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Dear Parents/Carers

Reflection: 'Your Father who sees everything in secret will reward you' – Matthew 6:1-6, 16-18

This week we marked the start of Lent by marking our foreheads with Ash to remind us that it was from dust that we were created and to dust we will return. This outward sign is important for us as it helps us to remain humble and recognise our need for God. But, as the Gospel we heard on Ash Wednesday makes clear, outward signs are not what is important to God. He is much more interested in what is going on in our hearts. Prayer, fasting and almsgiving (good works) are the three activities the Church asks us to practice during Lent and these are all dealt with in this Gospel passage. Jesus encourages us to ensure that, when we carry out these activities, our intention is right. Are we looking to impress others, or prove our endurance, or go on a diet? Or are we trusting that by following God's commands we will become more like Him? We should indeed make extra efforts during this Lenten season to strengthen our spiritual lives in all three areas because they have the ability to help us recognise God's presence amongst us, our need for Him and the vital role we all play in helping others encounter Him.

Jesus, we surrender this Lenten season and our efforts to You. Help us pray, fast and give alms in a way that will bear fruit in our lives and make us more like You. Amen

Blood Brothers Theatre Trip

On the evening of Thursday 24 February a group of 40 Year 9 pupils visited the Palace Theatre in Manchester to watch 'Blood Brothers'. The hit musical tells the captivating and moving tale of twins who, separated at birth, grow up on opposite sides of the tracks, only to meet again with fateful consequences. Pupils thoroughly enjoyed the production, were captivated throughout and were impeccably behaved.

Dioceses Inspection

We have had a Section 48 inspection this week on Monday 28 February and Tuesday 1 March. We will send home a copy of the full inspection report as soon as it becomes available, but we do not expect to receive the report until at least two weeks' time. We would like to thank parents and carers who kindly returned their questionnaires for the inspectors.

Ash Wednesday Mass

We marked the beginning of Lent this week with Mass, celebrated by Fr Mario, on Ash Wednesday morning. A large number of pupils attended Mass and as usual, behaved impeccably and engaged well. At lunchtime in the Chapel, the Tabernacle was open, and in the presence of Jesus through the consecrated hosts in the Ciborium, pupils were invited to pray for peace in the Ukraine.

Year 8 Parents' Evening

Parents' Evening for pupils in Year 8 will take place next week on Thursday 10 March from 4.00 to 6.30pm. Parental involvement in such consultation evenings has a significant impact on achievement, and for this reason, it is our expectation that all parents and carers will want to attend this Parents' Evening. We strongly encourage all Year 8 pupils to attend the evening with their parents. Pupils are required to attend in full school uniform.

Year 11 Revision Plan

Parents received information about their child's individual revision plan during our Revision Programme Evening on Wednesday this week. Our experience has shown that parents have a critical part to play in making sure that pupils engage fully with their revision. As mentioned during the evening, the revision plan will begin on Monday and all Year 11 pupils will attend a compulsory extra lesson until 3.30pm every day.

'Think Architecture with RIBA' Careers Event

On Wednesday 30 March, RIBA (Royal Institute of British Architects) will be hosting a 'Think Architecture' event for Year 11 pupils and their parents/ carers. The evening, held at school, will highlight the career opportunities available through architecture. It will be an ideal opportunity for anyone wanting to pursue a career in Architecture or interested in finding out more about this exciting and dynamic employment pathway. The event will consist of short talks from members of RIBA (Royal Institute of British Architects) as well as lecturers from universities that provide degrees in Architecture. There will also be opportunities for Q and A, as well as informal networking. It is a free ticketed event and will run from 6.00pm to 7.00pm. Tickets are available by visiting the Eventbrite page [here](#) and clicking 'register'.

Battlefields Trip Cancellation

Unfortunately, the travel company has cancelled the 'Battlefields Trip 2022'. All monies received for this trip will be returned to parents/ carers via parent pay. Apologies for the inconvenience caused.

Year 7 September 2022

This week Year 6 pupils found out which secondary school they have been allocated for September. We have been allocated a full year group and look forward to meeting them on our transition days. We know that some parents who wanted their child to attend Corpus Christi have been unsuccessful. If so, we have full information on our website [here](#) regarding the next steps you may take with regards to appeals and the waiting list.

Learner of the Week

(Year 11) Katie O'Donnell for displaying a determination in Maths that every Corpus Christi pupil should aspire to have. Her work ethic is unmatched by any pupil in the school at the moment; Lewis Edmondson (Year 10) for showing a good understanding of how circuits work and being really engaged with the electricity topic; Joshua Roach (Year 9) for his ambition in widening his vocabulary and word choices in English; Jayden Hopkins (Year 8) for constantly giving a high level of effort in RE, for excellent verbal contributions and making excellent progress in his written work; Bartosz Drazyk (Year 7) for his excellent score on the body systems test, demonstrating the attention to detail and effort he puts into every lesson.

Preston College Open Evening

Preston College are holding an Open Evening on Wednesday 9 March 2022. The event will run between 4.00- 7.00pm at their St Vincent's Road campus. If you wish to attend you can register [here](#).

Sports News

Netball: On Tuesday, the Year 7 and 8 girls took on Moor Park in a netball fixture. The Year 8 girls played extremely well but it unfortunately ended with a defeat. The Year 7 girls progressed throughout the game, sealing a 3-1 victory over Moor Park. Congratulations to Sidoneil Whyte and Halle Gregory who were both chosen by Moor Park as the player of the matches. The following day, the Year 7 and 8 girls played in a Preston Netball tournament hosted by St Cecilia's. Both the Year 7 and 8 teams played exceptionally well and managed to win 2 of their games. The Year 7 team beat Longridge 3-1 and Broughton 1-0. The Year 8 team beat Moor Park 1-0 and Ashton CSC 5-1. Congratulations to Shona Chimbizi and Isha Hoolash who were chosen as the players of the tournament for Year 7 and 8 respectively.

Basketball: Year 7 put on a fantastic display of determination and skill in the final of the local schools tournament against Archbishop Temple, resulting in a 15-6 win, crowning them worthy champions of the whole tournament. Well done to all the boys, particularly Reece Kay and Theo Westwood who were excellent.

Football: Year 9 played Our Lady's on Wednesday, the boys had some good chances and looked promising at times but were unfortunate with the result, leaving the cup competition. Well done to our man of the match, Farid Hidari.

Vacancies

We are currently looking to recruit a Cover, Data and Examinations Officer, a Teacher of Design Technology and an ICT Technician. If you or someone you know may be interested in joining our team, please see details of these jobs on our [vacancies page](#) or contact [Mrs Wallace](#) for more information.

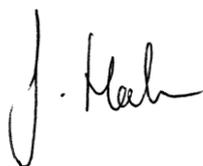
Corpus Christi News

Further information, news and photography covering recent events at the school can be viewed on our website at www.ccc.lancs.sch.uk

Important Dates

Monday 7 March	Year 11 Revision Plan begins	
Thursday 10 March	Year 8 Parents' Evening	4.00 - 6.30pm
Thursday 17 March	Year 10 Reports & Parents' Evening	4.00 - 6.30pm
Thursday 31 March	Year 7 Reports & Parents' Evening	4.00 - 6.30pm
Thursday 7- Tuesday 12 April	Year 10 & 11 Berlin Trip	
Thursday 7 April	School closes for Easter Holiday	1.30pm

Yours sincerely



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