



# School Newsletter

With Christ we live, we love, we learn and we grow

14.06.19

Dear Parents and Carers,

## First Holy Communion - Sunday 16<sup>th</sup> June

The children in the Sacramental class (predominantly Y4) will be receiving their First Holy Communion on Sunday during the 10.30 am Mass at St Mary's. They had their final practice in Church on Wednesday morning and are very excited, looking forward to their big day. Thank you to Father Marsden, Deacon Norman, Mrs Gray-Grzeczynska, Mrs Knight, Mrs Wilson and Mr Cahalin and the families for working so well together in preparing the children for this special and holy day.



Kinga asked me to make a special mention about the excellent participation and behaviour of the children. She said, '**Year 4 have been exemplary in behaviour and a pleasure to work with.**' Well done Y4!

## Sacramental Class Tea Party



At the start of this school year, parents of Y4 children came to a cheese and wine evening to mark the start of this important year in their journey of faith. To mark the end of the year the children will celebrate with a tea party with their parents/grandparents on Monday next week from 2.30pm. They can bring their Communion gifts along and these will be blessed by Fr Marsden. They will also each be presented with a special memento and certificate.

## Poster Competition *"My roots, My Routes"*



This June we are asking our pupils to take part in this Lancashire competition see attached letter form Miss McCluskey.

## Safer Travel

Lancashire County Council's Safe and Healthy Travel Team have provided all Year 3, 4 and 6 pupils within our school with activity books to encourage safe and active travel in Lancashire. Please take time to look at these with your children to help them learn skills for life.

## Fathers' Day

Thank you to all the dads/ granddads and mums who popped into our EYFS classes yesterday afternoon to celebrate Father's Day; the children were delighted. Happy Father's Day.

## Nursery New Intake Evening

There is a meeting for parents of children starting in Nursery in September at 6.30 pm on Wednesday 21<sup>st</sup> June in the school hall.

## Phonics Check

Well done to all our Y1s who completed their phonics screening check this with Mrs Grandi this week and to some of the Y2s who also participated in the check.

## Synod 2020



Our very own Mr Hodge is one of the St Mary's parish representatives for Synod 2020. He has asked me to share a list of ways with you on how to become involved in the process.

Coming up this week:

A special **St. Mary's Primary School 'Synod 2020 Assembly' on Wednesday 19<sup>th</sup> June at 9am** in the School Hall. The whole community is invited (with the option for parents etc to stay behind in the hall after to discuss the Synod Questions))

### St. Mary's Parish - Ways to be involved;



- Complete the **Paper Copy** of the **Synod Questionnaire** (complete & return to church by Sunday 30<sup>th</sup> June 2019).
- Complete the **Synod Questionnaire Online** at [www.synod2020.co.uk/resources/survey](http://www.synod2020.co.uk/resources/survey) (to be completed by Sunday 30<sup>th</sup> June 2019 also).
- Use the St. Mary's Parish Synod 2020 **E-mail** address at [synod2020stmarys@gmail.com](mailto:synod2020stmarys@gmail.com)
- See the **Synod 2020 display** board near the Our Lady Altar in Church.

Finally, all the Synod members are happy to **talk one-to-one** if you prefer. We have already spoken over the phone to some people and received cards and letters from others.

The Catholic Church is at a crossroads. It is an exciting time. Please can I encourage you to make your thoughts and opinions known and with the guidance of the Holy Spirit, we will get to where Almighty God wants us to be... *Mr Hodge*

## Sports News *Football*

**Chorley Schools Cup (formerly called Ollerton Cup)**  
**Quarter-Final: St Mary's 5 v Christ Church Charnock Richard 2**



This afternoon, after school, St Mary's entertained an excellent team from Christ Church , Charnock Richard. It has got to be one of the best games of football ever played on the St Mary's field and far closer than the score line suggests. Every player on the pitch and those that came off from the bench played their part in a highly memorable and hard fought contest.

Although St Mary's took an early 2 – 0 lead, Charnock looked threatening on each and every attack they launched. It was no surprise then, when they levelled to 2-2 part way through the second half. For a spell, it looked like they might even go on to take the lead. However, St Mary's rallied, found an extra gear and scored three goals in quick succession to take the game out of the reach of their talented opponents. Congratulations to the St Mary's team (and their coaches Mr Hodge and Mr Southern) who now progress to the semi- finals. Well played Charnock Richard in a game no side deserved to lose. Thank you to parents, families and teachers who gave great support.

### Chorley Schools Sports Partnership Cycle Training Opportunity

#### **Saturday June 15<sup>th</sup>**

9:30 - Developer. A fun session for primary aged children who have started riding on 2 wheels but need some support to build their confidence and skills.

#### **Saturday June 22<sup>nd</sup>**

9:30 – Adult Learn to Ride - A class for anyone over the age of 16 who would like to ride a bike but has never learned. Our experienced, supportive instructors have taught people from 4 to 84 to ride a bike. We will work in small groups, in a safe, private environment. **FREE – funded by Lancashire CC**



#### **Saturday June 29<sup>th</sup>**

9:30 Back on the Bike - This is a confidence-building session for adults of any age who have ridden a bike in the past but would like some support to rediscover their cycling skills. The session takes place in the safe, private environment of the school playground, where we will work in small groups on balance and bike control. For trainees who feel ready to do so, there is the opportunity to move on to quiet local roads with an experienced, qualified instructor and start to introduce some strategies for safe riding on the road. **FREE – Funded by Lancashire CC**

### Stars of the Week 14.06.19 –

Class	Name	Star of the Week for ...
YN	Lydia	Always trying her best.
YR	Freddie	For super work in phonics
Y1	George	Much improved handwriting
Y2	Amelia	Some lovely contributions on the carpet
Y3	Iris	Working hard on her English poem this week.
Y4	Maddison, Emily, Zach, Joe J, Amelia, and Harriet	Great group work in science.
Y5	Alex	For great group work in science.

	Y6	Jacob O	For excellent contributions in all lessons this week.
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**Summer Term Notable Dates** - Dates are also available on school calendar at

[www.chorleystmarys.lancs.sch.uk](http://www.chorleystmarys.lancs.sch.uk)

**Please note the change in date for the YR assembly - it is now not 3 July it is now Thursday 4<sup>th</sup> July**

<b>June</b>	
<b>16</b>	<b>First Holy Communion – St Mary’s Catholic Church</b>
17	First Communion tea party school hall PM
17	Y5s to Holy Cross Science Day
19	Nursery Graduation Hall 2pm
19	Nursery Induction Evening
22	Lancashire Adult Learning - <i>Let’s Do Lego</i> – details to follow
27	Y4/5 to attend Science Fest - UCLAN
July	
1	Mass Y2-Y6 to Church to celebrate Feast of SS Peter & Paul TBC
1	Book Fair after school
<b>4 Thursday</b>	<b>YR Assembly</b>
8	Bikeability Y6
9	Bikeability Y6
12	End of year school reports out
15	Y6 Leavers’ Mass & Disco
19	End of term

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## Interested in teaching in a Catholic Secondary School?



Liverpool Hope  
University

Wigan & West Lancashire

# Catholic School Direct

We believe in nurturing the whole child, to grow in faith and realise their full potential.

We believe that you will have the best start in your teaching career by choosing to train within our supportive Catholic community.

Teachers trained by us make a positive difference to children's lives.

School Direct is a teacher training programme which puts schools/colleges at the heart of the process.

You will be trained in two of our good or outstanding Catholic schools in the Liverpool Archdiocese (Section 48). This will lead to the award of Qualified Teacher Status (QTS).

Our partner, Liverpool Hope University, will work with us to provide additional high quality training which leads to the Post Graduate Certificate of Education (PGCE).

(Our schools / colleges work closely together to provide an on-going programme of Continuing Professional Development to enhance your career.)

We welcome enquiries and applications from committed graduates who wish to join us in shaping Catholic education in the future.



We have training places for September 2019 in the following subjects;

*Mathematics*

*English*

*Physics*

*Chemistry*

*Biology*

*History*

*Physical Education*

*Geography*

*Religious Education*

*Computer Science*

*MFL—Spanish with French*

*MFL - Spanish*

*MFL—French with Spanish*

*MFL—French*

*Music*

*Drama*

**SEARCH FOR UCAS COURSE CODE : 27Q**

 St Edmund Arrowsmith Catholic High School Ashton-in-Makerfield
 St Beale's Catholic High School, Ormskirk
 St Mary's Catholic High School, Astley
 St John Fisher Catholic High School, Wigan
 Holy Cross Holy Cross Catholic High School, Chorley
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**Are you interested in training to become a primary school teacher?**

**Have you considered school-based training?**

We have vacancies now to start training **in September 2019** and we would be very interested to hear from you if you are thinking of becoming a teacher, or know someone who is. We are looking for people who have (or will have) a degree, have a passion for teaching and want to make a difference to the lives of the children of Chorley.

Keep your eye out for open evenings over the coming months.

The events will take place at;

**St George's CE Primary School, Carr Lane, Chorley, Lancs PR7 3JU.**

Please contact the Director of Teaching School, Bernard Golding,

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