

YEAR 6

Week 4



Prayer of the week

Message from Mrs Bell Smith:

Hello Year 6, Mrs Bell Smith here. This week I have had lots and lots of responses to our challenges. Every day I have messages in my inbox from you, there have been some wonderful posters and great tips to help you make a positive start on your first day. I have really enjoyed looking through them all and it feels like we are already getting to know you a little bit better.

I am looking forward to finally meeting some of you this week, and to introducing you to your form tutors. You will also meet Mr Blades and we will be ready to answer all your questions, however big or small!

This week you will have a new challenge, this is one I would definitely like you to send to me, the email address is newstudents@allhallows.org.uk. To find out what it is, keep reading...

In preparation for your visit to All Hallows we would like to revisit our morning offering. You should hear it at least once during your visit! You can see this special prayer below, :

O God Our Father,
Whose love has made us all
one family in Christ.
Into Your hands, with Him,
we commend our lives.
May He live in us, and work
through us,
in all we do today,
through the power of the
Holy Spirit dwelling in our
hearts. Amen.

Remember, our school saint
is St Oscar Romero. We
follow our prayers by asking
him to watch over us as we
go about our day. The
teacher says:
"St Oscar Romero"
And we respond,
"Pray for us"
*Did you manage to learn the
Morning Offering off by
heart?*

Challenge Four:

When looking at our challenges, I began to think about activities that can help boost your mood during lockdown. Mr Brumfitt told me about an article that says spending time with your pet not only **decreases stress** but can also have **beneficial impacts, including lowered cortisol levels and a boosted immune system!!** Therefore, this weeks' blog challenge is to... SEND IN PICTURES OF YOUR PET!

I would like you to send in pictures of your household pet it can be as funny or cute as you would like! If you don't have a pet (I am lucky to have 2) then send in a picture of your ideal pet or a family member's pet you know is amazing and that people will love!

I hope to have a whole page dedicated to pets in next week's blog to send everyone off on their summer break with a smile!

Please send in your pet pictures to newstudents@allhallows.org.uk with a message about who they are and whether you would be happy to include them in a blog to share with everyone!



If you have any questions, you can contact us by email at newstudents@allhallows.org.uk. These questions come direct to myself and Mr Blades and we will answer as soon as possible.

Introducing...

This week it is time to meet some of the form tutors... Miss Argument is form tutor for 7A and Mrs Beck will be tutor for 7F. Despite having worked at All Hallows with both teachers for 3 years, even I learned something new about them today!

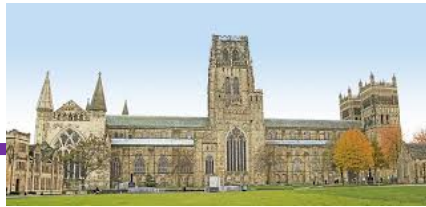
Name: Miss Argument

Job: History teacher and form tutor

I am so excited to be a year 7 form tutor this year and I can't wait to welcome you all to the school in September. You'll soon settle into life here at All Hallows. It feels like we're all one big family and the teachers here are great, they will help you out with anything, just ask.

Like Mrs. Bell-Smith and Mr Blades, I'm also from the North-East of England. I grew up in a small village near Durham city. (If you have never heard of it, have a look, check out the amazing cathedral) A lot of students ask me if I am from Wales, Scotland or even Germany and they find it hilarious when I say book or boat! I now live in Staffordshire, close to Alton Towers, so you may spot me in there some weekends. I have a cat called Sebby (Sebastian really, but I think he prefers Sebby). My hobbies include reading, spending time with friends and family, especially my niece and nephew who are 3 and 4. They keep me busy. I love to travel and visit new places, especially if they are historical and during the summer holidays, you'll usually find me camping in St Ives in Cornwall.

See you soon!



Name: Mrs Beck

Job: Science teacher and form tutor

I am originally a 'Yorkshire lass' from Keighley, West Yorkshire, and moved to Cheshire over 20 years ago to pursue a career as a senior scientist in Cancer Research at AstraZeneca. Following 12 years of Cancer Research I chose to become a teacher to share my passion for science with others. I have worked at All Hallows' for over 3 years as a teacher of science, and also teach biology at A level. I enjoy my role as a Form Tutor and I am really looking forward to getting to know my new form and Year 7 classes in September.

My family are very important to me and I love nothing more than spending time with them. I am married to a Medical Physicist who works at The Christie Hospital and we have two teenage sons who also attend All Hallows'. In my extended family there are 15 of us and two dogs, and although we don't live near each other, we always meet up during school holidays. In August we are hoping to camp together for a few days. My hobbies include cooking, baking, cycling and walking and I have been able to spend a lot of time on these hobbies during lockdown! I am also a Catechist in St Paul's Parish and, together with two friends, have spent the last 5 years preparing children for the Sacraments of First Forgiveness and First Holy Communion, many whom I then have the pleasure of teaching a few years later when they come to All Hallows'. Having sons I have developed an increasing interest in football and surprised many when I spent 2 years as a Football Manager for Alderley United U11s and U12s! I support Manchester United and since having Spanish friends who live in Madrid I have also started to follow Real Madrid and enjoyed a visit to the Santiago Bernabéu Stadium in December.



This week we look at the next of our five college values, we are thinking about **HONOURABLE PURPOSE**. To live our lives with honourable purpose we should be willing to serve others, to offer them kindness and understanding as well as show a genuine desire to give love, act with justice and offer comfort to all people. How do we do this at All Hallows?

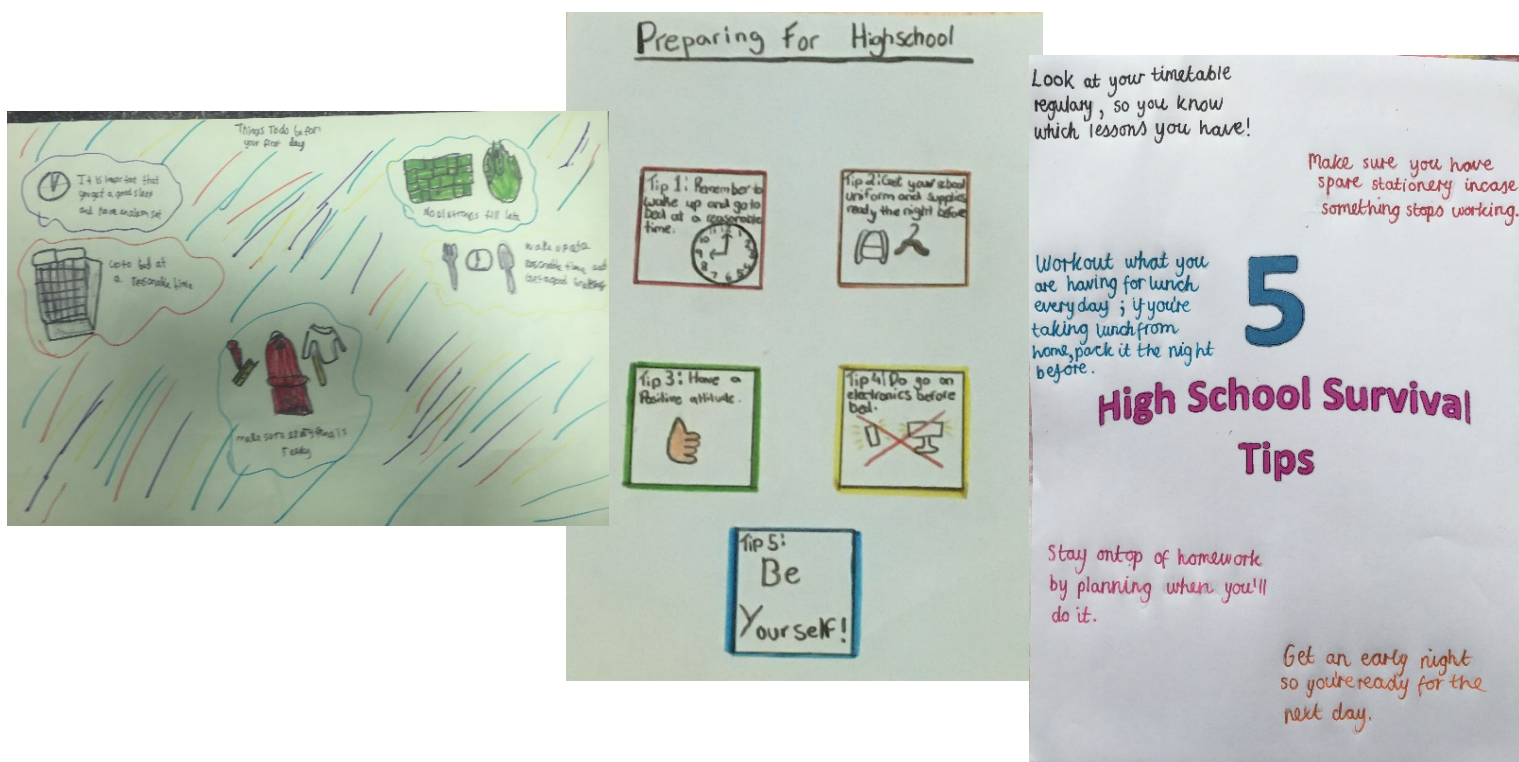
One of the ways we live with honourable purpose is through our support of local, national and international charitable causes. We do this as individuals, form classes and as a school at different times of year.

One example of our college commitment to supporting the All Hallows clinic in Varasanadu in India. We have developed a close relationship with the Presentation Sisters who run the clinic and support 20, 000 women, men and children from the surrounding area in a centre and with resources that have been funded by our community at All Hallows. In February, Mrs Garvey and other staff took some of our Year 12 and 13 students to visit the clinic and some of the people who have benefitted from its support. You can read more about this and see some of their wonderful pictures in the Aspire Magazine on our website.



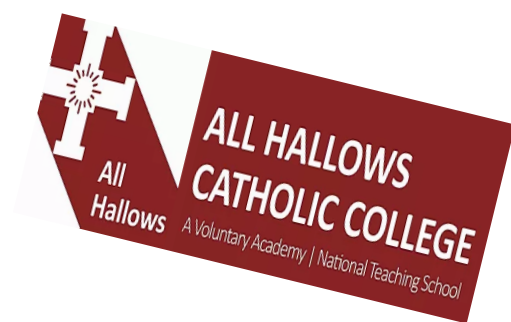
Challenge 3...

We have had some fantastic contributions from you this week, here is your chance to see just a few examples. Make sure you read them as there are some great tips to help you get prepared for your first day, and first week, at All Hallows!





FOR YOUR FIRST DAY OF YEAR 7 AT.....



1



Get enough sleep!

2



Eat well. Don't forget breakfast!

3



Check you have everything you need.

4



Get your uniform ready for the next day.

5

