

As 'The Boteler Family', we cast all our care on God because He cares for us (1Peter 5:7). Inspired by the God of Hope, guided by the Compassion of Christ and empowered by the Endurance of the Holy Spirit, we aim to provide all our community with an outstanding educational provision in a supportive and inclusive Christian environment.

# OUR HALF TERMLY ETHOS BULLETIN



# EDITION 1: HOPE OCTOBER 2024

Welcome to our first edition of the school year. 'Good News' is our half termly Ethos bulletin where we will share the activities of the Ethos Council and Worship Ambassadors, alongside other 'Good News' events this half term.

# INTRODUCTION

Our Head of Ethos, Lily-May Kelly explains:

**The Ethos Council** meets every Tuesday to discuss a variety of topics around our school community including our Christian values, faith to God, how we can impact the community and more! Anyone is welcome in Room 27 to these meetings. As well as getting involved with the diverse range of events which take place throughout the year such as year group Collective Worship and services, Harvest service or organizing donations for our local Food Bank. If you have any questions or want to get involved, speak to Mrs Hoey or Lily-May Kelly.



On Tuesday 17 September we formally welcomed our new Year 7 to the 'Boteler Family' during our Inauguration Evening and this is what our Ethos Ambassadors had to say about the evening:

We were surprised to hear Mrs Scott-Herron sing during Inauguration, we had no idea that she was an opera singer! The evening made us feel part of the Boteler Family.

Lola Griffiths 7AC

We enjoyed seeing the choir. They looked like they were having so much fun and it encouraged me to join the choir too!

Bethany McAleese 7EB

#### **COLLECTIVE WORSHIP**

Our Year 10 Worship Ambassadors, Bea and Chloe are proud to be involved in our Inspire Collective Worship:

We hope you enjoyed our Collective Worship assemblies covering the topic **'What is Hope?'**. Our Chaplain Mike uses candles to explain how even when we have lost our other values such as friendship, compassion and high standards, Hope is always there to guide us. If anyone would like to get involved feel free to come to our meetings every Tuesday lunch in Room 27.



#### **OPEN EVENING**

We had an exciting **Open Evening** at school on Thursday 26<sup>th</sup> September, where our Ethos ambassadors helped out with a variety of activities around school including; helping out in the gothic cave in the English Department, doing experiments in the science labs or even touring families around. The evening was very successful, and we had so many families, that the hall was packed! Everyone is so grateful for all the ambassadors, so thank you all! For Collective Worship, our Ethos and Worship Ambassadors, held an 'Inspire' activity in the Library showcasing the importance of our Inspire Programme, which includes Literacy, Personal Development and Collective Worship activities during tutor time. The Worship ambassadors presented the projects they do for each of the Christian Values and reassured the Year 5 and 6 students that they love being part of the Boteler Family. Visitors took part in our 'Wonder wall' by writing their own prayers which are on the Ethos board in Room 27.

We were very lucky to have seen an amazing singer perform at Inauguration, our very own Headteacher Mrs Scott-Herron. If singing is something you would be interested in, then every Tuesday during tutor time in the music room 4a we have a singing group called 'Collective Singers', led by Kim Wellens our youth for Christ worker.









# HARVEST DONATIONS

During October, we have been collecting donations for Warrington Food Bank. Last year we raised over £400 worth of donations for the food bank and they were very grateful. The donations are being offered during our Harvest Service this week and taken to the food bank before the school holiday. Thank you so much for your support and donations at this important Harvest time.



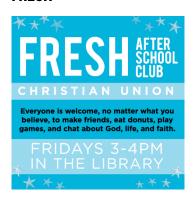


# **GOOD NEWS VLOG**

During our Ethos meetings, our Youth for Christ Worker, Kim has been helping us to create a video blog of our 'Good News'. Please find it here: <a href="https://youtu.be/Yak6uXAonJQ">https://youtu.be/Yak6uXAonJQ</a>

If you have any happy news stories you would like to share in our 'Good News', please let your Ethos ambassador know.

#### **FRESH**



Students from all year groups are invited to after-school club Fresh, run by Kim (Youth for Christ Worker). Every Friday after school in the library, everyone is welcome no matter what you believe for food, fun, friendship, and faith. Each week we play games and discuss a different topic relating to the Christian faith, it's a great opportunity to meet new people and debate some of life's big questions! And of course, there are always free snacks. All welcome!

#### HARVEST SERVICE

In this last week of our half term the Worship Ambassadors are leading the school in worship during the Harvest Service. This is an exciting event, planned by the ambassadors and led by our Head of Ethos, Lily-May Kelly. Each year group is experiencing an exciting Collective Worship which includes; scripture, an offering of our Harvest Food Bank Donations, a wonderful rendition of 'Lovely Day' from our school choir alongside a thoughtful reflection on the meaning of harvest for our lives today. We are even asking for volunteers from each year group to include themselves in a memory game.







# **FAREWELL**

Have a happy half term break and we look forward to more exciting 'Good News' next term! From Mrs Hoey, Worship Ambassadors and the Ethos Council.