



All Hallows

Catholic High School

Newsletter

14th November 2025

Dear Parents/Guardians,

As we move through November, a month in which the Church invites us to pause, remember, and pray for loved ones who have gone before us, in the hope of eternal life. Our Remembrance Day service was a truly moving occasion. I was immensely proud of our pupils whose readings, music, and respectful participation helped us honour the sacrifices made by so many. Their maturity and compassion were evident throughout, reminding us of the importance of remembering and learning from the past. We also celebrated our Year 11 Certificate Evening—a wonderful opportunity to recognise the hard work, resilience, and achievements of our students. Their accomplishments are a testament not only to their determination but also to the dedication of our staff, whose ongoing commitment continues to inspire and support our young people every day. As we approach the end of the Catholic Church's liturgical year, may this season of remembrance strengthen our sense of community and hope.

Yours faithfully,

Alison Cooper

Headteacher



Staff Vacancies

We are seeking dedicated and passionate individuals to join our team. Please click on the link below to view our current vacancies.
<https://www.allhallows.lancs.sch.uk/school/information/vacancies/>

Commemorating Remembrance: Pupils Honour the Fallen



On Sunday 9th November, our Head Boy, John, and Head Girl, Ruby, proudly represented All Hallows at the Remembrance Sunday Service in Penwortham. Alongside pupils from other local high schools, they laid a wreath on behalf of All Hallows to honour the fallen. During the service, John and Ruby also read out the names of some of the soldiers from Penwortham who lost their lives during World War One. In addition to John and Ruby, several pupils from All Hallows, including members of the Scouts, as well as parents and staff, attended and participated in the ceremony. Many pupils across the school also took part in Remembrance Sunday services in Penwortham and the surrounding areas. Year 7 pupil Edward took part in the Remembrance Mass and Service at St Oswald's, Longton. We extend our thanks to Richard from Penwortham Town Council for preparing John and Ruby, and to everyone involved in the upkeep of our local memorial. Well done to all who took part in this important act of remembrance. We will remember them.



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Honouring Remembrance: A School Community's Act of Reflection and Peace

On Tuesday, pupils and staff took part in a Remembrance service in the Arts Theatre which was beamed live to pupils in all classrooms. The school community paused together to remember, honour and pray for all those who gave their lives in war and conflict, defending peace, justice and freedom.

Many pupils and staff wore their uniforms, representing the Army Cadets, RAF Cadets and various Scout and Girl Guide groups. Pupils read an opening prayer and a reading from the book of Isaiah, both focusing on how we can become instruments of peace in our world. The Gospel reading focused on Jesus' Greatest Commandment, to 'love one another as I have love you'. Following this the poem 'In Flanders Fields' was read by our Y11 representatives.

Two minutes of silence across the school followed the playing of 'The Last Post' and the laying of the poppy wreath by our uniformed pupils and staff. The reading of 'The Soldier' by Rupert Brooke, proved a poignant moment, before the closing prayer reminded us all to go from here as people of peace.

All week pupils have been remembering loved ones that they have lost in their daily prayer times. They have written names of loved ones on cut-out leaves which have been hung on the Remembrance Tree in the school foyer. This has proven to be a lovely way of remembering those we have loved and lost in this month of remembrance.



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What is Youth SVP?

Youth SVP is an invitation for young people aged 11-18 to come and join our Vincentian family. Worldwide our mission is to tackle poverty in all its forms by providing practical assistance to people in need. The St Vincent de Paul Society was founded thanks to a young student who walked through the poorest streets of his community on his way to university lectures each day. The poverty he came across inspired him to be the change and make a difference to those around him in need. Today the SVP works in communities around the world to continue this legacy. With a formula of 'See, Think, Do' groups of young members meet in schools and parishes across England & Wales to discuss and put into action support for the people around them. Youth SVP members use their creativity, resources and energy to engage in their school and parish communities and take part in social action. Through voluntary work, Youth SVP members not only make a difference, but learn new skills and build lasting friendships.

Helping Hands: Supporting Our Community Through the SVP Food Store

Did you know that our school's SVP group runs a Food Store to help those in need within our community? Every day, people across the UK face hunger due to various reasons, from low income to unexpected bills. A simple box of food can make a big difference, helping to prevent crime, homelessness, family breakdowns, and mental health issues. As a caring Christian community, we are called to respond to these needs. Jesus reminds us, "Whenever you did it for the least of your brothers and sisters, you did it for me."

How Does the Food Store Work?

The food store is located next to the Junior Dining Room and is open daily for the Youth SVP pupils to take donations from 8:30am to 8:40am. The SVP group then organises the distribution of items to the local community through charities such as the Metanoia Project, and Churches Together (Penwortham Food Bank).

Items needed this month

- Shampoo
- Conditioner
- Deodorant
- Toothpaste
- Face Flannels
- Tinned Chopped Tomatoes
- Tinned Beans
- Cooking Oil
- Tomato Ketchup
- Vinegar
- Kidney Beans
- Tinned Tuna
- Tinned Corned Beef
- Blankets
- Trainers
- Sleeping Bags
- Ruck Sacks



"Well done to our Year 10 pupils for their incredible generosity and donations to the foodbank, with special thanks to Mrs. Walsh and her team for their dedication and support – your kindness makes a real difference!"

How Can I Help?

If you're interested in supporting the All Hallows Food Bank through the SVP Food Store, please speak to Mrs. Colclough or a member of the SVP group. Every little contribution helps make a difference in someone's life. Let's continue to show kindness and support within our school and community!

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Celebrating Community and Talent: Youth SVP Concert.



On Tuesday 11th November, at St Teresa's, our Youth SVP organised a wonderful concert to raise funds for the Christmas dinner for local parishioners. Pupils from all year groups took part, showcasing their talents through a variety of performances alongside the adult community choir. Additionally, pupils enthusiastically sold raffle tickets to help support the Youth SVP's charitable efforts. The performances were of an exceptionally high standard, demonstrating the dedication and talent of our students. Everyone involved contributed to making the event a great success, and their efforts were truly deserving of the standing ovation they received.

A special mention must go to Mrs Colclough for her organisation and dedication in coordinating the event, ensuring everything ran smoothly and successfully. The concert not only highlighted the incredible talent of our pupils but also emphasised the spirit of community and giving that is so important during this festive season. We are very proud of all those who participated and helped make the occasion a memorable one.



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Celebrating Our Talented Footballers: Lancashire U16s Selection



Congratulations to Conor M, Tom A, Finn D, and Oliwier C in Year 11 who have been selected to represent Lancashire U16s in the county football squad. This is a tremendous achievement, especially considering the highly competitive nature of the selection process. Being chosen to represent Lancashire at this level is a testament to their talent, dedication, and hard work both on and off the pitch. We are all extremely proud of their success and the commitment they have shown to their sport. This is a fantastic opportunity for these talented young athletes to develop their skills further and gain valuable experience at a higher level of competition. Well done to all four boys – we wish them the very best as they embark on this exciting new chapter in their footballing journey!

Support Our School Sports Teams: Sponsorship Opportunities Available

The PE Department is seeking sponsorship support from the school community to help fund kits for our sports teams. We are looking for local companies or individuals willing to sponsor kits for our Rugby, Basketball, and Athletics teams.

This is a great opportunity to show your support for school sports and help our students succeed. Sponsoring a team promotes community involvement and boosts pride and achievement among our young athletes. If you are interested in supporting our sports programmes, please contact Mr Tynan via email at dtynan@allhallows.lancs.sch.uk. Your support could make a real difference to our students' sporting ambitions!

Outstanding Performance: Boys' Football Team Maintains Perfect League Record



Well done to the Year 11 boys' football team after a professional and convincing 5-0 victory away at Balshaw's High School. This result means they have now achieved four wins out of four in the South Ribble League, with three games still to play. Goals were scored by Alan S, Oliver D, Charlie W, Tom A, and Conor M. The team is currently demonstrating an excellent level of performance and continues to develop strongly as a squad. Great work, lads!

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Impressive Win: Year 9 A Team Dominates Leyland St Mary's



Well done to the Year 9 A team who played Leyland St Mary's tonight and secured a convincing 21-3 victory. There was some excellent teamwork and individual play, with a particular focus on strong passing throughout the match. Awards for Outstanding Player of the Match went to Halle R, Captain's Player to Zara K, and Player's Player to Ava and Charlotte. Congratulations to all the girls for their fantastic performance!

Outstanding Performance by Year 10 and 11 A Teams in District League Victory



Well done to the Year 10 and 11 A teams who played Penwortham Girls on Wednesday. The girls played exceptionally well, and both teams secured victories in the District League. Special congratulations go to Pheobe and Amarah for their excellent shooting.

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Notice to Parents and Carers: Increase in School-Time Medical Appointments

We would like to take a moment to discuss a growing concern regarding student attendance.

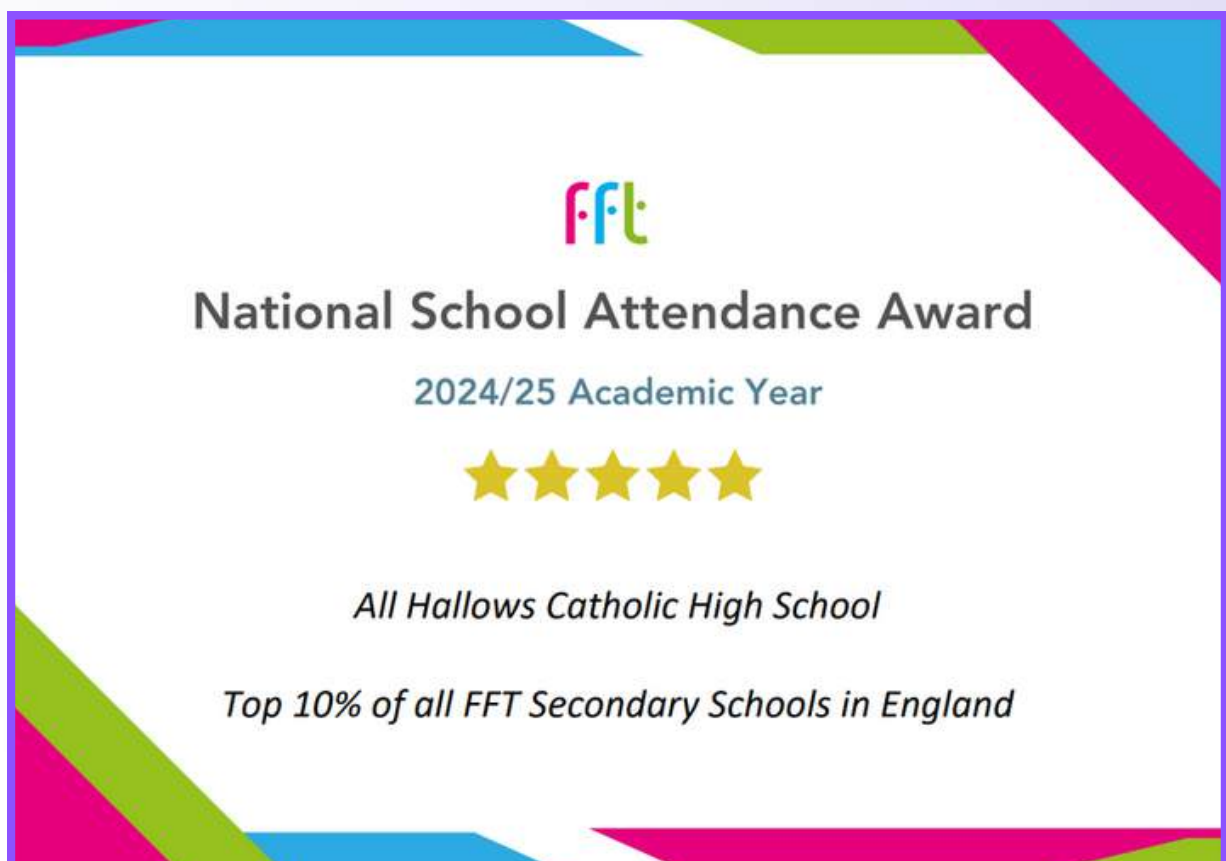
Recently, we've noticed an increase in the number of medical and dental appointments being scheduled during the school day. While we understand that some appointments are unavoidable, regular absences — even for short periods — can have a significant impact on a child's learning and progress.

While absences for medical appointments are considered authorised (Code M) and are recognised as valid reasons for a child to miss school, they still have a negative impact on their overall attendance percentage. This is because attendance figures are based on the total amount of time a pupil is present in school, and any authorised absence—such as for a doctor, dentist, or hospital appointment—is still recorded as time away from learning. Therefore, even though these absences are unavoidable and permitted, they can still lower a child's overall attendance.

We kindly ask parents and carers to, wherever possible, book medical, dental, or other appointments outside of school hours — either before or after the school day, or during school holidays. If an appointment must take place during the school day, please ensure your child attends school before and/or after the appointment so they miss as little time as possible.

To help us maintain accurate attendance records, we kindly ask that, where possible, you provide evidence of any medical or dental appointments your child attends. This can include, but is not limited to, appointment cards, text confirmations, or letters from the healthcare provider.

We greatly appreciate your continued cooperation and support in helping us maintain high attendance standards across the school.



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All Hallows 50th Anniversary Ball

Saturday 21st February 2026

Sponsorship and Prize Donation Opportunities!

Did you attend All Hallows or have connections with our school? We're inviting local businesses, alumni, and friends of the school to support our 50th Anniversary Ball as official sponsors. This is a fantastic opportunity to celebrate 50 years of All Hallows, connect with our school community, and promote your business to parents, staff, and supporters.

Sponsorship Benefits Include:

Priority access to Ball tickets

Recognition in event materials and on the night

Promotion through school and PTFA communications

If you or your business would like to get involved, please contact:

PTFA@ALLHALLOWS.LANCS.SCH.UK

Join us in making this milestone celebration truly special!

Friends of All Hallows - registered charity: 1118676

Celebrate Our 50th Anniversary with Us

We warmly invite you to give thanks and celebrate our 50th Anniversary. This is a special milestone for our school, and we would be delighted for you to join us in marking this occasion.

Please consider giving generously. Donations will go towards extending the chapel and supporting future projects, helping to sustain the legacy of our school for generations to come.

We also encourage you to follow our social media pages and visit the 50th Anniversary page on our website to keep up with all the celebrations, photos, and highlights from this special year. Your engagement helps us share our achievements and the wonderful memories of the school community.

Thank you for your continued support – together, we celebrate the past, present, and future of our school!

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<https://www.allhallows.lancs.sch.uk/about/50th-anniversary/>



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CFWS Parent Empowerment course offer

Solihull Approach - is a theoretical model that emerged from practice, therapists and psychologists and facilitates an understanding of emotional health and wellbeing, as well as mental health and child development. The three concepts of containment, reciprocity, and behaviour management facilitate an understanding of the relationship and how to apply this in different contexts. It looks at brain development and how children may behave a certain way. It's for parents who want to understand their children's behaviour.

Nurturing Programme – promoting emotional health and mental wellbeing, relationship skills and positive behaviour management strategies for parents/carers and their children (of any age).

The Nurturing Programme which is evidence-based and universal, puts connecting and building trusting relationships first.

The key elements of The Nurturing Programme are the four constructs, or building blocks, of good emotional health: – self-awareness, appropriate expectations, empathy and positive discipline.

Riding the Rapids – is for Parents of CYP with autism or a specific learning disability NOT parents of CYP with neurodivergence such as a solo diagnosis of dyspraxia, ADHD, ADD. This group is delivered for children of a similar age, so early years, primary and secondary are delivered separately – it can not be mixed groups.

All above programmes run for 10 weeks and are 2 hours per week.

Connective parenting (FIS offer at level 3 on CoN) – Using a trauma informed, Non-Violent Resistance approach to support communication and connection between parent/carer and child.

Positive Relationships: Positive Relationships Stronger Families is a 4 week programme for parents who may be struggling with conflict within their relationships.



Scan to book a group or go to [Lancashire County Council Events](#)

Lancashire County Council

SEND

Peer Support Drop In
With Community Seniors/Family Hub Navigator

Every 3rd Wednesday of the month
(Wednesday 19th November)

9:30am – 11:30am
West Paddock Family Hub
PR25 1HR

Peer Support drop in for parents/carers of children with SEND

Partner agencies will join some of our drop ins, such as

SENDIAS, Key, Primary Mental Health Workers, ASD Pathway Navigator, Educational Psychologists, Barnardo's, Lancashire Positive Minds and Lancashire Parent Carer Forum

LANCASHIRE FAMILY HUB NETWORK

All Hallows Catholic High School

Safeguarding

What does bullying look like?

- Name calling
- Writing/saying nasty comments
- Excluding you from activities
- Hitting you
- Making unkind demands of you
- Humiliating you in front of others
- Demanding things from you that don't belong to them

cyberbullying

- Profile yourself at all times by keeping your password safe
- Never give out personal details on the internet
- Don't agree to meet up with strangers from on-line activities
- Do not send any pictures of yourself which are inappropriate
- Report to an adult if explicit pictures are sent or requested of you

How can you tell someone?

- Go to your Head of Year or DSL's Office
- Tell your form tutor
- Tell your parent/carer

If there is something or someone worrying me, who should I tell?

- Form Tutor
- DSL
- Head of Year
- Head Teacher / Deputy Head Teacher
- SLT
- Teacher
- Office Staff / Support Staff
- Canteen Staff
- Parents
- Friends

How do I stay safe in school?

- Follow staff instructions in the classroom
- Walk around the school safely
- No play fighting, pushing or tripping anyone up
- Walk calmly and sensibly along corridors and follow the one way system

DSL
Mrs J Washington

Backup DSL
Miss R Taylor

Trained DSLs – Mrs A Cooper, Mrs M Rishton and Mr D Finch

ALL HALLOWS STATIONERY SHOP

Where: Library When: 1-1:20pm Monday & Wednesday

CASH - please try to have the exact amount as change is limited

Item	Price
Black Pen	20p
Pencil	20p
Rubber	20p
30cm Ruler	20p
Protractor	20p
Green pen	20p
Purple pen	20p
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Scented pencils	50p
Novelty pens	50p
Clear pencil case	75p

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ARE YOU IN YEAR 7? YES

**WANT TO LEARN A NEW SPORT OR CARRY ON
PLAYING? YES**

MAKE NEW FRIENDS? YES

BE A PART OF THE GREATEST SPORT? YES

RUGBY LEAGUE

PLAYERS WANTED

IF YOU ANSWER YES TO THE
ABOVE QUESTIONS, THEN
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CENTRE PR5 6YJ.
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Post 16 (14-19 years)

Contact us for further information

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