

## Sports Presentation Evening

We were delighted to welcome Charlotte Hartley to our Annual Sports Presentation Evening to celebrate the achievements of our talented athletes. Charlotte is a former GB Hockey player having represented her country and won a gold medal at the Sydney Youth Olympics. Award winners included Erin Mulderig (pictured) who won sports person of the Year as well as team awards for Year 11 boys and Year 7 girls who both won the Lancashire Cup for football.



## Shakespeare Workshops

Year 7 pupils learned about voice projection, tone and character development in a workshop on Twelfth Night by the Rubbish Shakespeare Company. In addition to learning about the play, the pupils built their confidence by performing scenes and trading Shakespearean insults.



## Diary Dates

Wednesday 19th July - End of Term Masses (see website for times)

Thursday 20th July - Awards Assemblies

Friday 21st July - School Closes (Early finish at 12.15pm)

Wednesday 6th September - Return to School

Friday 22nd September - Sponsored Walk (provisional)

Wednesday 27th September - Year 11 Welcome Back and Revision Evening

Thursday 28th September - PTFA AGM and Welcome 7pm

Thursday 5th October - Open Evening (Early Closure 12.15pm)

Thursday 26th October - Year 11 Parents' Evening

Thursday 9th November - Celebration Evening for Leavers



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## Goodbye to our Leavers



*From Mr. Wright:* As we reach the end of another school year we say goodbye to a number of colleagues who are leaving St. Augustine's having made a valuable contribution to the school over the years. Retiring staff include; Mrs Holt (Assistant Headteacher and Science) and Mrs Rogers (Learning Support) who both began their teaching careers at St Augustine's in 1983, Mrs Woodhouse (Maths) who joined the school in 2002, Mrs Hargreaves (Cover Supervisor), Mrs Wells (Examinations Officer) and Mrs Dakin (Reprographics) who have all made an excellent contribution to school life. Also leaving this year are Mrs Silcock (Science) and Miss Gerrard and Miss Brown (Learning Support). I would like to offer my thanks to all these staff for everything they have done for the school and wish them every success and happiness in their new ventures.

New teaching staff for September include Mr Yates (Maths), Mrs Keogh (Maths), Mrs Lee (Science) and Mrs Day (Learning Support). We look forward to them joining us next year.

We also wish our Year 11 pupils all the best as they set off on their future pathways in education, training and employment. We were able to send them off in fine style at the Leavers' Ball at Mytton Fold as they celebrated the end of their exams.



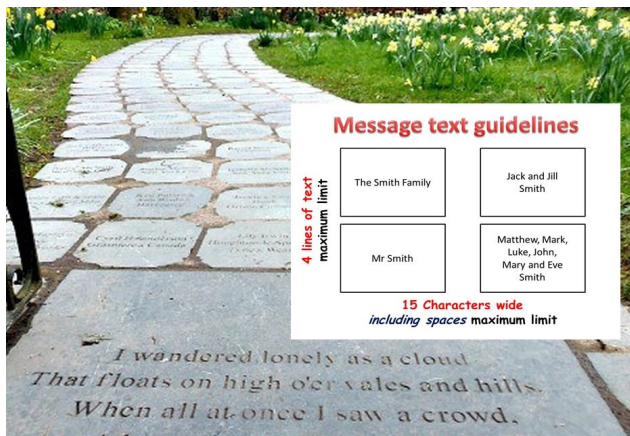
## Pupil Leadership Team Announced



Congratulations to our new Pupil Leadership Team who were appointed this term; Meg Wilkinson, Hannah Szlaz, Julia Priest (Head Girl), Joseph Taylor (Head Boy), Joseph Tattersall and Jack Livesey. We were also delighted to appoint Rosie Barrett, Sam Haworth, Sam Hedges and Helena Mullin to lead the Pupil Council next year.

## Garden of Peace

Many thanks to all those families, individuals and local businesses who have already purchased a stone for our Garden of Peace. The project, which is being coordinated by our Young Enterprise Group is raising funds for an area of school to commemorate the centenary of the end of World War I. A standard paving stone with a name engraved costs £20, whilst a larger stone, engraved with a quote, will cost £100. For details of how to buy a stone and support the school, please visit our school website or the JustGiving site and search for SARCHS.



## Lancashire County Council School Transport Consultation

LCC is consulting on a proposal to stop providing assistance with transport costs for pupils who do not attend their nearest school but attend their nearest faith school. This proposal will be implemented from 1st September 2018 to coincide with the new academic year and would increase costs for Catholic families. Please respond by visiting <https://tinyurl.com/ydg3xnv9> by the end of term.

## Les Misérables—A Triumph

For four nights the cast of Les Misérables thrilled audiences as they told the story of ex-convict Jean Valjean in revolutionary France.

The technical brilliance of the set design, the authenticity of the costumes and the atmospheric music, lighting and stage effects all brought the story to life. Danny Dunn who played the leading role handled the huge vocal range as expertly as he delivered Valjean's varied emotions. Evie Hurst's portrayal of Fantine was beautifully captivating, Tom Muldoon was impressive as a tormented Javert and Joseph Taylor played the idealistic Enjolras with great confidence. The love triangle between Marius (Matthew Howard), Cosette (Rosie Barrett) and Eponine (Orlaith O'Beirne / Isabel Gregory) was acted with sensitivity and the harmonies in their numbers were impressive.

Gavroche, played by Jacob Reddy, and the inn-keeping Thenardiers (Haydon Wilkinson and Scarlet Dickinson) provided some light relief to the darker themes of the show and the ensemble performances of Master of the House, One Day More and Hear the People Sing were magnificent. After four standing ovations the cast are looking forward to a well-deserved break while planning for next year's production, Annie!

