

All Hallows

Catholic High School

Newsletter

13th September 2024



Dear Parents/Guardians,

Welcome back to a new year and the start of a very busy Autumn Term. I hope that everyone has enjoyed some relaxation time over the summer and maybe had chance to have time away with family and friends.

This week we have celebrated Mass as a whole community to welcome our students and staff back into the new academic year. Our theme was 'Hope' and we were able to focus our thoughts on what we look forward to being part of and contributing to during this next year. A special welcome must be given to our Year 7 parents and pupils and we hope that they have all settled in well and enjoying their first few weeks.

All pupils are extremely smart and I would like to thank parents for supporting us in upholding the high standards of uniform we aspire to at All Hallows.

Already term has started at a fast pace with the Year 11 Careers Information Evening and the Geography GCSE students visiting Salford Quays for their fieldwork.

There are so many activities and events planned for this term and we hope that all our students settle to the challenges of their academic studies and work hard this term.

Thank you for your support and enthusiasm

Yours faithfully,

Alison Cooper
Headteacher



Whole School Start of Year Mass

On Monday 9th September the whole school gathered to celebrate our start of year Mass.

Fr Ian, from the Penwortham parish, celebrated the Mass during which we reflection on the theme of hope. We heard from St Paul's letter to the Romans which reminded us all that in God's word we hear words of hope and encouragement and to turn to the God of hope who fills us with all joy and peace. Our Gospel reading from St Matthew spoke about the importance of building our school, our community and our lives on the firm foundation which is our faith in God. Fr Ian beautifully reminded us, in his homily, that we are all the purple bricks of our school and our faith is the firm foundation which it is all built on. He went on to say that our faith in God gives us the stability and the hope we need for each school year. Our gospel drama performed by a wonderful group of pupils reiterated this need for this firm and solid foundation.

During our first week back, we invited each of our form groups to pray together about what they were hopeful for for the year ahead. These reflections, following the time of prayer, were written down on bright slips of paper and they were all brought forward during the offertory, offering to God all our hopes for the year. The year group learning managers also offered their hopes for their year group for the year ahead.

A huge thank you to everyone who helps to plan this celebration, to all of our readers, actors, singings and musicians. It was a joyful and hopeful celebrations of who we are as a community as we begin this 2024/25 year together.

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National Schools Games Championship for BMX

Over the summer holidays, James Clitheroe (Year 10, pictured centre) won the National Schools Games Championship for BMX. Competitors at this year's School Games National Finals included those currently populating junior national rankings in their sport. James has had a very successful couple of years in BMX racing, having won the World Championship title in 2023 and finishing third in this year's European Championships. We are really proud of James' success and we look forward to a really successful future for him.



A bundle of joy has arrived!

Congratulations to Miss Chambers on the birth of your baby girl Delilah Chambers-Hunter born on the 8th September.

St Catherine's Hospice fundraising

Well done to Joshua Broad (year 8) and his brother for raising funds for St Catherine's Hospice. The boys have been selling lemonade to their local community outside their family home. This event was a great success, and they raised £57, which has been donated to St. Catherine's Hospice in memory of their great-grandfather.



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Year 11 Geography Field Trip

On Thursday this week 63 Year 11 GCSE Geography students went to Manchester Salford Quays to conduct field work research. They performed a Bipolar survey and an environmental survey of several locations, analysing the impact of the regeneration of the area. This is a compulsory element of the exam and vital experience. The weather was kind to us and the pupils did a great job!



Year 9 Spanish

In Spanish, Year 9 read Gloria Fuertes' "Poema al No", then wrote their own version of it as a class, thinking about recent current affairs and our school values. Here is what they wrote!

No al robo	No to theft
No a la discriminación	No to discrimination
No a la pobreza	No to poverty
No al acoso	No to bullying
No al miedo	No to fear
No a los disturbios	No to riots
No a la violencia	No to violence
No al asesinato	No to murder
No a los ataques	No to attacks
Sí a la unidad	Yes to unity
Sí a las diferencias	Yes to differences
Sí a la amabilidad	Yes to kindness

No a la discriminación	No to discrimination
No al bombardeo	No to bombings
No al racismo	No to racism
No a la agresión	No to aggression
No al contrabando	No to smuggling
No al sexismo	No to sexism
No al acoso	No to bullying
No a los asesinatos	No to murders
Sí al respeto	Yes to respect
Sí a amabilidad	Yes to kindness
Sí a la justicia	Yes to justice

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OPENING EVENING

Thursday 26th September 2024

5.00pm - 7.30pm

We invite you to experience the school's Catholic ethos and facilities. Come and speak to staff, pupils and see our departments.

The Headteacher's address will be in the Arts Theatre at 5:00pm & 6.30pm



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