Dasu explained the importance of the prayer, inviting us to think about the words and our own intentions for our prayer. Thank you to Mrs Dasu and Ibraheem for leading a thoughtful and informative time of prayer this week.



Primary Maths Challenge

Last week we hosted a Primary Maths Challenge for our four feeder primary schools. The event was organised to celebrate National Numeracy week; a week dedicated to raising confidence and aspirations in numeracy. The challenge focused on decision making, teamwork and creativity; using numeracy and logic effectively to gain the most points. The event was a huge success, with all the Year 6 pupils showing superb enthusiasm, initiative and problem-solving skills. St Mary Magdalen's had a hugely successful evening, with both of their groups finishing in the top 3 spots! St Gerard's B Team came in 2nd place. Well done to all pupils and thank you to all the staff, parents and our own Year 11 pupils who helped to make the night such a great success.



MATHS

Badminton Success

Congratulations to the U16 Boys Badminton team who won the South Ribble District Tournament last week. They overcame a very strong Hutton team in the final after qualifying through the group stages. Well done to the boys involved!



Girls South Ribble District Football Teams

Congratulations to all the girls in Years 7-10 who trialed for the South Ribble District Football Teams at U13s and U15s. The feedback received from the coaches was that the standard of girls football was at the highest level they have ever seen. A special mention goes to those girls who were successful on selection. These pupils are Libby-May in Year 7, Imogen and Eva in Year 8, Ruby in Year 9, and Konya, Anna, Natasha and Amy in Year 10. Well done girls and good luck.



Performing Arts Dates For The Diary

Sun 10 Nov

SVP Christmas Dinner at St Teresa's Y10 and Y11 SVP pupils to support.

Sat 16 Dec

All Hallows Performing Arts pupils supporting Galloways Christmas Grotto at St Georges Centre

Mon 18 Dec

Christmas Roadshow to the Primary schools