



# CORPUS CHRISTI CATHOLIC HIGH SCHOOL

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Dear Parents/Carers

## **Reflection: "Do you love me?" - John 21:1-19**

Having denied knowing or following Jesus three times whilst He was on trial, St Peter comes face to face with Jesus after His resurrection from the dead during our Gospel passage this week. After spending three years with Jesus, Peter is sure of the forgiveness and mercy that He offers. However, Peter is a changed and humbled man. It is very easy to miss this as we only have one word for 'love' in English whereas there are several in Greek (the language in which the Gospels were written). Sitting around a charcoal fire, just like the one in the courtyard when Peter denied Him, Jesus asks Peter three times 'do you love me?'. The first two times Jesus uses the word 'agape', meaning a sacrificial love just like the way He loves us. Peter replies 'you know I love You' but he replaces 'agape' with 'philia' meaning an affection and deep regard. Peter cannot honestly say that he loves Jesus even to the point of death as he so recently realised that this was not the case. The third time Jesus changes His question to 'philia' to match Peter but then goes on to tell Peter that he will indeed one day lay down His life for Jesus, he does indeed 'agape' Jesus even though his fear got in the way before. In this week when we have celebrated the English Martyrs, including our House Saints, we too should reflect on our answer to that question. Is our relationship with God only an affection or is it something that permeates every area of our lives so that we cannot hide or deny it?

**Lord Jesus, thank You that you give us all the gifts we need to follow You faithfully. May we love You wholeheartedly and always run to You to receive Your forgiveness whenever we fall short. Amen.**

## **Attendance Reminder**

Can I remind all parents that our school expectation for good attendance is at least 97%. Research shows that this helps pupils achieve the best possible progress in school. If your child is feeling a little unwell we would encourage them to come into school and should they become poorly during the day, we will contact you. If your child is too unwell to come to school, you must contact the attendance office and advise of the reason on each day of absence. If they need to attend the doctors, please obtain an appointment card and send this into school. Medical appointments wherever possible should be arranged outside of school hours. Should they occur during school time, evidence of an appointment must be provided.

## **GCSE Examinations Countdown**

There is just one week left until the GCSE examinations begin on Monday 16 May. Parents' involvement in testing pupils in preparation for the examinations can help hugely and all parents are encouraged to be directly involved in their child's revision during the examination period. You can see the examinations timetable [here](#). GCSE Results Day is on Thursday 25 August.

### **Learner of the Week**

Lucy Hollinshead (Year 11) for excellent preparation in German for her speaking assessment, showing a good command of key vocabulary; Mason Rose-Whittle (Year 10) for demonstrating an excellent understanding of the crime and punishment topic through inciteful questions and strong answers; Ore Adeoso (Year 9) for an incredibly well detailed and well sourced explanation of the importance of the sacrament of Reconciliation in exam conditions; Shanae Tam (Year 8) for working consistently hard in all her English lessons, producing an excellent piece of homework on "The Raven"; Connor Mack (Year 7) for his consistent enthusiasm and effort in Computer Science, leading to excellent contributions to class discussions.

### **Football Finalists**

Our Year 7 football team will play this Sunday, 8 May at Preston North End's home ground in the finals of the Mick Baxter Cup. Kick off is at 10:50am. If you wish to support our boys, tickets can be purchased for £3 for adults and £1 for children at the ground on the day.

### **Creative Design at UCLan**

On Wednesday this week, 31 year 8 pupils visited the University of Central Lancashire's campus together with pupils from Witton Park Academy to take part in Creative Design workshops as part of their 'access to careers' initiative. The day began with pupils learning about possible career opportunities within the creative industries relating to Art, Design and Fashion. Our pupils demonstrated good manners, enthusiasm and worked well with pupils from another school.

### **COVID 19**

The government guidance regarding COVID 19 in education settings was amended on 1 April. Pupils who are unwell are advised to stay off school, as they would be for any other illness but once the fever has passed, they must return to school. The latest government guidelines state:

*'children and young people who are unwell and have a high temperature should stay at home and avoid contact with other people. They can go back to school, college or childcare when they no longer have a high temperature, and they are well enough to attend.'*

### **Extra-Curricular Timetable**

The extra-curricular activities led by the Physical Education department have been changed to suit the summer term. Please see the amended timetable for after-school extra-curricular activities [here](#).

### **Online Safety**

A parental factsheet with some tips to keep your child safe online is [attached](#). If you have any concerns regarding your child's online safety or any other safeguarding matters please contact Mrs Sutcliffe our Designated Safeguarding Lead [nsut@ccc.lancs.sch.uk](mailto:nsut@ccc.lancs.sch.uk).

### **Summer Examinations**

Summer examinations for pupils in Year 10 will begin on Monday 9 May and Year 7, 8, 9 examinations start on 23 May. You can see the examination timetable for all year groups [here](#). All parents are asked to check that their child is keeping up with revision homework in preparation for these important examinations. At the end of the examination period, we will carry out a full review of the setting for all pupils in Years 7 to 10 and it is therefore vital that your son/daughter takes the summer examinations seriously.

### **Eco Committee Competition**

Pupils who form part of the school's 'Eco Committee' ran a competition aimed at reducing energy usage within school. Concerned about the environmental impact and cost when lights, monitors or projectors

are left on unnecessarily in classrooms, they launched a 'design an energy saving poster' competition. The winning entry by Nihala Panni Kandathil can be seen [here](#). Her poster will be displayed in every classroom to raise awareness and encourage everyone to use less energy. The runners up were [Aamina Chohan](#) and [Navroop Kaur](#). Well done to all pupils who entered.

### Sports News

**Basketball:** Our year 7 boys played two games on Thursday in the finals of the Lancashire Basketball Competition. The boys were fantastic on the night seeing off Haslingden emphatically in the semi-final 24-13. The final game was against Archbishop Temple. The game was tight with both teams tied after full time. They went on to play over-time but nothing could separate the two teams. They then went on to play double overtime. Corpus Christi were winning by one point with 30 seconds to go, but unfortunately Archbishop Temple scored a basket to snatch it at the end. Well done to all the boys. Reaching the final of a county tournament is an excellent achievement.

### Vacancies

We are currently looking to recruit a Pastoral Support Officer and a Site Manager. If you or someone you know may be interested in joining our team, please see details on our [vacancies page](#) or contact [Mrs Wallace](#) for more information.

### Runshaw College T Levels Showcase

A reminder that Runshaw College are running a 'T-Levels Showcase' event at their Leyland campus on Thursday 12 May between 5-7pm. The evening will help those wishing to learn more about the T-Level qualification, and where it can lead. You can see more details of how to sign up to attend [here](#).

### 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

Monday 16 May	GCSE Examinations begin	
Monday 23 to Friday 27 May	Year 10 Work Experience	
Friday 27 May	Half Term, school closes	2.30pm
Monday 6 June	All pupils return to school	8.30am

Yours sincerely



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