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Our Lady's Catholic High School

A National Teaching School



Friday, 21 April 2017

Form

Our Prayer theme next week is **Doubting Thomas.**

Name

One of the most difficult things about faith is that often it is not something that we can see. In the famous story from Sunday's Gospel we hear of Thomas having doubts that Jesus has risen from the dead and needing proof. Despite the fact that Thomas knew Jesus and saw his glorious works he still needed to see for himself - just like we often do. However, we miss the point of what faith is: it is believing in what we can't see. As Jesus says,

"You believe because you can see me. Blessed are those who have not seen and yet believe." (John 20:30)

Lord, bless us with the faith to believe in you when I find myself attacked by doubt. May I be lit up by your presence during this Easter season as I begin a new life in the glory of your Resurrection.

PARENT GOVERNOR

Due to the timing of the Parent Governor Election and the Easter Holidays, the deadline for applications has been extended to Friday, 28 April 2017 at 12 noon. Should any parent be interested in serving as a Governor at our school or would like to ask questions about the role, please feel free to make contact with Pam Bilsborrow on 01772-326913 or email <u>pbi@olchs.lancs.sch.uk</u>.

MATHS FEAST YEAR 10

On Thursday, 30 March OLCHS won one of the North West rounds of the Maths Feast run by the Further Mathematics Support Programme. The Year 10 Maths Feast is an enjoyable and challenging team competition testing mathematical, team-working and communication skills. Questions include both recreational mathematics and some of a more traditional nature. One of the aims of the competition is to encourage more pupils to take mathematics at A level. The team made up of Amelia Eastham, Alex Wignall, Jarrar Khan and Oscar Phoenix worked together on a set of problems. They were victorious against 7 other teams including Holy Cross Chorley, Bury Grammar School and Carr Hill at Kirkham.

YEAR 11 FOOTBALL SUCCESS

The Year 11 team made it safely through to the semi-finals of the Preston Schools' Cup Competition with a convincing 8-0 win over Fulwood Academy on Monday, 27 March. The team started brightly with a goal from Matthew Finnerty after 5 minutes. Further goals from Reece Jones (2) and Ty Rowland gave us a 4-0 lead at half time. A precise free kick from Joe Hooper eluded the goalkeeper to make it 5-0 before super sub Kian Helm came on to score his first goal for school, followed by his second and third shortly after! The team were thrilled with their own performance and are high with confidence going into the semi-final against the winners of Longridge and Broughton. Congratulations to the boys on their latest win.

YEAR 8 FOOTBALL SUCCESS

A confident team display from the Year 8's saw them run out 4-1 winners away at Fulwood Academy. Aaron Hewitt scored a first half hat trick which capped off a brilliant individual performance. Our Lady's dominated the first half and went in to half time winning 1-3. Neither team could gain control in the second half but the damage had already been done. Rocco Williams displayed a solid performance throughout and Harvey Moulding-Lee controlled the midfield. A very impressive performance with a lot of positives to take from the game going forward as a team.

YEAR 10 FOOTBALL SUCCESS

The Year 10's are through to the second round of the Preston Cup. It wasn't a confident team display by any means. The poor weather and pitch resulted in an equally poor football match. The team quickly realised that it was going to be a tough task to get the ball down and play the quality of football that they are capable of. Our Lady's had the better of the possession throughout the whole game and created some fantastic chances. Unfortunately they missed a lot of these chances which kept Moor Park in the game. After conceding a late goal in the first half, Our Lady's went into half time 2-1 up. In the second half, Our Lady's were pressing for a third but were caught on the counter and Moor Park levelled half way through the second half. The game could have gone either way until a fantastic late strike by Nathan Noblet secured the victory. Both teams battled but Our Lady's progress to meet Broughton in the next round.

ACCELERATED READER RAFFLE

Well done to Zoya Khan 7A who has won a £5 Amazon Voucher in the Accelerated Reader Raffle prize. This is awarded every two weeks and is drawn from all pupils who have achieved 100% in an Accelerated Reader quiz the previous fortnight.

CAREER INFORMATION

Are you interested in pursuing a career with **Leach Structural Steelwork Ltd** (local firm near Garstang) and would like to find out more? You are invited to a question and answer evenings at their offices at 5.30pm on the following dates:-

Design & Engineering – Wednesday 26th April 2017 Estimating & Quantity Surveying – Wednesday 3rd May 2017 Steel Erection – Wednesday 10th May 2017

On the evening, you will hear first-hand experience from some of those already working in these areas of the Construction industry. You will be able to ask questions and learn more about what the job entails on a day to day basis. To secure your place at one or more of the evenings, please respond ASAP stating which school you attend. Send to - rebeccaleach@leachsteel.com

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Dates to remember

Thursday, 27 April – Year 7 Normandy Trip Monday, 1 May – May Day, school closed Friday, 26 May – School closes for half-term Monday, 5 June – School opens Thursday, 29 June – Year 6 Parents' Evening – 7.00 pm Monday, 3 July – Year 6 Transition Day Friday, 21 July – school closes for the end of term at 12.45 pm