



# ST GABRIEL'S

ROMAN CATHOLIC HIGH SCHOOL

## PRONUNTIO



July 2015



### Year 11 Leavers

Our Year 11 pupils played out their final few weeks at St. Gabriel's in their usual good manner. After a memorable and amusing final assembly, we were treated to an emotional final mass, celebrated by Father Paul and Father Chris.

It was then on to the part we all dread: the exams. Year 11 conducted themselves brilliantly throughout the process, showing a great commitment to succeed as well as supporting each other.

This wonderful class of 2015 could then cut loose and they celebrated in style on 23rd June at the Village Hotel, Bury during their well-deserved and much anticipated school prom. It was a superb evening that began with the students arriving in traditional dress, but by often untraditional means of transport! It was a very proud moment for us all to see how far you have all come during your time with us. We will miss you a great deal; you have been a credit.

Good luck with your future plans and God bless. **Mr Nelson**

### Linking Children together with HUGS (Helping Ugandan Schools)

St Gabriel's was delighted to welcome Sister Theresa Abigaba, the Director from our partner school in Uganda, who was on a flying visit to the UK. This was her first visit to our school and she came bringing many gifts and stories from the Good Shepherd School. Mr Smith enjoyed the opportunity to be updated about resources for mainstream education in Uganda and appreciate the challenges of class sizes of up to 100! The Good Shepherd School specialises in teaching children with learning difficulties and many of the gifts had been made by the children in the workshops, making goods for use in the school or to sell. The main focus is to provide pupils with vocational skills, which will allow them to be self-sufficient in the future and contribute to their local economy. Previously, pupils with learning difficulties would not have been able to access any form of education. Sister Theresa wrote on her return, "I will never forget the hospitality, love and kindness you showed me when I came to your school. God bless you."

80 Pupils in year 9 RE classes and 7B have taken part in the first stage of our partnership work to establish more sharing of ideas and experiences. Pupils from St Gabriel's wrote letters of introduction, or designed posters about our school, to the pupils in Uganda and were delighted when the Year 4 class reciprocated with letters, amazing illustrations and enlightening details of life in Uganda. Their teacher, Friday John, wrote that, they were so happy after receiving the letters from pupils of St Gabriel's and that their enthusiasm for producing replies has included improving their English grammar, practising their writing, developing creative skills in drawing for the first time and even practising music to share at a later date!

We look forward to developing the pen pal project further in 2015/16 and gaining a greater awareness of the lives of the children involved. We continue to also support the school by fundraising efforts including our annual Coffee Morning and donations from the African Jigsaw musical evenings. Thanks as well goes to Mr Reynolds who completed the Great Manchester Cycle, with his daughters, in aid of Bury African Outreach.

### I hope you enjoy reading our summer edition of Pronuntio.

There is so much to celebrate this year. I wish to thank everyone in our school community for their generous support. Have a lovely summer break.

**Mr S.A. Smith**



# Motiv8

Year 8 enjoying a range of workshops on careers, learning strategies, team building and motivation on the Motiv8 day in April.



## Girls' Toilet Refurbishment

At long last we are able to renovate the girls' toilets in the main school by the hall. We are knocking everything through, including all the old cubicles, sinks and all internal walls. The structural work is quite detailed and expensive. All the girls in school have been shown the new plans, design and finished colour schemes. It looks very impressive and modern. As the work is very detailed we are having to shut these toilets from Travel Day onwards and the girls will be using the toilets in the John Banks Building. The contract will last through the summer but hopefully will be completed towards the end of August in readiness for the new school year.

A letter has been sent to all parents asking for help in funding the project and hopefully we will raise a considerable amount of money through the sponsored walk. Any donations big or small will be very gratefully accepted.

As always, we are making great progress in providing the best possible facilities for the children and staff and improving our environment for learning.



## Light Fever

After the success of Light Fever during the SION School Mission week, the Pupil Chaplains decided to hold our own St Gabriel's Light Fever. Light Fever is essentially very simple – opening our churches and schools as a place of prayer, and inviting anyone to come inside. The vision of Light Fever is to give people the opportunity to encounter the Living Presence of God, through Christ in the Eucharist, exposed on the altar. During lunch time, pupils and staff were able to light a candle and say a prayer. Pupils were able to stay as long as they wanted and were encouraged to write down prayer intentions, and draw a word of scripture from baskets.



Light Fever is a day time version of Night Fever which began following the World Youth Day with Pope Benedict XVI held in Cologne in 2005; it has since spread across Europe, to North America, South America and Australasia!

## Fundraising

Many of the pupils have been trying hard to raise funds for St. Joseph's Penny. Ellie Corrigan of Year 8 decided to organise an Easter hamper raffle with the help of Mrs Lord from Curriculum Support. She got so many contributions that they were able to make two hampers. In the first week of selling tickets she had raised over £70. Well done, Ellie!



# Democracy in Action

During the General Election, St Gabriel's ran our very own mock election. We also had a month of learning about democracy, how different countries are run, and democratic and electoral processes in PSHE. During this time, pupils are also discussed in RE whether or not we should involve ourselves with politics, from a religious perspective. Pupils were enthusiastic to discuss how our country should be run and had lots of opportunities and different forums to do this.

In PSHE, Year 7, 8 and 9 pupils formed their own mock political party discussing how they think our country should be run and what we could do to improve as a nation. One political party was elected from each form to represent their views in a whole year group assembly. The whole year group were then invited to a polling station to take part in an election for the political party they thought were most suited to rule our great nation. It was inspiring to see how many young people had such strong opinions and the ability to communicate those views clearly, coherently and convincingly to their peers. Not to mention sometimes humorously!

## The election results...

Year 7 had a clear winner with 79 votes: The CALMIE Trust who had clear policies with the main focus being animal rights.

Year 8 was a bit closer with two potential winners: HOT and SPICY and 8CAC. The winner by just five votes was 8CAC (8C Against Crime). They had 47 votes. Their policies were about fighting crime.

Like Year 7, Year 9 had a clear winner with 74 votes: The Revolutionary Education Party. They wanted to fix the present, and improve the future. Policies included lowering canteen prices, NHS prescription prices and improving education.

In Year 10, pupils learnt about the actual main political parties and their policies. Our Year 10 pupils will be old enough to vote in the next General Election. It is important that they are well informed and prepared. Year 10 were also invited to a polling station to vote for a real political party whom they would like to run our country. There was a clear winner with 63 votes for Labour. The Green Party was also very popular with 49 votes.

Mrs Harvey would like to thank everyone, but in particular the Year 9 and 10 helpers who made the mock election run so smoothly by leading assemblies and running the polling station. Not to mention all of our fantastic pupils who participated in some way; either by presenting their views, engaging in discussions, forming a mock political party and also for visiting a polling station and voting.

May we never take democracy and many of the other great liberties we have in our nation for granted.



# United Nations Event

Tension was high at the first ever MUN (Manchester University Event) held this year at BGS. The General Assembly debate topic was 'Assistance to Refugees and Displaced Persons', with many countries holding strong views on this topic. Pupils from St Gabriel's represented Ireland and South Korea; they stood up for the rights of refugees and discussed solutions to help them seek asylum. A massive well done to our representatives-Olivia Kiely, Kaneesha Zendera, Laura Soraru, Rebecca Barbosa and Anna-Louise Howarth. **Miss Latham**



## Year 9 Holy Cross Gifted and Talented Trip

On Monday 15th June a group of 20 Year 9 pupils were selected to attend a session at Holy Cross College as part of the RE Department's Gifted and Talented scheme. The aim of the session was to introduce the pupils to the concepts of Philosophy and Theology. It gave an insight into some of the areas covered within the GCSE RE course and has also shown them what is available to them after St Gabriel's. The pupils found the trip interesting and enjoyable and felt that they were challenged to think about things in a different light. They found the day informative giving them an insight into their own religious life and how they can study general and fundamental problems, such as those connected with reality, existence, knowledge, values, reason, mind, and language. The pupils really enjoyed the Philosophy session which they said distinguished from other ways of addressing problems in its critical and systematic approach. As always our pupils were excellent ambassadors for the school.

## 5-a-side kings

Our Year 11 5-a-side football team (Bury North winners) played Castlebrook (Bury South winners) to decide who would become Bury Champions. Our boys played superbly and totally dominated the game to run out comfortable winners.

This was the 4th time that the team have become Bury Champions making them the most successful team ever in this format of the game. A fantastic effort from all the boys involved, well done.



## Leavers Prom



# English and Maths Study Day

On the 8th May at Guardian Angels Parish Centre, 60 Year 11 pupils were invited to an English and Maths Workshop Day. Arrival was at 8.30 with breakfast and welcome and the action started at 9am.

The morning session was concentrated on English with 4 workshops of intensive work. The emphasis was to look at the exam technique required and reinforce the skills learnt in class.

After lunch it was the Maths Workshops. Again with great ideas and resources the tasks were aimed at the four components within the GCSE.

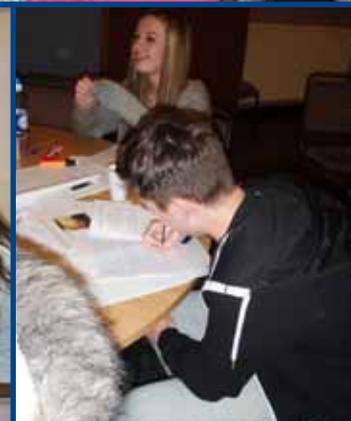
This day was a new initiative and was certainly well received but very intense. Eventually, at 4pm in the middle of a thunder storm the day came to a close.

It was an excellent day and we must give a massive thank you to the staff involved:

Mrs Bishop, Mrs Maguire, Mrs Banton, Mr Crossley, Miss Dolan, Mrs Rowe, Mrs Hornby, Miss Werner, Miss Key, Mrs Raferty.

Let's hope we see the rewards in August!!

**Mrs Roberts and Mrs Miller.**



# Celebration Evening

We take every opportunity at St. Gabriel's to honour the success of our pupils, both academically and pastorally. This year's Celebration Evening allowed us to do exactly that with our Class of 2015. Members of the multi-talented year group were commended for the character they have shown in times of adversity, their sporting prowess and their general good nature and pleasant demeanor. In fact, this year saw a record number of 'Star Boy' and 'Star Girl' awards distributed to a staggering 34 worthy pupils. This is testament to the wonderful year group that have just left us. It was a delightful evening that showcased perfectly the incredible journey that all of the young men and women had been on during their time at St. Gabriel's. It was an emotional evening and a fitting tribute to the year group and their families.



# Year 11 Art Exhibition celebrates the creative class of 2015

Congratulations to our year 11 pupils on the success of their art exhibition this year which welcomed many members of our school community. This was another wonderful display of their talent and individuality. There was a wide range of media showing the pupils' personal interests, skills and commitment to their artwork, including observational drawings, oil pastel studies, paintings, mixed media, and larger scale sculptures. Themes included Animal Structures, Natural Forms and Identity with an array of personal responses from Japanese inspired birds of prey studies, expressive self-portraits and fantasy dragons. The collection of work included wire work produced during the Art Enrichment Days workshop and inspired by the visit to the Bury Art Museum and Gallery. It was also the debut exhibition for our year 10 pupils who produced larger scale charcoal studies showing thoughtful observation of shell forms. The evening was thoroughly enjoyed by all who attended and parents and pupils commented on the high level of skill and creativity.

"Superb artwork! I am amazed by the talent of St. Gabriel's pupils."  
"Great music –beautiful art. Lovely exhibition- I enjoyed it. Thank you."  
"A wonderful exhibition with some great talent!"

Thank you to our young musicians who supported the event with classical music throughout the evening. There were wonderful performances from Daniel Rawlings, Ellie Kennedy, Maximilian Gotkowicz, Olivia Quinn, Emilia Kerwin, Sean O'Connor and Danielle McGrath which really added to the atmosphere of this creative evening.

Many of our art pupils are going on to study creative courses at Holy Cross College and Bury College including Photography, Art & Design and Fashion & Textiles. We wish them all well in their future career paths.

Well done Year 11!! **Ms Burns & Mrs Kay**



## Creative Journey

Year 9 have had a year full of creativity and investigation when exploring a wide range of techniques and materials. Across the year they have been working through the many different design roles within the Creative Industry, as part of their Expressive Arts course.

We have some budding shoe designers following an identity themed project inspired by Pop Art. They have been working hard to transform an existing shoe that represents their personality and interests, following in the footsteps of the big brands in shoe customisation and advertising. As the project progressed they sharpened their observational drawing skills with tonal pencil studies of collections of personal objects and then took inspiration from contemporary street artists, such as Banksy as they produced graffiti inspired work.

We then moved back in time many thousands of years to study Ancient Egyptian Art where the pupils explored printmaking, painting, raised relief and textile batik producing designs full of symbolism and pattern. They worked on improving their control of materials and establishing their most successful technique.

Following the success of the Art Ambassadors we are continuing with the role throughout the projects during which pupils can share their expert skills and knowledge with others in the groups, providing opportunities for responsibility and support for their peers. Year 9 pupil, Sinead Holdsworth, produced the overall winning design which features as one of the ambassador badges.

Well done Year 9! **Miss Burns and Mrs Kay**

## Food News

Year 10 Food and Nutrition students have had a productive few months. Everyone in the class has succeeded in achieving a Level 2 Food Hygiene Certificate. This qualifies them to work in the Food Industry.

On June 13th St Gabriel's entered two teams in the annual Bury Junior Master Chef competition at Bury College. Josh Green and Conor Tyrell did extremely well with the meal they cooked. Holly O'Connor and Ella Bailey won a prize for the best dessert. I am extremely proud of all the achievements of the Year 10 Food and Nutrition group this term.

**Mrs Jenkinson**



# I've Been Thinking...

Throughout March and April, four Year 11 pupils were given the opportunity to take part in a mini-project which was run by the 'Truth About Youth' team at the Royal Exchange Theatre. The 'I've Been Thinking...' project aimed to encourage young girls and women to speak openly about aspects of life that are important to them. The project asked for girls aged 14-21 to take part in a series of creative workshops in which they would discuss and debate a range of topics that matter to young women today, with the only criteria being that the girls had opinions and were passionate about them being heard.

With that in mind, Ciboney Perkins, Kaylee Skates, Charlotte Taylor and Florence Wells were invited to represent St Gabriel's at the meetings and responded magnificently. The girls worked closely with writers and directors to transform their initial ideas into a performance speech. Having the opportunity to share thoughts, concerns and solutions to a number of important issues with girls and women from across Greater Manchester enabled the girls to develop a real voice, which they put to good use in the final performance in which they spoke at length to a large audience about their chosen issue. The audience were rapt as our pupils spoke about a variety of concerns faced by young women today: the pressure on girls to conform to certain body images; their fears for the future; their self-perception in terms of confidence; the need for Racism to end and finally, their role-models.

We are hugely proud of the girls who took part in this project and look forward to taking part in future events.



## Manchester Art Gallery Creative Writing Workshop

On March 25th, a group of twenty lucky Year 9 pupils took part in a Creative Writing day held at Manchester Art Gallery; this event was organised by students and staff from Manchester Metropolitan University.

Throughout their time at the gallery pupils took part in a range of active and innovative approaches to creating original pieces of writing and were able to use the vast array of art on display as a source of inspiration. The end results were varied and engaging with the skills gained clearly on display when final pieces were shared; we were thrilled to see such enthusiasm as all pupils used their imaginations to transfer ideas and situations from the canvas onto their pages. We were also impressed with the ferocious appetites which had been worked up as a result of all the hard work pupils had put into their writing; Pizza Hut almost ran out of their 'endless' buffet!



## Science A-level taster lesson

Having worked hard to complete their first Science GCSE, Year 10 triple Science students had the opportunity to visit Holy Cross College for a Biology A level taster lesson. During the visit they were challenged to find out more about the college by racing around to try to find answers to quiz questions in as short a time as possible.

They then gained a fascinating introduction to anatomy by completing a rat dissection – we definitely have some potential future surgeons!



Science

# Performing Arts

## Beauty and the Beast

We are delighted to announce that our next school production will be of Walt Disney's hit musical, 'Beauty and the Beast'. Auditions took place in May and we were overwhelmed by the talent on display from students across all year groups. In the end we decided to have two casts for principle roles as well as a fantastic group of key ensemble performers and a supporting chorus. The production will be held on 17th- 20th November 2015 and more details regarding tickets will be available next term. Following the success of Les Miserables, we are really looking forward to working with our talented cast and confident that we can produce yet another fantastic production!



**At this stage we are looking for sponsorship from any local business that could support the production in various ways. Also if anyone has experience in costume, make-up, stage/set design and lighting/sound and would like to help out with the production we would be extremely grateful. If you'd like to get involved in any way please contact Mr Rushworth at school as soon as possible.**

## Performing Arts Week Festival: 27th April- 1st May

The annual Performing Arts Week festival took place on 27th April-1st May. The purpose of this week is to showcase some of the many activities that take place in the Performing Arts department. Various lunchtime activities and events took place all week including Rock School taster sessions, Open Mic events and a concert that showcased all the fantastic talent from our GCSE musicians and Performing Arts students (aka 'PAW Fest'). This week was also used to promote the school musical, Beauty and the Beast. It was a fantastic week and a huge 'well done' to all the students involved!



## Chamber Choir

The chamber choir have worked very hard this year. They have sung at various events including school masses and liturgies, the Paris Music tour, funerals and 5 staff weddings! What a wonderful achievement. Their talent continues to amaze us and we thank them so much for all their hard work, dedication and talent.

## African Jigsaw

On the 7th and 8th July, the St Gabriel's Senior Choir joined forces with two of our feeder primary schools (St Marie's and Holly Mount) to stage a performance of the ecological musical, 'African Jigsaw'. This 2 hour long musical outlines the highs and lows of African life. The performance took place in the School Hall and the proceeds of the event went to Bury African Outreach. A huge thank you to all involved, including all those performers and staff and parents who kindly loaned African artefacts for display.

## Success

Congratulations to Phoebe Forrester, our talented Y11 violinist, who received a Sixth form place at the world famous Chethams School of Music. This was a huge achievement and we are very proud of you!

Y11 students Jack Sindall, Sam Sindall and Phoebe Forrester are touring Scotland with the Halle Youth Orchestra this summer. Also, Y9 student Nicholas Rushworth is playing saxophone with the RAF National Cadet Marching Band on a week long course in July. We hope you have a fantastic time and make the most of these wonderful opportunities.

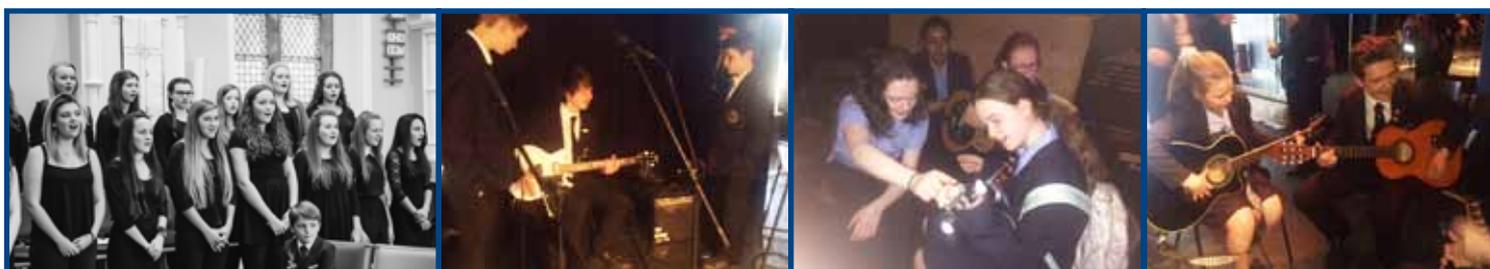
## Oliver Richards performs his GCSE Drama work at The Met Theatre

The GCSE Drama students have been developing farcical solo performances in which they play multiple characters without changing costume or leaving the performance space. The quality of work was exceptional, so much so, that one student, Oliver Richards 10A, was chosen to perform his act at The Met Theatre as part of a variety performance showcasing talent from across Greater Manchester. Oliver devised his work entirely himself using the skills gained in class. The piece was about two incompatible people meeting for the first time at a speed dating event. The packed audience were engrossed by Oliver's ability to continuously switch between the two contrasting characters; especially when one character choked and had to be revived by the other using mouth to mouth resuscitation!

## GCSE Performing Arts students develop TiE Company

The GCSE Performing Arts students have recently been exploring working as professional touring theatre company. They have agreed a name for their company, a mission statement and developed their first project, 'Transition to High School'.

'Transition to High School' is a Theatre in Education performance aimed at reducing the fears and anxieties of Year 6s moving to High School. The piece will be performed to the Year 6's on their transition day at St Gabriel's.





## Lessons from Auschwitz

Mr Fleming and Mr Tems attended a 'lessons from Auschwitz' course as part of the Holocaust Educational Trust's vision of improving teaching and understanding of the Holocaust amongst teachers. Both felt they had a greater understanding of how the Holocaust affected individuals as a result of attending, and hope to adopt a more personal approach to their teaching of the persecution of Jewish people, and others by the Nazis. Mr Tems said, "Seeing the stacks of possessions stolen from the dead, intended to be recycled for use by others, brings home the complete dehumanisation of the victims." Mr Fleming added, "If anybody has the opportunity to go, I highly recommend they do it. Seeing is better than hearing." The new academic year will see the staff members present a week of assemblies to students and in February 2016 the school will be running its own trip to Krakow and Auschwitz for Year 11 GCSE History students.

## South of France 2015

Going to the South of France not only opened my eyes to a whole new culture (of frogs legs and boulevards) but also gave me experiences that I just could not have had in the UK.

We arrived in the Ardèche on the 24th of May, after a gruelling twenty-four hour coach journey with drivers Dave and Wendy (whom Seb became friendly with).

Immediately, we were out canoeing on the river in the bright sunshine. The Ardèche was beautiful, with bright blue green water and towering gorges. Over the three days of canoeing, we all improved massively and ended up topping it off with a five metre cliff jump.

Next, we travelled down to Mimosa. I was so awestruck by how blue and deep the water was. During the three days there we sailed picos and fun boats, did banana boating (and managed to capsize) and sea kayaking. Everyone seemed to have a great time and I'm sure we are all thankful to the staff who made it possible.

**By Alice Phelan and Phoebe Boyle Year 10.**





## P.G.L. Year 7 trip April 2015

When 150+ excitable and eager Year 7 pupils loaded their suitcases onto 3 Maynes' Coaches during Friday lunchtime under the watchful eye of Mrs Bate, we all knew that we were in for another weekend of hard work, cuts and bruises but lots and lots of enjoyment.

The two hour trip down to Boreaton Park in Shropshire seemed endless due to road works that seemed to cover all of Wales, but we eventually arrived ready for dinner and a singsong by the campfire.

The children were split into groups and introduced to their P.G.L leader. Friday night was lively but eventually all of the pupils were asleep in their cabins. Amazingly most were awake again by 6am and ready to go on activities such as:

**Kyaking on the lake**

**Flying down a zip wire**

**Climbing up a wobbly telegraph pole and then launching themselves onto a trapeze**

**Assault course that included a rather muddy crawl through an underground tunnel**

**Balancing on wires that were strung between trees whilst being heckled by their friends**

**Archery**

**Being strapped into a giant swing, hauled high into the air and then being released**

**And most frightening of all spending Saturday night at a P.G.L Disco**

Suffice to say, they all loved it. The weather wasn't great this year but that didn't stop anyone enjoying themselves, even the staff were seen to smile at times. Many new friendships were formed and many children displayed qualities that even they did not know they possessed.

Yes P.G.L. 2015 was once again a great success. My thanks go to the staff who came along and helped to make it such a success, as well as all of the pupils who showed once again what a great bunch we have at St Gab's

**Mrs C Bate**

**Head of Year 7**



# Boys' Football Success.

The season ended with success for a number of our football teams (see Y8 winners on the back page and the Y11 5 a side kings), as well as a few near misses.

## LEAGUE WINNERS.

All years took part in the Bury North Football League competition and at the end of the season the Year 10 and 11 teams came out on top of their respective leagues. Both teams had a 100% record in the competition and were clear winners. Again well done to all the players involved in both teams.

## NEAR MISS!

The Year 7 team were unlucky to lose in the final of the Bury Cup to a strong Elton side. The boys reached the final, thanks to good wins over Bury Church (7-1) and Philips (5-1) in the early rounds. This set up a semi-final against Bury Grammar School, and in a thrilling game St. Gabriel's ran out 4-3 winners. The final proved to be "a game too far" but the team played with great spirit and should be proud of their efforts.



# Netball Champions!!

Congratulations to the Year 10 Netball team who are the Greater Manchester County Champions. The tournament was held at Cardinal Langley RC High School on 21st March 2015. The girls were fantastic throughout the morning, demonstrating outstanding netball in every game played. Continue to keep up the hard work in Year 11! The winning team were:

Ruby Thompstone, Meghan Howarth, Isabelle Holgate, Bethany Doughty, Freya Wright, Anna Dixon, Olivia Greenwood and Megan England.

Player of the tournament: Anna Dixon

# Year 9 and 10 Rounders Update

The Year 9 and 10 rounders teams have been training hard for the upcoming fixtures and tournaments; recently performing in games against Woodhey High School and St. Monica's.

The Year 9 team have performed particularly well in both the Bury and Catholic tournaments. They reached the final in both and received second place. The determination and skill level from all was brilliant. Continue to keep up the commitment. Well done!

Player of the Catholic tournament: Olivia Kay

Player of the Bury tournament: Charley Hardman.

The Year 10 team worked hard in both the Catholic and Bury rounders. However, they just missed out on a place in the semi finals.

Player of the Catholic tournament: Meghan Howarth

Player of the Bury tournament: Bethany Doughty

# Year 7 Catholic Football

Congratulations to the Year 7 footballers who won second place in the Catholic football tournament at St. Matthew's Moston.

The girls played 5 games: won 4 and drew 1; these are amazing results. All players were enthusiastic and determined to succeed despite extremely poor weather conditions.

Well done to all involved.

Player of the tournament: Lily Thompstone.

# Girls Inter-Form Finals Evening

On Wednesday 24th June, the winners of our inter-form competitions throughout the year, competed in a final to determine the overall winners for Years 7 and 8 in Netball and Rounders.

The games and results were as follows:

| <b>Netball</b>       | <b>Rounders</b>      |
|----------------------|----------------------|
| 7W v 7R – 7R winners | 7S v 7C – 7S winners |
| 8J v 8W – 8J winners | 8A v 8J – 8J winners |

Well done to all girls involved for your hard work, team work and enthusiasm. A big thank you as well to the form tutors who helped organise their teams and also came to support and coach their teams!

We now look forward to the girls' football inter-form competition and the boys inter-form finals competitions.



# Sky Sports Living for Sport

This term a group of Year 8 girls have been selected to take part in a Sky Sports initiative called 'Sky Sport Living for Sport'. The initiative aims to use physical activity and sport to help boost confidence, raise self-esteem and to promote positive behaviour both in and out of the classroom. The pupils have been assigned a Great British World Champion athlete mentor, Jenna Downing (World Champion Inline Skater). She has already visited the group to help inspire and motivate whilst actively taking part in skating. So far, the pupils have participated in trampoline after school and they are currently planning to deliver multi-skills sessions to a local primary school. Continue to work hard and be determined to succeed.



# More Football Success

## BURY CUP WINNERS.

The Year 8 football team capped off a very good season by winning the Bury Cup final. They played with great skill and passion to comfortably beat Bury Grammar School in the final 3 goals to nil. Scorers were Louis Ramsahoye, Callum Farrington and Jamie Jackson. This was the culmination of an excellent cup run which began with victory over Prestwich, followed by a ¼ final win over Woodhey. Bury Church were defeated in the semi-final by an increasingly confident St. Gabriel's team. They clearly took that confidence into the final where they performed magnificently. Congratulations to all the team.



# Catholic School Athletics

Congratulations to all pupils who took part in the Catholic Schools Athletics on 25th June.

We had some fantastic performances especially:

- Mustafa Afridi Year 7 - 3rd in Shot Put
- Patrick Watson Year 10/11 - 1st in 1500m
- Jack Stainton Year 10/11 - 1st in Discus
- Matthew Findlow Year 8/9 - 3rd in 100m
- Max Graham Year 10/11 - 3rd in Triple Jump
- Hannah Kelly Year 8/9 - 1st in 200m
- Sophie Whittaker Year 10/11 - 1st in 1500m
- Anna Dixon Year 10/11 - 1st in Javelin
- Meghan Howarth Year 10/11 - 3rd in Shot Put
- Charley Hardman Year 8/9 - 3rd in Javelin
- Oliver Donnelly, Nathan Michelson, Adam Mannion & Callum Andrews came 2nd in 4x400m relay

