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Dear Parents/Carers

## **Reflection: "You know the way... I am the way."**

Last Sunday we heard a Scripture that is very popular at funerals. Jesus starts by telling his disciples not to worry, that there are many rooms in His Father's house and that He is going to prepare a place for us. There is something even more beautiful in this passage that is so often overlooked. When St Thomas questions the way to get there, Jesus' answer is the key to our Christian faith. He says 'I AM the Way'. There are no hoops to jump through or tricky directions that we could mess up. The way to heaven is to know Jesus. If we take time to get to know Him, spend time with Him in prayer, and include Him in every aspect of our lives then we have gained not just heaven in the afterlife but a glimpse of heaven now too.

**Lord, Jesus, help us to make time to truly know You and to live our lives in the Kingdom of God now. Amen**

## **GCSE Examinations Countdown**

The GCSE examinations begin next week, on Monday 15 May. Parents' involvement in testing pupils in preparation for the examinations can make a significant difference and all parents are encouraged to be directly involved in their child's revision during the examination period. You can see the examinations timetable on our [website](#). GCSE Results Day is on Thursday 24 August.

## **Summer Examinations**

Summer examinations for pupils in Year 10 took place this week. Year 7, 8, 9 examinations start on Monday 15 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 child takes the summer examinations seriously.

## **Attendance Summer Rewards Trip**

During the final week of term in July, pupils who have achieved an attendance record of 97% or above will be invited to attend our summer rewards trip to Blackpool Pleasure Beach. In order to attend, pupils must have achieved at least 97% attendance record from the time between the first day of the summer term (17 April), and the final week of term (week commencing 17 July).

## **Etihad Stadium Visit**

On Thursday last week, a group of 31 Year 10 pupils studying Physical Education visited the Etihad Stadium to experience "a day in the life of a footballer". Pupils discussed the daily routines of a footballer with their knowledgeable hosts Laura and Ian, including training schedules, nutrition,

physiotherapy, and the importance of recovery. Expectations regarding the players conduct was another topic of discussion. Pupils had of the opportunity to appreciate the immaculate pitch and see the changing rooms. In the conference room, pupils sat in interview chairs and saw themselves on screen next to a digital representation of club manager, Pep Guardiola. Pupils thoroughly enjoyed the experience and were praised by the hosts for their impeccable behaviour throughout the tour.



### **Learner of the week**

Jessica Robinson (Year 11) for outstanding verbal contributions during discussions of the GCSE drama set text. Her perceptive thoughts and opinions have also positively impacted on her written responses; Dharma Karri (Year 10) for his outstanding effort and engagement in science. He has an ability to explain advanced concepts with complex scientific terminology; Nikolett Suranyi (Year 9) for excellent work on trigonometry and applying it to a challenge task accurately; Kenzie Littler (Year 8) for an exceptional knowledge and understanding in science and having the ability to explain advanced concepts with ease; Florri Jones (Year 7) for taking on board all comments from Year 7 Parents' Evening and making excellent progress in Physical Education, showing teamwork and supportive leadership skills.

### **Year 11 Leavers' Mass**

Please note that our Year 11 Leavers' Mass will take place on Tuesday 23 May at 10.00am. This will be the last time that our Year 11 pupils will gather together to celebrate Mass as members of our school community and is an important opportunity for them to give thanks to God and to pray for each other. All parents of Year 11 pupils are warmly invited to join us for this important occasion.

## Preston Schools' Football Finals

**U12 Girls Final:** On Tuesday 9 May our Year 7 girls faced Our Lady's Catholic High School to compete for the Melissa Smith Shield. Our girls had a strong start to the game, with Lacey Hamer soon scoring a great first goal. When Our Lady's scored a goal to equalise, our girls dug deep, remained focused and displayed outstanding teamwork. Lacey Hamer scored the final goal of the game and was named *Player of the Match* by the organisers. Congratulations to all our girls who thoroughly deserved the win, and to lift the shield on the famous Preston North End pitch. It was a day they will remember for many years to come. More photographs of the game (courtesy of John Shirras) can be seen [here](#).



**U16 Boys Final:** On Wednesday 10 May our Year 11 boys were delighted to play in the Preston Schools' final at Deepdale in their last game together representing Corpus Christi. They faced Our Lady's Catholic High School in a nail biting final game. The first goal was scored from outside the box by Lawrence Taylor-Mason. Our boys continued to work hard but Our Lady's managed to score two goals. Our boys fought back and showed their determination by scoring another goal in the final minute, ending the game with a 2-2 draw. Luke Orton made some fantastic saves throughout the game. Penalties decided the final outcome, which we were unlucky to lose 4-3. All our boys played with exceptional effort and demonstrated true sportsmanship throughout and after the game. They should be extremely proud. Thank you to all who came to support our boys and girls at Deepdale.



## Extra-Curricular Timetable

Please note that the PE section of the Extra-Curricular timetable has been changed. The updated schedule reflects the wide range of summer sports and activities available to pupils. The timetable can be found on our [website](#). If pupils are interested in attending an activity, they should speak to their teacher from the respective department for further information. Please encourage your children to make the most of every opportunity our school has to offer by attending as many Clubs as possible.

### Success out of School

We are always keen to celebrate the success of pupils in school but we are also aware that there are pupils who are consistently achieving outside of school too. If there are any achievements you would like us to mention in our newsletter, then please do make us aware by sending an email to Mrs Edwards on [redw@ccc.lancs.sch.uk](mailto:redw@ccc.lancs.sch.uk).

### Vacancies

We are currently looking to recruit cleaning staff. If you or someone you know may be interested in joining our team, please see details on our [vacancies page](#) or contact our [Site Manager](#), Mr Gaitens for more information.

### Online Safety Newsletter

The April edition of our online safety newsletter can be seen on our website [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

Friday 12 & Saturday 13 May	Duke of Edinburgh Expedition	
Monday 15 May	GCSE Examinations begin	
Tuesday 16 May	Year 8 & 9 HPV Immunisations	
Thursday 18 May	Mass of Ascension	1.30pm
Tuesday 23 May	Year 11 Leavers' Mass	10.00am
Thursday 25 - Tuesday 30 May	Year 9 & 10 Berlin Trip	
Friday 26 May	Half Term, school closes	2.30pm
Monday 5 June	All pupils return to school	8.30am
Monday 5 - Friday 9 June	Year 10 Castlerigg Retreat	

Yours sincerely



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