

Dear Parents/Guardians,

I am delighted to share the wonderful news that our Key Stage 3 girls' tennis team achieved outstanding success at the National Tennis Finals in Nottingham. This was a fantastic accomplishment and a memorable experience for the pupils involved. They represented our school with great determination, teamwork, and sportsmanship — we are incredibly proud of them.

In recent weeks, our young people have enjoyed a wide range of inspiring opportunities to support their future pathways. Our Year 11 students visited BAE Systems, where they explored apprenticeship routes and gained a first-hand look at the company's impressive training facilities. We have also welcomed local college providers into school to inform students about the variety of post-16 options available to them as they begin making important decisions about their next steps.

Today, we wish our Year 8 pupils and the staff accompanying them a wonderful and enriching weekend retreat at Castlerigg Manor, Keswick.

As we approach the season of Advent, we look forward to coming together as a school community to actively live out our mission of "Growing together in the spirit of Christ's love". Over the coming weeks, our charitable and festive activities will focus on supporting those in our local community who need it most. I am grateful for your continued encouragement and involvement, and I would encourage families to purchase tickets for our Christmas Concert, which is always a joyful celebration of the talents and achievements of our young people.

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/



ADVENT APPEAL 2025

This year we are supporting The Metanoia Project in Preston, which runs a weekly drop-in for anyone who is homeless or living in insecure housing. The drop-in offers a warm welcome, a hot drink and biscuits, people to chat to and pray with, and essential items to help make life a little more comfortable. The drop-in relies entirely on donations, and we need your help to keep their supplies topped up. Metanoia's work is rooted in Catholic Social Teaching, and it is the faith of the team and volunteers that motivates this vital support.

On 23rd December, Metanoia is planning a Christmas dinner for the homeless in Preston. We are asking our forms to 'Buy a Homeless Person a Christmas Dinner' by donating to this cause. £2 buys a hot drink, and £5 buys a Christmas dinner. The more we raise, the more Christmas dinners can be provided. This is a wonderful way to bring hope to others in our local area during Advent.

In addition, forms are being asked to take part in a 'Reverse Advent Calendar', where each day corresponds to an item to bring in to support those less fortunate. Forms will create a Christmas box or hamper containing as many items from the calendar as possible. These may include blankets, towels, toiletries, hats, gloves, scarves, socks, tracksuit bottoms, festive chocolate, food items, and more.

These Christmas boxes will also be given to families that the school SVP group has supported throughout the year. Thank you for giving so generously as we journey towards this time of hope in the coming of Jesus.

<u>Important Reminder to Parents: Crownlee Access</u> <u>and Pupil Safety</u>

We would like to remind all parents that Crownlee is a private road and should not be used for dropping off or collecting pupils under any circumstances. Vehicles entering the road, attempting three-point turns or reversing create significant safety risks for pupils walking to and from school.

The volume of traffic at the start and end of the school day has grown considerably, and in the interest of pupil safety we ask that parents do not drive onto Crownlee or attempt to turn around there.

Instead, it is both safer — and often quicker — to arrange drop-off and pick-up on Birch Avenue or Central Drive, where there is more space and less pedestrian congestion.

Your cooperation helps us keep all pupils safe and supports positive relationships with our local residents. Thank you for your continued understanding and support.



We have an action-packed few weeks ahead and would like to draw your attention to several key events that we hope will be of interest.

Sunday 7th December – SVP Christmas Dinner St Teresa's Social Centre, 12.30pm–3.30pm

Members of the SVP in school will be supporting this event. Separate letters will be issued by Mrs Colclough.

Tuesday 9th December – Christmas Concert at All Hallows

Tickets are now available from school, priced at £5.00 each. A link is available on Synergy for parents to order tickets online. Further information about booking online will also be provided on Synergy.

Seasonal refreshments will be served from 6.30pm in the Senior Dining Room.

Concert begins: 7.30pm

Performers: Singers, dancers and musicians should meet in the Sports Hall from 6.30pm onwards. Dress code: Pupils should wear school uniform with a Christmas jumper. Dancers should wear their costumes and a Christmas jumper.

Wednesday 10th December – Senior Citizens' Christmas Party All Hallows, 1.00pm–3.00pm

Pupils from the music department, guitar group, rock bands and dance groups will perform throughout the afternoon. The concert will finish at 3.00pm for pupils.

Wednesday 10th December – Carol Singing for the PTFA Penwortham Christmas Markets, 6.00pm–8.00pm

SVP members and music singers will take part.

Dress code: School uniform, warm coats, and Christmas jumpers and hats.

Friday 12th December – Nursing Home Visit

Carol singing and distribution of hampers to asylum seekers, refugees and local families.

Year 10 SVP members will travel by minibus with Mrs Colclough, Mrs Calman and Mrs Washington.

Tuesday 16th December - Christmas Roadshow to Feeder Primary Schools

Choir members, dance groups, rock band members and guitar ensembles will perform. Pupils will visit three of our feeder primary schools.

Pupils may purchase lunch at McDonald's, Riversway on the Docks, or bring a packed lunch.

Dress code: School uniform with a Christmas jumper.

Please note: pupils may only take part if a medical form is held in school and they have signed up on Synergy under Christmas Concert/Roadshow.





THURSDAY 18th DECEMBER 2025

Traditional Roast Turkey
Chipolata Sausages Rolled with Bacon
Sage & Onion Stuffing
Cranberry Sauce

Or

Christmas Pudding served
With custard

or

Chocolate Fudge Cake served with cream

or

Fresh Fruit Salad

Cost £5.75 (including juice & a crac

If you wish to order a Christmas Dinner, please pay on-line using our ParentPay facility and select your choice of Christmas Dinner by TUESDAY 9TH DECEMBER 2025.

ANYONE WHO DOES NOT ORDER BY 9th DECEMBER 2025 WILL NOT BE ABLE TO TAKE PART IN THE



PTFA

All Hallows 50th Anniversary Ball – Sponsorship & Prize Donations

Saturday 21st February 2026
As we prepare to celebrate 50 years of All Hallows, we warmly invite local businesses, alumni, and friends of the school to support our Anniversary Ball as official sponsors.
This is a wonderful opportunity to mark this special milestone,

This is a wonderful opportunity to mark this special milestone 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

Last Call for Tombola Donations!

Our PTFA would greatly appreciate chocolate and unopened bottles for the Penwortham Christmas Market tombola stall.

Please send in any donations by 10th December.

Thank you for your support!

Friends of All Hallows – Registered Charity: 1118676



South Ribble Cheer Dance Competition Success!



On Wednesday 19th November, 19 girls from across Years 7–11 represented All Hallows in the South Ribble Cheer Dance Competition.

All of the dancers performed brilliantly in an exceptionally strong field, with 12 students achieving top-five placements within their categories.

A special congratulations goes to Margaret, Sophie, and Addison, who each won their category — an outstanding achievement! Well done to all involved; you represented the school wonderfully.



Year 11 Volleyball Team Continue to Impress



The Year 11 volleyball team continue to shine, taking a 2–1 lead in the four-game series arranged with Hutton Grammar School. Their next fixture is scheduled for Friday 5th December, and the team are keen to build on their strong performances so far.

The standard of play throughout the series has been excellent and a real pleasure to watch. We are also delighted to hear that several of the boys have joined Preston Panthers, a local volleyball club that trains here at All Hallows on weekday evenings. Their commitment to developing their skills further is commendable, and we look forward to seeing their continued progress both in school competitions and beyond.

Year 11 Boys Extend Perfect Run with Hard-Fought Win



Congratulations to our Year 11 boys, who continued their outstanding form with a 2–1 victory over Leyland St Mary's. It was a fiercely contested match from start to finish, with the whole team showing tremendous resilience. All Hallows took the lead through a well-taken goal by Tom A, before Leyland St Mary's found an equaliser. The boys dug deep, and their persistence paid off when Tom struck again in the final minute to secure a dramatic winner. A special mention goes to Conor Mc and Patryk F, whose exceptional work rate and commitment were instrumental in getting the team over the line.

This result means the boys have now achieved five wins from five in the South Ribble League – a fantastic accomplishment and a testament to their hard work and teamwork.

Well done, lads – keep it going!

Celebrate Our 50th Anniversary with Us

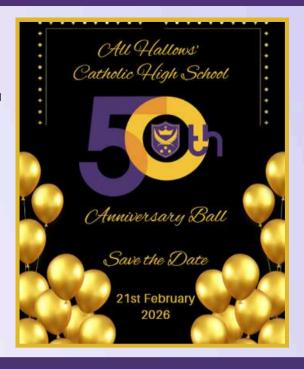
We warmly invite you to give thanks and celebrate our 50th Anniversary. This is a special milestone for our school, and we would be delighted for you to join us in marking this occasion.

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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Are you into STEM, Tech, Science, or Engineering, and fascinated by cutting-edge technology and innovation? Join QinetiQ to get a behind-the-scenes look at how we lead in defence, security and aerospace. Over three days, you will:

- Meet industry experts to find out about their roles and experience.
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- Discover the different paths into tech and engineering. Apply now at <u>futuresforall.org</u>.

3-day Placement

Date: 16 - 18 February 2026

Time: 10am - 3pm

Age: 14 - 19

Apply by: 19 January 2026





Where: Library When: 1-1:20pmMonday, Wednesday & Friday CASH - please try to have the exact amount as change is limited

Item	Price
Black Pen	20p
Pencil	20p
Pencil Sharpener	20p
Rubber	20p
15cm Ruler	20p
Protractor	20p
Green pen	20p
Purple pen	20p
Highlighter	50p
Scented pencils	50p
Novelty pens	50p
Clear pencil case	75p

Year 11 can now buy a full exam-ready pencil case — including 2 black pens, pencil, sharpener, rubber, 15cm ruler, 2 highlighters and a protractor. These are normally £3.15, now just £2, saving you £1.15.

These bundles are exclusively for year 11



*highlighters, sharpeners and rubbers come in a variety of colours