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Week 5

Our Lady's Catholic College Weekly Bulletin

Week 5 Update

Good afternoon to you all and welcome to a new half term. Well done to you and to your children who are working hard and trying to keep up with the lessons and work set. You deserved a week off and I hope you took the chance to enjoy the outdoors, whilst of course maintaining a social distance.

Leaders and key staff are planning to reopen the school safely. I cannot yet give you a date that will see us opening to more pupils but it will not be before 15th June. We have to follow scientific advice, prepare the building and develop strategies that will ensure that pupils and staff are kept safe. I am sorry that I cannot give you clarification at this point but I am sure you can understand why.

When we do open more widely it will only be for Y10 and Year 12. The primary source of learning for all pupils will still be the work that teachers are setting on Microsoft Teams. If you still have not accessed this, please do so now and contact school for any assistance.

I do miss being in school with the pupils and staff. Of course this last half term would have been packed with many of our favourite whole school events, sports day, the show, sponsored walk and whole school Mass. Whilst we cannot come together for these events we will try to give opportunities for the pupils to engage with the community.

Thanks again for your support, we do appreciate it.

Helen Seddon

Weekly Fitness Challenge

Well done to Blake A, Grace P and Patrycja P who have all sent in fab proof of them doing the Weekly Fitness Challenge. Some really good efforts! We hope you are all completing this week's challenge and look forward to seeing more evidence. Check out Mr Brench's lockdown hair, time for the barbers to open?

Recipe of the week



Before half term you have been challenged to make samosas by Mr Davies. We are very impressed with these made by Harry in Year 8. Last week's recipe was for a Victoria Sponge cake.

https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=vxPOLUMBY30&feature=youtu.be&fbclid=IwAR2Qq4ooUuZdmvuY15Vse_cqOdpriUOO98bF6lHsMbfZE5UjdOhlcp2yP8c

Check out this week's Calzone pizza:

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=QXOpT9iuLH0>



Well Being Award

We have received confirmation this week that we have achieved the award. The verifier produced a report following her visit and is putting us forward as a secondary school of outstanding practice. Thank you to all the staff, parents and pupils who have helped us develop this important work. Achieving the award is just the beginning and we are committed to continue to teach and support pupils wellbeing even during lockdown.



Wellbeing Award
for Schools

2020-2023

Additional Opportunities

We want to remind you that home learning should only take three hours of the day and the rest of the time could be spent in any way you choose for your family.

You could try one of these virtual tours. Go on safari, visit Disneyworld or an art gallery.

<https://www.longleat.co.uk/news/longleat-virtual-safari-series>
<https://disneyparks.disney.go.com/blog/2018/03/disney-parks-launches-first-ever-360-degree-panoramas-on-google-street-view/>
<https://www.louvre.fr/en/visites-en-ligne#tabs>



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OLCC WOW Wall

The **history** department have been receiving photos of **castles** made by Year 7. We are very impressed with the details included and the different designs. If you haven't built the castles yet you still have time to get them made and send photos to your history teacher.



Another great piece of art from **Isabella P**

Hegarty Stars:

- Total questions answered: 243 – **Victoria K**
- Total hours of learning: 5.6hrs – **Victoria K**
- MemRi questions answered: 1.2hrs – **Patrycja P**; 1.1hrs – **Ellie H**

Rock Hero: Abigail L

Rock Legends: Laura E, Jacob J, Sapphire M, Grace S, Harry P, Adam B, Sophie B

Rock Stars: Zoe B, Jessica C, Noor R, Caleb M, Isabelle L, Cesar M, Emily C, Hannah C, Lewis A

Hall of Fame: Shannon H, Amy J & Blake A.

Maths - calling all Timestables Rockstars, Have you got what it takes to become a world record holder? see the letter attached to the email to find out more or follow this image link:



Chaplaincy Corner

Yesterday we celebrated the great feast of Pentecost. We celebrate the coming of the Holy Spirit. Last year Pope Francis gave a homily which seems even more applicable for the current situation.



Pope Francis said what the Holy Spirit brought was harmony: something deeply needed also in "today's frenzied pace of life." – "Pulled in a thousand directions, we run the risk of nervous exhaustion," so we look for quick fixes like pills and thrill-seeking "to feel alive."

"But more than anything else, we need the Spirit: he brings order to our frenzy. The Spirit is peace in the midst of restlessness, confidence in the midst of discouragement, joy in sadness, youth in aging, courage in the hour of trial. Amid the stormy currents of life, he lowers the anchor of hope,"

We pray that the Holy Spirit brings us peace, confidence, joy and courage in this difficult time. May we trust we can hope that all things will pass and that all will be well.

Amen

Keep in touch!

Keep us up to date with how you have spent half term. We love to see photos of what you are up to as we all miss the pupils very much. Take care and stay safe.

