# All Hallows Catholic High School Newsletter 01 March 2024



Today is a sad day for All Hallows as it is the funeral of a past member of staff Marcella Varey. The Varey family will be known to many members of our school community as both herself and her husband Richard taught for many years at All Hallows. All three of her children attended the school and as a school community we will be keeping Marcella and all her family in our thoughts and prayers.

During Lent we have been trying to include fasting, prayer and charity work in our daily activities. Non-uniform day, Year 7 sponge the teacher and many more activities have already raised over £2000 for CAFOD and I would like to draw your attention to the BIG LENT WALK due to take place on Saturday 23rd March. This is for families to join our school and our feeder primary schools in walking together to raise money and be a witness to our faith during this Lenten season. We would really appreciate families joining us at this event.

As a result of a review of our safeguarding policy, I need to inform parents/carers that they can only come onto the school site if they have a booked appointment. This means that if you come to school to collect or drop off your child or an item they have forgotten, you will need to remain outside the school's green gates. I am sure you understand why this is necessary in order to keep all our staff and pupils safe.

As usual, the newsletter is full of wonderful achievements and enrichment opportunities and I thank the staff for going the extra mile to ensure that our pupils have such wonderful opportunities to shine.

Yours faithfully,

Alison Cooper **Headteacher** 



#### **Invigilator Role**

We have a number of vacancies for invigilators this coming Summer. If you would like further information, or would like to express your interest, please email Mrs Nicholson, our Examinations Officer at MNI@allhallows.lancs.sch.uk



#### **Dates to Remember**

- >>> 4th STEM Month begins
- >>> 11th Reconciliation week
- >>> 22nd Reports sent home for all years
- >>> 25th Year 9 Options form deadline
- >>> 28th Easter Assemblies School closes for Easter Holidays at 1:30pm

#### **Art Commendations**

Each month Mrs Cooper celebrates the work of a chosen group of pupils with the 'Headteachers Commendation Award'. They are selected for their excellent efforts and achievement in a specific subject area. As recognition for their hard work, they are presented with a certificate, receive positive reward points and join Mrs Cooper for a well-deserved 'Brunch at Break'.

In February, the following pupils received the award for Art:

- Eden N Year 7
- Marie S Year 7
- Nicole A Year 8
- Maia S Year 8
- Erin D Year 9
- Rosana W Year 9
- Klaudia M Year 10
- Anna P Year 10
- Esmee B Year 11
- Evelyn L Year 11

#### Year 10 Basketball Team

The boys were in action recently at the South Ribble District Tournament. They put in some great performances and came runners-up overall.





#### Year 10 Netball

Well done to our Year 10 Netball team who were Runners Up in the South Ribble District Tournament on Monday. The girls all played fantastic and should be proud of this achievement, convincingly winning 6 out of 7 matches!





The boys trained hard on a cold, wet and muddy night, in preparation for our first ever Rugby Union match against Hutton Grammar next

week!



Well done to the U13 Girls Cricket team who played in the North Indoor Cricket Finals at Bolton Arena on Tuesday. The girls drew a tough group, but improved in every game and did the school proud narrowly missing out on a place in the National Finals. Well done girls!



#### Year 11's Handball Team

The boys took part in the district competition earlier this week, with some extremely close games against Priory and Balshaws. They were eventually crowned overall winners after a fantastic comeback against Balshaws where they won the game 7 – 6. Congratulations to all the boys involved.



## Entries to the Chorley 2k Family Run & Chorley 10k

Enter the Chorley 2k Family Run and be cheered on by spectators in the beautiful Astley Park and cross the finish line in Chorley Town Centre. Suitable for children aged four and above and their families, there will also be entertainment, a runners village and some perks for medal holders. Entry is just £6.50.

If you're feeling more energetic, the Chorley 10K registration is also open for everyone aged 15 or above.

For more information, please follow this link.



#### **Biggest Ever Football Session**

On Friday 8th March 2024, the Biggest Ever Football Session is happening and what an incredible way to celebrate International Women's Day at school.

If you would like to participate, please head to Synergy or see Miss Goodwin to express your interest.





#### Synergy Reminder

At All Hallows we are now utilising the Synergy platform a little more extensively than we have done in the past. For ease, the app can be downloaded or you may choose to use the desktop version. Moving forward, this will allow a streamlined gateway for parents/carers to get in touch with school.

You will be able to inform us of your child's absence, get in touch with the Headteacher, message a member of staff as well as notifying us of any

appointments your child may have, as any lates without prior knowledge of any appointment may result in a late detention.

Please allow a realistic response time for replies, namely teachers, as they may not see your messages instantly. Your child's absence/appointments must be reported on a daily basis unless there has been an agreed arrangement with a member of staff.







#### **STEM Month**

March sees the beginning of STEM Month and there are lots of activities planned. Pupils in STEM will be completing ideas for an electric charging vehicle using the Spike Prime Lego Robots, a number of Year 7's will get the opportunity to complete a Discovery Crest Award completing the Blast Off to RIAT challenge, pupils will also take part in the Rubber Band Car Challenge. British Science Week also takes place and there will be competitions, form time challenges and more to enhance the pupils' knowledge of STEM. Watch out for more updates coming soon.

In connection with STEM Month, the following competition Build for Birds is open until the 5th March, please see the entry pack for more details.





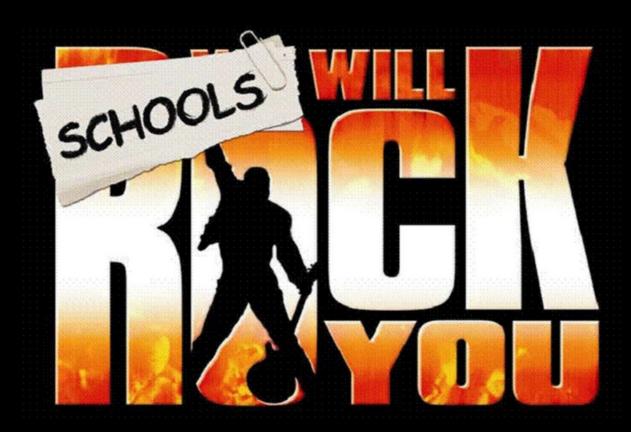


# SATURDAY 23rd MARCH 2024 At St Oswald's Catholic Church, Longton

10:30am Meet at St Oswald's Catholic Church, Longton. (parking available). 11am Walk leaves for St Teresa's Catholic Church, Penwortham. 12:15pm Approx. Arrival at St Teresa's for a community picnic (bring your own) 2:30pm Approx. Arrival at St Oswald's. Ending with a short time of prayer.



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