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Dear Parents/Carers

## **Reflection: 'This is my Son, the Chosen One. Listen to Him' – Luke 9:28-36**

The Holy Trinity: Father, Son, and Holy Spirit, is one of the central Dogmas of Christian belief but there are very few occasions in Scripture where all three Persons are observable at the same time. This suggests that the moments that they are, must be events with an extremely important message. Our Gospel passage this week is one of those rare occasions. Jesus is 'Transfigured' to show His true glory. We hear the voice of the Father and a thick 'cloud' overshadows them. Cloud is often used in this way throughout the Old Testament to describe the presence of the Holy Spirit. For example, the Israelites are led through the desert by a pillar of cloud in the day and a pillar of fire at night and the Ark of the Covenant is filled with God's presence by a 'glory cloud'. Like last week's passage about Jesus' temptation in the desert, each Gospel writer's account of the Transfiguration is always heard during Lent, again emphasising its importance. So, what is the message that we so desperately need to hear? Jesus is God – Listen to Him!

**Jesus, help us to truly listen to You during this Lenten season. Give us ears to hear Your Truth and transform our hearts to be obedient to Your Word. Amen**

## **Section 48 Inspection**

As you are aware, we were inspected on 28 February and 1 March. The final report has now been published and is [attached to the newsletter](#). For the first time since inspections began, the overall judgement was that '**Corpus Christi Catholic High School is an outstanding Catholic school.**' We are proud of our school and we are grateful for the excellent response from parents to the inspection questionnaire, which was overwhelmingly positive. Inspectors noted that the 'environment and conditions for learning are excellent' and that pupils' behaviour is 'exceptional in and around school.' There are many more positives highlighted throughout the report, which is the result of strong relationships developed over time between staff, pupils and parents.

## **Lent Almsgiving**

As previously mentioned, during Lent this year we will be raising money for 'Mary's Meals'. The charity provides one good nutritious meal every school day to some of the world's poorest. Pupils are encouraged to participate in the planned fundraising activities in school, such as market stalls, where forms will sell items during lunch and break time on 28 March. Other upcoming events include 'Corpus Christi's Got Talent' at 3pm on 29 March and 'I'm a Teacher ..Get Me Out Of Here' at 3pm on 30 March. Tickets are £1.50 for each event and are available to purchase via parent pay.

## **Ukraine Appeal**

Thank you to those who have already donated items to the Ukraine Appeal that we launched last week. We will be collecting items up until next Friday (25 March) so there is still time if you wish to donate.

Ideas for donations include food items (dried or canned), tea, coffee, first aid kits, baby essentials, candles and blankets. You can see a full list of possible donation items [here](#).

### **Learner of the Week**

Faridoon Hidari (Year 11) for making an excellent start to the revision programme and going above and beyond, doing extra work towards his Maths GCSE; Millie Ogden (Year 10) for having a consistently conscientious attitude towards her PE coursework, always striving for ways to improve and ensuring her work is of the highest quality; Salahideen Alswaihi (Year 9) for working very hard towards the Intermediate Maths Challenge and achieving a Silver certificate- a tremendous achievement; Nathan Dagers (Year 8) for showing huge potential and skill level in his hockey unit. He has listened and applied his knowledge to a high standard; Atawullah Ehsani (Year 7) for continually giving fantastic verbal responses in class leading to a high standard of extended writing on the extent of change in Norman England.

### **Eco Committee Competition**

Pupils who form part of the school's 'Eco Committee' have launched a competition aimed at reducing energy usage within school. They are concerned about the environmental impact and cost when lights, monitors or projectors are left on unnecessarily in classrooms. They are hoping the winning poster will raise awareness and encourage everyone to use less energy. Pupils in all year groups are eligible to enter the 'design an energy saving poster' competition. The closing date for entries is Friday 1 April and the artwork should be handed to their form teacher.

### **Reading Mentors**

We have launched a 'Reading Leader' programme. The initiative involves pupils sharing picture and story books whilst supporting, inspiring and encouraging younger family members to read. Pupils acting as reading mentors will receive a 'Reading Leader' badge, certificate and house points when they have loaned and shared at least 10 books with others. They may read the story out-loud or listen to a youngster read, discussing the story, the pictures and what might happen next. Similar programmes have shown to strengthen relationships between mentors and the youngsters they help as well as building confidence in reading, particularly in reluctant readers, and those with lower reading ages. If your child is interested in becoming a Reading Leader, please ask them to see Mrs Wilson.

### **Reporting Unkindness**

We have absolutely no tolerance for unkindness in our school and thankfully we rarely deal with such issues. To strengthen our safeguarding support and to make it easier for pupils to report such instances, we have set up a dedicated email address for reporting incidents of unkindness, prejudice or bullying. If such an instance occurs, pupils must report it immediately to a member of staff. The most effective way is to speak to their Pastoral Support Officer or Head of Year. If they are unable to do this, they are now able to send an email from their school email account reporting the incident to: [report@ccc.lancs.sch.uk](mailto:report@ccc.lancs.sch.uk)

### **Year 7 Parents' Evening**

Parents' Evening for pupils in Year 7 will take place on Thursday 31 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 important parents' evening. We strongly encourage all Year 7 pupils to attend the evening with their parents. Please note that pupils must attend in full school uniform.

## Year 11 Revision Plan

For pupils in Year 11, revision is now well underway. Thank you to parents for your support during the revision programme. Many pupils have spoken of how their parents have been testing them on their learning at the end of each night's work. This support makes a huge difference and is greatly appreciated.

## Sports News

Football: Our Year 7 boys football team put on a fantastic show on Tuesday 13 March, making it through the first round of the cup competition by beating Eden Boys 5-0 at home. Reece Kay was crowned 'Man of the match' having scored two of the five goals, with Kieran Humphries, Yusuf Khanu and Kian Winrow all scoring one each. Well done to all the team on a great win.

Our Year 10 boys played extremely well in the first round of the 'Ord/ Hargreaves Football Cup' competition against Broughton. The game finished 2-2, but after a nail-biting penalty shoot-out we won 5-4. A mention has to go to Lorenze Mullarkey- Matthews for giving the 'man of the match' performance, as well as Luke Orton who made some crucial saves. Well done to the whole team, who will progress to the next round of the competition, playing away at Ashton in the quarter final next week.

Table Tennis: For the last two weeks the U13 and U16 boys have been to Eden Boys to compete in the Preston Schools' table tennis tournament. Our U13 team, consisting of Nate Wilson, Vinayak Ratheesh, Maxwell Hill and Kayden Gambino performed well coming second in their half of the group. The U16 team of Debashish Mukherjee, Peter Ogbe, Luke Orton and Thomas Ashworth also played well, finishing second. A special mention to Peter who won 8 out of 9 games over the two weeks. Well done boys.

## Vacancies

We are currently looking to recruit 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](http://www.ccc.lancs.sch.uk)

## Important Dates

Wednesday 30 March	<a href="#">'Think Architecture'</a> Year 11 Event	6.00 – 7.00pm
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
Monday 25 April	School re-opens	8.30am

Yours sincerely



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