



Shining Lights Newsletter

July 2020

Celebrating success

Welcome to the summer edition of our Shining Lights newsletter. What a year! And what an inspiration our pupils and staff continue to be! Even in these difficult and challenging times we can still manage to share with you how our pupils have "let their light shine" from their inside out! They have shone in the darkness and be a guiding light to many. Wishing all our readers a restful and happy summer.

House Cup Winners 2019-20

As you will know, school has a fiercely contested inter-house cup competition each term. Pupils wait with anticipation at our end of term liturgy at St Mary's Church to find out who the winner is. Every Head of House will tell you that they are the best House, who knows who is right and who is wrong?

Lockdown began towards the end of the Spring term and we didn't have a chance to complete the events or have our end of term liturgy. Summer term began and ended without the opportunity to complete any competitions. We did think about running some challenges on 'Teams' but eventually took the view that many pupils were already dealing with the challenges of the new way of remote learning and may have felt unnecessarily pressured to complete additional tasks.

Brownedge St Mary's has always had a proud history and tradition of an inter-house cup. We believe that healthy, friendly competition brings out the best in many pupils. We all have to learn how to cope with both success and failure, winning and losing and doing so graciously. It takes a strong person to shake the hand of the winner and say 'well done' even though you may have just lost.

Everyone of us has had to live through very challenging times during the COVID pandemic. Some of us have lost friends and family, some of us will know people who have been in intensive care, staff and pupils have contracted coronavirus. Living in challenging times has taken its toll on many pupils, mentally and physically. We have to believe that when we face adversity we grow stronger, eventually we learn to develop coping mechanisms and we develop resilience. We believe that to some extent all of our pupils have learned to cope and grow. We have grown together as a family and as a community, with staff, parents and pupils all pulling together to do our best to make the most of a bad situation. We took the decision therefore that **WE ARE ALL WINNERS.**

For the first time in the schools 62 year history, the inter-house cup **JOINT** winners were:

BOSCO	DREXEL
KOLBE	ROMERO and
TERESA	



Duke Of Edinburgh

Under normal circumstances, this week our year 10 DofE participants would be completing their expedition and celebrating the successful completion of their Duke of Edinburgh's Award. For obvious reasons that are out of their control this celebration is on hold for the time being. The national lock-down presented a number of additional challenges to our participants that previous years have not had to contend with. It has made me incredibly proud to see how they have adapted and approached this challenge with great enthusiasm and steadfast determination. We have seen participants change their volunteering work, from working at local nature reserves to helping to home school younger siblings because of closures, take up new physical challenges such as PE with Joe Wicks and embark on a culinary quest to improve their skills in the kitchen. I think there may be a few new recipe books to come out of this period. I look forward to seeing all of our DofE participants back in school in the new term so we can continue with our preparation for their expedition and that celebration.



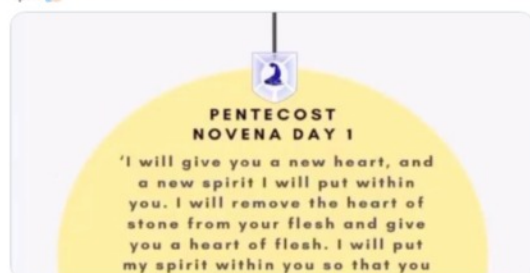
Brownedge St Mary's Chaplaincy @BSM_Chaplaincy · Jul 15

Join us tomorrow at 11.30am for our End of Year Mass. live from school on Instagram [instagram.com/bsm_chaplaincy/](https://www.instagram.com/bsm_chaplaincy/) We'll have familiar faces from school, readers from our Chaplaincy GIFT Team and a film of photo highlights from the year at the end of Mass! @BrownedgeStMary



Brownedge St Mary's Chaplaincy @BSM_Chaplaincy · May 23

Thank you to all those who joined us on Instagram live for the first day of our Pentecost Novena! You can rewatch here: [youtube.com/channel/UCjz2Q...](https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCjz2Q...) Join us again on Instagram live today at 4pm



Brownedge St Mary's Chaplaincy @BSM_Chaplaincy · Apr 21

As well as being a beautiful sign of hope, rainbows also remind us of God's covenant of love



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Chaplaincy during Lockdown

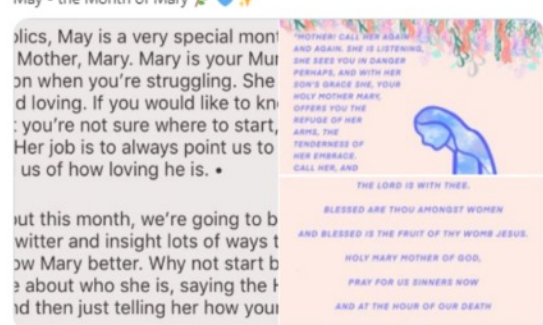
Brownedge St Mary's Chaplaincy @BSM_Chaplaincy · Jun 23

"Bring love into your home for this is where our love for each other must start." Here is this weeks prayer sheet! To follow the links on the sheet, check out the prayer sheet on Teams



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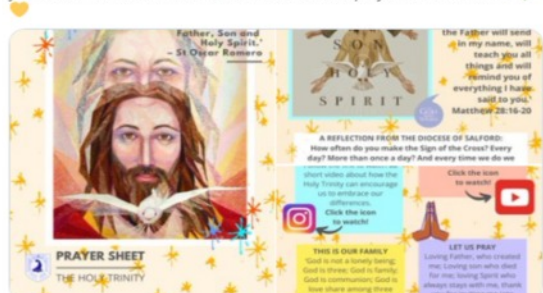
May - the Month of Mary



But this month, we're going to be talking and insight lots of ways to know Mary better. Why not start by saying the Rosary about who she is, saying the Rosary and then just telling her how you

Brownedge St Mary's Chaplaincy @BSM_Chaplaincy · Jun 8

Yesterday the Church celebrated the Feast of the Holy Trinity - Father, Son & Holy Spirit! Find out more about who these three are and how they can help you know more about who YOU are in this weeks prayer sheet on Teams



Year 11 Leavers

"God is the light that illuminates the darkness, even if it does not dissolve it, and a spark of divine light is within each of us" Pope Francis

Normally, at this time of year we have said our fond farewells to Year 11. We would have celebrated with them, cried with them, watched with amazement at their arrival to their Valedictory and we would have had a giggle with them at their photo journey through their time at Brownedge St Mary's. Well, as you know times are not normal but we have tried our utmost to ensure that our fabulous students in the 'Class of 2020' have not missed out. Starting with the renowned hoodie...what teenager can miss out on the opportunity to own yet another hoodie? The biggest order we have had from students and staff alike has gone in and we are **patiently** waiting for our Leavers' hoodies to arrive.

On Wednesday 24th June we enjoyed our virtual Leavers' Mass. It was such a special occasion, our first ever Mass where the parish had been able to join us in wishing our Year 11 students' good luck in the next chapter of their lives. Father Mark (clearly a film director in the making) did a magnificent job of streaming Mass live. We were afforded the opportunity to reflect on the last five years and to think about all the great times we have shared as a family at Brownedge St Mary's. The Leavers' Mass gave us some time to worship, give thanks to God and focus all our prayers and thoughts on Year 11 to give them the strength they need to move forward through this challenging time. We could not let our Year 11's leave without the 'embarrassing photo-montage' and Father Mark ended his beautiful service with a video that gave the parish community an insight into the epic journey Year 11 have made over the last five years.



BROWNEDGE ST MARY'S CATHOLIC HIGH SCHOOL 'Let your light shine'		Year 11 - 2020		
Bachira Al Hallak	Harry Clemance	Rhianna Halliwell	Jamie Lang	Jacobi Rushton
Oliver Alder	Lucy Cookson	Madison Hartley	Tilly Leatherland	Harvey Saniger
Ethan Alder	Allysa Corkindale	Jonathan Hawkley	James Mahoney-Kilbride	Adam Schorah
Cole Allen-Champion	Connor Corkindale	Jack Heise	Can Macdonson	Abbie Sellers
Phoebe Anderson	William Cousin	Oliver Henderson	Jessica McGrill	Matthew Simmons
Samantha Arnold	Olivia Cowley	Connah Heyes	Thomas McHugh	Abigail Singleton
Katie Atkinson	Taylor Cromie	Abbie Hindley	Charlie McKenna	Chelsea Singleton
Liam Atkinson	Mason Crowe	Andrew Holmes	Rhiannon Mellor	Lily Singleton
Louana Avison	Kirsty Cura	Toby Holt	Harry Milburn	Thomas Singleton
Matthew Bamber	Marcy Cura	Faye Houghton	Connor Monaghan	Nicole Slater-Campbell
Brynley Bamford	Eyre Daly Finn	Madison Howarth	Jaymie Nicholson	Kaitlyn Smith
Ethan Barbarewicz	Megan Daly Finn	Oliver Hughes	Timus Nixon	Katie Spencer
Caitlin Barnett	James Danby	Daisy Hulce	Ruby Onokhul	Ernest Szala
Connor Bashall	Luke Davis	Adam Ingram	Samuel Parkinson	Bradley Taylor
Harvey Beardsworth	Megan Deacon	Robbie Ingram	Leo Pearson	Danny Taylor
Madison Bell	Harvey Dimmock	Amber Jackson	Max Pearson	Joshua Taylor
Uvi Benson	Abbi Doherty	Daniel Jackson	Benjamin Poole	Louise Temperini
Owen Black	Kyle Doherty	Harvey Jackson	Chloe Pritchard	Joshua Turner
Eryn Bridges	Jodie Dootson	Aaron Jones	Mandy Pritchard	Samantha Turner
Grace Brown	Charlie Eastham	Rhys Jones	Benjamin Proctor	Stephen Unsworth - Richardson
Wiktorla Budzinska	Samuel Eastwood	Samuel Jordan	Daniel Rainford	Nina Walker
Alastair Burdus	Alexandra Fliegau	Mia Kay	Josie-Mae Ralphson	Harry Walton
Faye Butterworth	James Flood	Corys Keane	William Reed	Caitlyn Ward
Cameron Capstick	Rhiannon Garfield-Lane	Leah Kennan	Abbie Rees-Sharples	Brendan Whittingham
Nathan Care	Lilly Gibbs	Daniel Keregyarto	Jonathan Rigby	Samuel Wilson
Heather Cawley	Ryan Goulding	Olivia Kurovska	Patrick Rogers	Bartosz Wroniewski
Ellie-May Wolstenholme	Jack Woolf	Jakub Wozniak	Lucy Wright	Millie Wits
Joseph Yates	Pipp Ziemba			

However, we have not yet said our goodbyes! On Wednesday 11th November, we have booked Shaw Hill Golf club and are going to give our students the send-off they deserve. It is going to be a double celebration; a time where we not only reminisce and look forward but also a time where they will receive their official GCSE certificates. We hope that they will all be able to join us and we cannot wait to see them!

*Every Story has an End
But in Life every
End is just a new Beginning
We have come to the end
of your journey in
School, so now - now it is your
time...*

GO SHINE!



**BROWNEDGE ST MARY'S
CATHOLIC HIGH SCHOOL**
'Let your light shine'


**YOU ARE
AMAZING!**
LET'S GO OUT THERE
**AND
SHINE**

Brownedge Writers

Brownedge Writers' Group began five years ago and sadly that means two of our original members will be leaving us this year. They've entertained us and made us cry. Through writing together, we've shared different points of view, encouraged a greater depth of thought and understanding, and explored our own feelings as well as those of others. I'm looking forward to the next five years and hope we'll hear from our Year 11 leavers in the years to come. Hopefully, we'll see them in print too.

It's been a strange time for all of us and Writers' Group have used their creativity to reflect on the experience of lockdown, imaginatively expressing their thoughts and feelings. Members of the group have also shared previous work – to make us think, to lift us and to entertain us. I know you will be impressed, as I have been, when you read their words.



Darkest is the night that follows;
After death, after war,
After the mood has hollows.
The darkness enters, uncalled for.

Brightest is the light that glimmers;
In the cold, in the grey.
Deadliest is the snake that shimmers;
Waiting in the fray.

Slithers does it? Through the grass?
It is unexpected, a sudden taint.
In time however, all death can pass.
It is unexpected, pray to a Saint.

For the skulls that line night's road;
Little do we know.
For do we not see the expiring load?
From which we do source our power, from snow;

Empty are the crates that are carried
Onto the ships.
For all coldness is derived from warmth, and parried
When the Devil licks his lips.

By James Gardner

The complications of story making
Just another story thing
It was a normal day in the train station to
meet people- im not making this clear enough
am i?
There is magic
So... where do I start?
You can do what you want you have complete
control like making a train go by and derail
killing everyone or just have someone send
the entire world to space
You do realise the planet is in space
Have it merge into the sun
So where is this going for a story?
And the place name- well all the names
Ask google?
Sure

By Jonathan Rigby

Concrete

Concrete,
That's what we're standing on,
But what are,
Our thoughts,
If we're told to stay indoors,
We have no idea,
We panic, we're scared,
But there's a light,
At the end of the tunnel,
And we should all be prepared,
The outside world awaits us,
And what we will bring,
Will it be the same old?
Or will there be a new spring?

By Jack Deacon

Sewing

I have sewn my way out of anxiety
by making things for the people I love
Making this dress
for my niece,
I turned a corner.

I can do this.

I have made mistakes
and had to pluck,
sometimes rip,
my way out.
Sometimes it's not easy.
But I know

I can do this.

Turning a piece of fabric into
a doll
a cushion cover
a pencil case
a comfort
a token
a heartfelt thank you
makes it feel
like I can do this.

By A Evans

Obedience

We're told to stay indoors,
And yet we rush outside
We're told to stay away from everyone we know and love
Except we don't
We cling on
Not knowing if or when you will ever see your friends
Your family
Your nearest and dearest
Many of us clap to show support for our wonderful NHS
But it means nothing when you flout Lockdown regulations
Now more than ever we need to be there for people,
To talk, to help
Because now more than ever many people are struggling
Mentally, physically and emotionally
Lockdown can be hard,
Often unbearable,
But our world needs one thing,
One thing that this world doesn't seem to have,
Obedience

By Steph Ramsden



Prefect News

Some of you may have watched our first ever live stream announcement of our Senior Prefects for 2020-21.

We made some changes to the way we appoint Prefects last year. For the first time ever we decided to adopt an 'opt-out' policy. That meant that all pupils could be a Prefect if they wanted the responsibility. Prefects help teachers run the school. They do duties and support behaviour management, enforce school rules and maintain a sense of order and compliance among their peers and younger pupils. It is a position of responsibility and leadership. Prefects can then apply to be Senior Prefects. Senior Prefects have additional responsibilities and the expectations are greater in terms of leadership and commitment. 73 pupils applied to be Senior Prefects. Having studied the applications and consulting all teaching staff, we appointed 55 Senior Prefects.

Next year's Prefects will have a more demanding task than ever before. We will be returning to school in September for the first time in nearly six months and many pupils will be anxious and unsure, especially our new students in Year 7. Year 7 students have not had the opportunity to familiarise themselves with school through an induction programme due to COVID restrictions. We will be operating split breaks and lunches and movement around school will be very different. Life in school may be very different for some time. Prefects will not only have to adapt to these new ways themselves but also support the younger pupils and nurture them through their journey out of Lockdown.

As the member of staff responsible for Prefects I have no doubt that our new Year 11 Prefects will be amazing. I have been overwhelmed with the number of Prefects and those who applied to be Seniors. Well done to you all and I look forward to supporting you as you grow into your new leadership roles in school. Needless to say, prefects can always be promoted to Seniors, so if pupils were unsuccessful in their applications, do not be disheartened. Work hard, show determination and resilience and you will be rewarded.

Here is a reminder of the pupils who received our most Senior positions:

Head Girl	Stephanie Ramsden
Head Boy	Ben Lang
Deputy Head Girl	Kate Burrows
Deputy Head Boy	Ashley Henry
Games captain(Girl)	Caitlyn Ward
Games captain(Boy)	Regan Wilkinson
House Captains	Bosco
	Holly Lawson
	Seb Mellis
Drexel	Natasha Bland
	Ben Dixon
Kolbe	Martha Close
	Daniel Rimmer
Romero	Shae Kirkpatrick
	Ben Hawkyard
Teresa	Rosie Walsh
	Deepesh Naik



CONGRATULATIONS!

Twitter Fun

"Use you God-given gifts to serve others" Peter 4:10

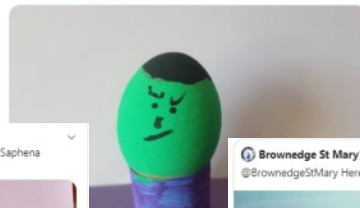
Brownedge St Mary's @BrownedgeStMary · Apr 11
Famous people eggstravagans competition... Nice try Mrs Pontifex, didn't know you could be so creative...but hold on... #Frozen #BSMEasterFun



Brownedge St Mary's @BrownedgeStMary · Apr 9
Famous people eggstravagans competition...fabulous work Saphena #OneDirection #BSMEasterFun



Brownedge St Mary's @BrownedgeStMary · Apr 9
Famous people eggstravagans competition...Think we can all guess this one Joel #Hulk #BSMEasterFun



Brownedge St Mary's @BrownedgeStMary · Apr 11
Famous people eggstravagans competition...AMAZING entry by Gracie Chambers #FrontRunner #BSMEasterFun



Brownedge St Mary's Chaplaincy @BSM_Chaplaincy · Apr 17
@BrownedgeStMary Here's my Popech Egg!



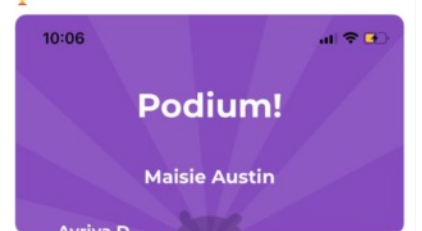
Brownedge St Mary's @BrownedgeStMary · May 6
Are you a Brownedge Community Champion? Have you demonstrated our Gospel Value of the week - Kindness? Have you thanked a key worker? Have you helped a sibling with home learning? Have you helped an elderly relative or someone less fortunate? Let us know



Brownedge St Mary's @BrownedgeStMary · Apr 7
Big shout out to morrisons who have donated food parcels for some of our vulnerable families #hugethanks 🙌🙏💕



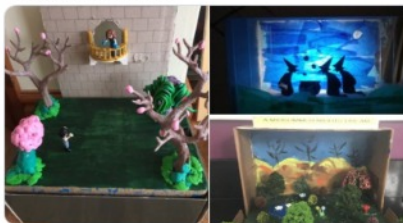
Brownedge St Mary's PE Department @BSM_PE · May 17
Well done to Maisie on winning this week's Kahoot! on Principles of Training!



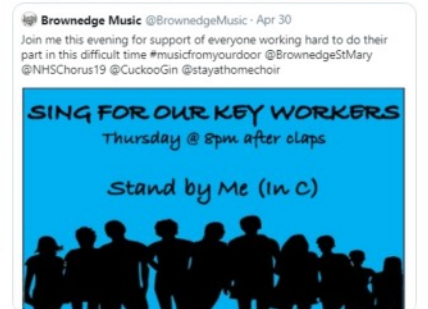
Brownedge St Mary's @BrownedgeStMary · Apr 21
A HUGE thank you to our technology team for making these visors for our local care homes 🙌🙏 and a HUGE thank you to the care homes for all the excellent work you are doing x



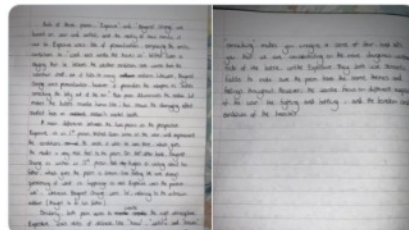
BSM Expressive Arts @BSM_ExpArts · Jun 7
Year 7 Drama pupils have been sending me images of their Shakespeare shoe box stage designs and I really love them! Some of my favourites are from Charlotte, Alice & Jasmine:



BSM Expressive Arts @BSM_ExpArts · Apr 30
Whose joining us? Come on your fabulous lot! #musicfromyourdoor



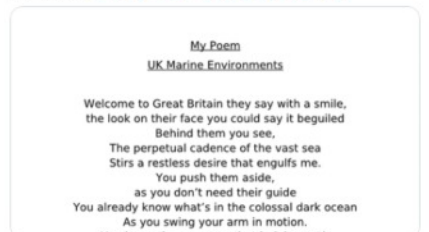
@BrownedgeStMaryEnglish @BrownedgeStMar1 · May 1
Another amazing achievement, comparing #BayonetCharge and #Exposure for #AQAGCE English - well done year 10. Fantastic home learning.



BSM Expressive Arts @BSM_ExpArts · Jun 4
Love this! Well done 🙌🙏💕



BSM Science @BSM_Science · May 15
Some beautiful work by one of our Year 7 students as part of her science work from home #homelearning #bsmfamly #letyourlightshine



BSM Maths @MathsBsm · Apr 27



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Year 9 Buddies

We have a fabulous new Buddy group that have recently been enrolled. We are super excited to offer a warm welcome and walk alongside and support our new Year 7 pupils. We are a group of 37 Year 9 pupils who have been using some of our home learning time to think of ways in which we can best support our Year 7 friends. Our House Buddy captains are:

Bosco House: Gracie Chambers

Drexel House: Aiden Beattie

Kolbe House: Beverley Onyesi

Romero House: Maddison Brierley

Teresa House: Alessia Biazetti

We look forward to meeting all Year 7 and sharing great times with you very soon. Take care, God bless,
The Buddy Group



RE Lockdown Work

Our wonderful Brownedge students have been working hard in RE this term, rising to the challenge of remote learning. We have sent off entries for a National 'Spirited Arts' competition – students could choose from 5 themes and present their ideas in any creative way they wanted. They were also required to submit a short piece of writing explaining their ideas. The most popular themes amongst our students were 'Where is God?' and 'God's Good Earth?'.

Over Easter we asked students to make Easter gardens and send us photos. They had to be creative as this was at the height of lockdown so they couldn't go to the shops for supplies – we have some absolutely brilliant gardens sent to us! Even though we are in a virtual classroom students have continued to think big – examining big questions of life and setting them in the context of the life of Jesus; who was Jesus, what do we know about him? How can we follow his example?

Students have enthusiastically joined in with online lessons, enjoying the opportunity to share ideas with their rest of their class. We've had some great discussions in our virtual classroom – do miracles still happen today? Why do some people receive a miracle and others don't - are miracles actually unfair? Are prayers answered?

Students have written their own parables, and taken over the social media accounts of Jesus, the prodigal son, Zacchaeus the tax collector and the disciples. They've imagined they witnessed miracles, they've imagined the fear and apprehension of the disciples as they listened to Jesus' command to 'follow me'.

They've rewritten the Our Father as a text message, created job adverts for disciples and written nomination speeches for a 'Christian of the Year' award. They've researched and analysed images of Jesus in art, thinking about what the artist is trying to say about Jesus and then represented their own ideas about Jesus through art.

It's been a busy, creative, active term! Well done to all our students – and we are looking forward to having you back in a real classroom in September!

Today 19:38

Our Father 🙏
Who art 📺 in heaven ☁️,
Hallowed 📺 be Thy name.
Thy King 🙏 - dom come,
Thy will be done ✅, on earth 🌍
As it is in heaven ☁️.
Give us this day 📅
Our daily 📅 bread 🍞,
And forgive 🙏 us our
trespasses 🙏,
As we forgive 🙏 those who
trespass 🙏 against us.
Lead 🙏 us not into
temptation 🙏
But deliver us from evil 🙏.
For thine is the King 🙏 - dom,
The power 🙏 and the glory 🙏
Forever 🙏 and ever,
Amen 🙏

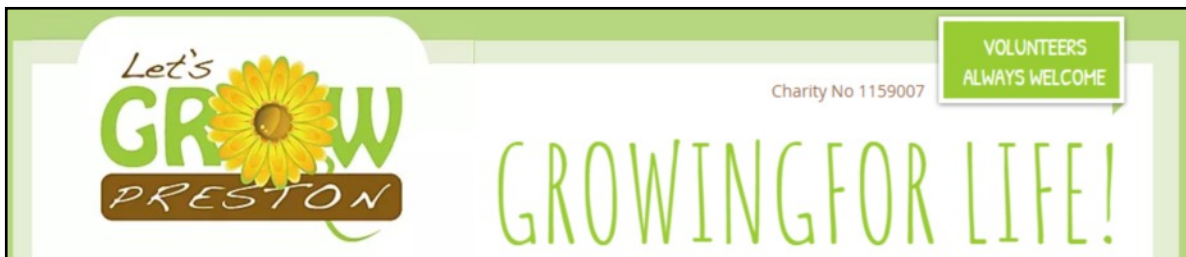
Delivered

Follow us on Instagram to see what our students have been up to: [re_at_brownedge](#)

Brownedge Beautiful Garden

God said, "See, I give you every seed-bearing plant that is upon all the earth, and every tree that has seed-bearing fruit; they shall be yours for food" - Genesis 1:29

Since Lockdown, the garden area at Brownedge St Mary's has been extended and now has 5 beds, with a 6th and 7th in planning. The fruit trees donated by South Ribble Council are all doing well, the apples and pear trees all flowered and have some fruit on them, an unexpected bonus for year 1! We have had broad beans, garlic, onions so far and have potatoes, cabbages, cauliflowers and brussel sprouts coming along.



During Lockdown Mr Wilson, the Behaviour Support Mentor, has begun to volunteer with Let's Grow Preston which is a fantastic community environmental charity working in Preston, and as part of their charitable cause, they support local school gardening projects. They are all about helping local communities brighten up their areas and neighbourhoods with a wide range of planting projects, such as community gardens, food growing projects as well as groups that are focusing on improving woodlands or parks. There are many small projects that focus on small areas like a local flowerbed or larger areas such as an extensive wildflower meadow.

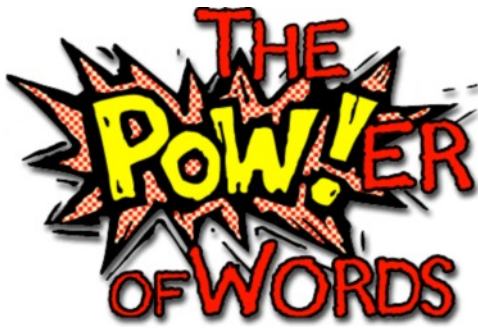
Let's Grow Preston is dedicated to helping improve the impact of these groups and activities, as well as developing new groups and activities, by providing training, volunteer opportunities and volunteers along with access to resources and materials.

If you are interested in getting involved in community environmental activities in Preston or would like to set up your group or project, or are interested in volunteering with them, please do get in touch with them at www.letsgrowpreston.org or by email letsgrowpreston@gmail.com

Let's Grow Preston have given our garden project a range of plants and seeds that will be planted before the summer – beetroot, peas, beans, leeks, rhubarb, brussel sprouts and kale – these will give us a fantastic start to the Autumn term and are hoping to support them in return with some produce for them to supply to local food banks.

Next year it would be great to welcome pupils to an environmental/garden club, there are plenty of projects to get stuck in to, including hopefully a polytunnel to enable us to cope with all weathers! Anyone that would like to help please get in touch with Mr Wilson.

The Power of Words



Year 7 and Year 8 students have been exploring powerful narratives, poetry and non-fiction throughout Lockdown. Inspired by great writers, many of

our students have demonstrated hope and courage to produce letters, poetry, descriptions, stories and journals that have the potential to change the world. If you don't believe me, just read them.

Here are just two of the amazing pieces submitted during Lockdown:

Greek Myths 'Cat and her Food'
written by Tyler Brundrett 7R

One day there was a girl called Cat. She was a beautiful girl with a heart of gold but she loved to eat. She ate all the food in the village! No matter what she ate she just couldn't get full so she would eat more and more. She ate so much that she left the village without any food. This angered the local people so much that they decided to teach her a lesson.

They decided to start poisoning some of the food that only they knew about. Soon enough Cat became ill and she had no idea why she was ill, but it didn't stop her eating everything. The local people carried on poisoning her until one day a witch came to the village and saw what the local people were doing to Cat. She couldn't believe it and chose to help Cat.

The witch found out that Cat had a problem with eating, which she couldn't control, but she also knew there was a beautiful girl inside and out, who meant no harm to anyone. So, the witch decided to turn Cat in to the most beautiful thing she could think of. Cat wouldn't need to eat as much anymore and would look even more beautiful.

Cat went to sleep and slowly transformed in to a blue and purple butterfly.

The local people were amazed and a bit jealous of Cat as she had the ability to fly and flutter about. Cat went on to live a happy life travelling around, and the local people got their food supply back.



Hana's Suitcase Poem by Josh Holland 8B
Separation

Whistles screeching,
Guards barking,
Guns blazing,
Dogs snarling,
And you're leaving.

To the East they say,
They won't let you stay,
I check the list every day,
With heavy-heart dismay.

Oh, Mother, Father, George?
Where have you gone?
Grandma is with Jesus;
I feel so alone.

Today provides hope for the day,
Today my name is in print,
Today I get to board and say,
'I'm coming, I'm on my way.'

I am not sure where or when
And the wheels screech and grind,
We're cooped up like animals
But today I don't mind.

I have my rock Ella in which to lean
And she is singing to me a sweet song
Of home, many shoes and of centipedes;
My unison with you can't be that long.

The train screams to a halt,
In straight lines we must form,
Two girls have been picked out;
Petrified, we conform.

With the blinding searchlights
And the deafening shouts,
We are marched off to a building
On the order of "Take them now!"

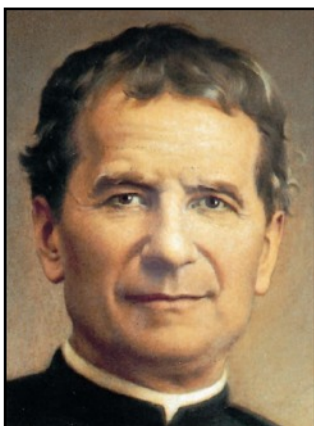
Alone and yet not alone;
All scared, all hungry, all cold,
You would be proud of me George,
Your little sister so bold.

In the building I put my hopes,
Hopes and Dreams of you being there,
Perhaps fixing a dirty 'lav',
Bereft and saddened I may be
But I won't give in to despair.

BOSCO

What an extraordinary time we are living through. We have missed you so much since March when we were all last together as a school family. In September, our parallel paths will converge once again. We will be presented with opportunities, with choices, and with chances to grow. If this period has taught us anything, it is that we must seize every moment and make it count. I have to say I am really looking forward to seeing all your faces again, the building is not the same without you. It is just that, a building. All of you, the noise, energy and life that you bring, are what make it so much more. We are so very proud of all of you, for the work you have done to keep pushing yourselves—this really is extraordinary! And for everything we hear about the way in which you have helped your families during this time. Keep going! Wishing you all a happy and relaxing summer.

Mrs Bland



Gospel Value Awards

Hope	Justice	Kindness	Patience	Courage
Saphena Parker	Charlotte Walmsley	Ella Daubney	Ethan Armstrong-Lewis	Husam Al Hallak

Special recognition for outstanding engagement during lockdown

Ben Rainford	Aysha Jones	Kyle Newman	Alice Chambers
Iris Singleton	Aimee Dobson	Alex Monk	Georgia Treverton
Josh Holland	Anya McLouchlin	Scarlet Bamber	Holly Lawson
Gracie Chambers	Maisie Austin	Charlotte Duke	

House Captains

Seb Mellis

Holly Lawson

"Do not lose any time. Do good, do all the good you can and you will never regret doing it."

Saint John Bosco

DREXEL

What a journey we have all been on this academic year! Our last collective celebration was for St Katharine Drexel's Feast Day - for that I am truly grateful. However, although we may not have been together in school, we still have much to celebrate as a House and school community. Everyone has played their part in some way by being kind, helpful, understanding and supportive to friends and family. Many of you have gone above and beyond without giving it a second thought. As the Summer holiday approaches, it is important to continue to

look after each other, maybe reflect on what we have or haven't done and look to make positive changes. I look forward to seeing all of you in the Autumn Term, refreshed and ready for a new set of challenges and giving our new Year 7 an extra special Brownedge welcome! Take care.

Gospel Value Awards

Hope	Justice	Kindness	Patience	Courage
Aiden Beattie	Tom Woods	Gabrielle Molyneux	Katie Bird	Nathan Smeaton-Cox

Special recognition for outstanding engagement during lockdown

Charlie Botham	Rebecca Walsh	Tom Woods	Ashley Henry
Jasmine	Finlay Anderson	Joel Chester	Emily Knell
Counsell-Thomas	Abigail Aspinall	Isabelle	Natasha Bland
Lewis Tetlow	Isabelle Evans	Counsell-Thomas	Elise Brewer
Lily Dobson			

House Captains

Natasha Bland

Ben Dixon

"If we wish to serve God and love our neighbour well, we must manifest our joy in the service we render to Him and them. Let us open wide our hearts. It is joy which invites us. Press forward and fear nothing."

Saint Katharine Drexel

Mrs Canfield



KOLBE

Hello Kolbe House! We have been living through strange times haven't we and when confronted with difficult, challenging situations we need to dig deep and be resilient. Life is rarely easy and it is through dealing with challenge that we become stronger and more resilient. Our motto is 'have courage and be kind' and hopefully you all have managed to do that in your own unique ways.

Gospel Value Awards				
Hope	Justice	Kindness	Patience	Courage
Zane Derbyshire	Grace Woods-Porter	Daisie Clinton	Reagan Masterson	Sadie Halton

Special recognition for outstanding engagement during lockdown			
Poppy Kay	Liam Kilbane	Keira Hopla	Kate Burrows
Khia Swindlehurst	Kiera Nightingale-Turner	Niamh Hopla	Ben Lang
Kieran Rowlings	Callie Atkinson	Jasmine Burdus	Daniel Rimmer
Sadie Halton		Ella Temperini	

House Captains	
Daniel Rimmer	Martha Close

"No one in the world can change truth. What we can do and should do is to seek truth and to serve it when we have found it. The real conflict is the inner conflict. Beyond armies of occupation and extermination camps, there are two irreconcilable enemies in the depth of every soul: good and evil. What use are the victories on the battlefield if we ourselves are defeated in our innermost personal selves?"
Saint Maximilian Kolbe

Many of you have worked extremely hard over the last few months and the names on this page are some of those who have indeed excelled. Well done! I look forward to seeing you all in September.

Mr Wilson



ROMERO

Well, what an unpredictable journey this year has been, full of twists and turns along the way. As a House we have shared and celebrated successes, both collective and individual throughout the year, but have also been there for each other during the tougher times. Since we were last together in March, you have all shown incredible courage, resilience, kindness and patience during these truly challenging times. Your community spirit has shone though, as many of you have ensured those less fortunate than yourselves had everything they needed, from shopping to company (albeit virtual) to get them through this period. Many of you have continued to strive to achieve in your studies; the standard of engagement and work in your online lessons have been incredible to witness, well done to you all!

As the summer holidays approach, it is important that we reflect and rest. I am looking forward to seeing you all in September for the start of the new school year, when we can all welcome our new Year 7 pupils. Take care.

Mr Hayhurst



Gospel Value Awards				
Hope	Justice	Kindness	Patience	Courage
Harry Plaskowski	Linkin Valentine	Neve Sailsbury	Harvey Wallin	Seth Jackson

Special recognition for outstanding engagement during lockdown			
Ella Bibby	Poppy Beardsworth	Scarlett Howarth	Shea Woodhouse
Tyler Brundrett	Amy Knight Garcia	Amy Loughton	Shea Kirkpatrick
Nicole Till	Matthew Ramsden	Lewis Cartwright	Leon Murphy
Harrison Hardacre		Grace Hindley	Niamh Murphy

House Captains	
Shae Kirkpatrick	Ben Hawkyard

"We Cannot do everything, and there is a sense of liberation in realizing that. This enables us to do something, and do it very well. It may be incomplete, but it is a beginning, a step along the way, an opportunity for the Lord's grace to enter and do the rest"
Saint Oscar Romero

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TERESA

We have been most impressed in the way you have adapted to the new way of teaching and learning that was thrust upon us all and the effort you have shown. Your communication skills have grown in confidence and those who have shown exceptional and outstanding engagement are being rewarded, as we always have rewarded you at the end of the year in our celebration assemblies.

We are really looking forward to welcoming you back into school in September.



Mrs Ainsworth and Mrs Hewitt

Gospel Value Awards

Hope	Justice	Kindness	Patience	Courage
Shaneese Lee	Kamil Poreba	Olivia Richardson	Gemma James	Alex Carnovale

Special recognition for outstanding engagement during lockdown

Alice Garfield-Lane	Frank Conroy	Lillian	Giulia Biazatti
TJ Grech	Madeleine Hughes	Parkinson-Shaw	Fredi Bruno
Isaac Parkinson	Varissa Surti	Archie Porter	Amber Titterington
Caitlin Wikberg	Angele Tolentino	Agrita Rafaele	Caitlin Ward

House Captains

Rosie Walsh	Deepesh Naik
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"Not all of us can do great things, but we can do small things with great love"

Mother Teresa

Happy summer to you all

Looking forward to having you all back
God bless

September 2020 Opening Days

Year Group	Start Time	Date
Year 7	8.50am	Thursday 3 rd September
Year 11	10.00am	Friday 4 th September
Year 8	8.50am	Monday 7 th September
Year 9	11.30am	Monday 7 th September
Year 10	12.30pm	Monday 7 th September