

# **CHRIST the KING**

CATHOLIC HIGH SCHOOL

## Spreading all good things within our school community!

A warm welcome to all our students and hope you enjoy the summer term newsletter. We continue to change as a school and you all make our school a very special place. As you will be aware we expect the very best from everyone and that includes how we wear our school uniform not only in school but to and from home. I have already written to your parents reminding them that from September students in Years 7-10 will need to wear a school blazer. Jumpers are optional and so you do not need to wear a jumper as well but as the weather changes in autumn you may wish to wear your boys and girls. Some other changes will be in place including classroom adaptations to make things better for you!

As we approach the end of term, I would like to thank Miss Montgomery, our Deputy Headteacher who will be leaving our school and taking up a new position at another school. I hope you take time to thank her for all her service to our school over the last 12 years. Furthermore, I would also like to thank Mr Beetham for his continued service at CtK teaching maths and supporting many school related activities over the last 20 years. We wish Mr Beetham all the very best in his retirement and hope you find time to thank him as well. As we approach the end of term, I wanted to wish you all the very best and hope you have a safe and happy summer holiday with your family and friends. We look forward to welcoming you back to our school in September smartly dressed and ready to learn!

God bless,

Mr S N Corless

# ClassCharts Reward Shop

Open every Friday at 12:40
Opposite the Astro



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## **Duke of Edinburgh**

The Duke of Edinburgh Bronze participants had a fantastic qualifying expedition on the last weekend of June, where they all met the criteria for the award and showed brilliant resilience and teamwork throughout the weekend.

On Saturday morning they were dropped off in Chipping with their backpacks, containing all of their food, water, clothing, cooking utensils, tents and sleeping bags and walked for seven hours through the local areas (in the rain!) to reach Waddecar campsite. Here, they pitched their tents, cooked their dinners and had a few songs around the campfire

while reflecting on the tremendous day they had. On Sunday they packed up and walked from camp along the River Brock, finishing their expedition in high spirits at Beacon Fell. This was a huge achievement for them all and they really did themselves proud.

They have been completing their volunteering, skills and physical sections of the award within school through the various co-curricular clubs, such as Eco Club litter picking, book monitoring in the library, refereeing in PE and much more. We look forward to them receiving their awards in the near future.

## **Maths**

At February half-term, some of our students took part in the "Maths on Merseyside" competition run through the University of Liverpool. Students had to answer some fiendish questions on the thei



constellations. Congratulations to Dilojan Lingeswaran (Year 10) who won the "Best in School" for the senior challenge and Oscar Dutton (Year 8) for the junior challenge. Oscar was also the recipient of a certificate of merit - a highly prestigious award given out to students who produce outstanding work. Oscar was invited to visit the university to collect his award. Well done to everyone who took part!

This term we were also able to take a group of year 9 students to LUSoM to watch a lecture on the "Maths of Pokémon" by Dr Tom Crawford (TomRocksMaths) from the University of Oxford. The lecture was superb and our students were outstanding, impressing us with both their knowledge of Pokémon and binary! Thank you to



LUSoM for extending the invite to this fantastic enrichment activity.





As another year draws to a close I would like to thank all the students, staff and volunteers for all of their hard work during PSHE lessons and Extended Learning Days. This year we have been exceptionally lucky to have a number of visitors to CtK including Wigan Warriors, Lancashire Fire and Rescue, Lancashire Police and Explore Learning to name a few. These Enrichment days will continue next year and we hope they will be as successful as they have been this year.

I would like to draw your attention to a couple of important safety messages. As the weather warms up the desire to cool off in open water becomes very enticing. Please

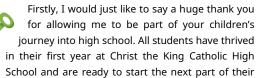
reinforce with your child the dangers of open water and that if they do find themselves in danger, "Float to Live".

During form time, all students have been watching a rail safety video as part of the "Switched on Rail Safety" campaign. Unfortunately, in recent months there have been incidents of trespass on the lines around Preston. Please talk to your child and discuss both the danger and legal implications of taking this risk. For more information on both campaigns please visit: <a href="https://switchedonrailsafety.co.uk/">https://switchedonrailsafety.co.uk/</a> and <a href="https://snli.org/safety/float">https://switchedonrailsafety.co.uk/</a> and <a href="https://snli.org/safety/float">https://snli.org/safety/float</a>



Let's see what the 2024-25 academic year holds as we embark on a new journey of personal development, discovery and enrichment.

#### Year 7



journey under the guidance of Mrs Dodd. Throughout the year students have been involved in various Interhouse tournaments including tug of war and badminton. A number of students were involved in Town Sports, Rounders and Football competitions representing Christ the King brilliantly throughout. Overall students have achieved an impressive 105,810 positive merits as a collective year group- what a superb achievement.

"You have brains in your head. You have feet in your shoes. You can steer yourself any direction you choose." Dr Seuss.

Miss Williams

## Year 8

Thank you for a great term. Don't forget to get the correct uniform and P.E. Kit ahead of September. Congratulations to all of the students who have earned a place on this year's End of Year Rewards Trip, you will have a fantastic time! Keep safe over the summer holidays and most of all, have a lovely break.



Miss Nayee, Mrs Beetham, Mr Ismail, Mr McKenna and Miss Collado

## Year 9

Out students this term have had an exciting time with a trip to UCLAN to explore the exquisite facilities and fascinating departments in our local area. The students considered their future choices which they found informative, they looked at their options when studying Law at University

and a took part in a photography workshop which was very enjoyable, competitive and creative!

Our students have also been working hard both academically and in other avenues around School by participating in keeping our environment tidy, being team players in our annual Tug-O-War competition, growing their adored sunflowers, welcoming new students

to our school and are all set for their Duke of Edinburgh trip next week. They have also received their confirmed Option Choices now which is exciting as they begin their new journey into KS4 in September.

Miss Brown

## Year 10

Year 10 have had another fantastic term.

Congratulations to our new prefects, it was an honour to read through all of the applications and conduct the interviews. We are delighted to announce the Head Prefect Team for our next academic year is:

- Head Boy Oscar Schneider
- Head Girl Yusra Bagas
- Deputy Head Boy Dilojan Lingeswaran
- Deputy Head Girl Cassie Ekins

Year 10 have attended their college taster days and we hope they enjoyed these and feel prepared for their futures. The majority of the year have also attended work experience, and it was great to be able to go out and visit them all in their respective



placements. We are so proud of each of them for representing themselves, and our school, in such a positive way. A huge well done to Ricardo (10G) who currently has the highest number of merits in Year 10. A fantastic achievement!

Miss Wilkinson, Miss Dickson, Mr Pearson, Mrs Noblet, Mr Beetham and Mr Ghakou would like to congratulate all of Year 10 on a great year and we look forward to Year 11.

Miss Wilkinson

## Year 11



Year 11 are now relieved to have completed all of their external examinations. These went on for over 4 weeks and it is a very pressured time for the students and their teachers. To mark the

end of their time with us at CtK we had a Leavers Liturgy in our school hall, a time to come together as a community in reflection and prayer. We were delighted that Father Chapple was able to lead us in our worship on this special occasion. It was also a chance for us to share memories, distribute a Leavers Book as well as look forward to the next step for Year 11. Many parents were able to join us on this day and we would like to thank all of our parents for their continued support.

Two events remain, the Prom and results day. Prom is on July the 4th. A final chance to say goodbye and see our Year 11's in all their finery. Results day is Thursday 22 of August. It is important that all students attend on this day to pick up their results. They will be required to take a screen shot of their results to upload to colleges to secure their college places for next year.

Mrs Dodd