



# Our Lady's Catholic High School



A National Teaching School

Friday, 16 April 2021

## **The theme for next week is The Risen Christ (Luke 24: 35 – 48)**

The two disciples told their story of what had happened on the road to Emmaus and how they had recognised Jesus at the breaking of bread (Luke 24:35) This Gospel parallels the Road to Emmaus story but involves the wider group of Jesus' disciples. He opens their minds to scripture so that they can understand that he is the Risen Christ. The truth of the Easter story hits them: 'Jesus is back! The Jesus we saw die is alive!' He asks his disciples to be witnesses of this experience and to share this joy with everyone. We too, are called to be witnesses, to pass on the love of God and the joy it brings.

**Dear Lord**

**I pray to be a faithful witness of the Resurrection and of your constant love and mercy.**

**I ask for a heart open to Jesus' presence in my life. I ask the Lord for the grace not to be afraid to share the joy it brings.**

**Amen**

## **FIRST MAN IN SPACE**

This week we celebrate the achievement of the first man in space. Russian pilot Yuri Gagarin travelled into outer space and orbited the earth 60 years ago. Click to find out more <https://www.bbc.co.uk/news/av/science-environment-56690949>

## **FORCES**

Everything in our lives relies on forces and up until now we have believed that there are four fundamental (categories of) forces however scientists now believe they might be on the edge of discovering a new fundamental force. <https://www.bbc.co.uk/news/56643677>

This week's practical from home will enable you to investigate the usefulness of friction. Please see the attached information and give it a go.

## **GIFT AID**

Many of our parents/carers kindly make regular donations to school for the benefit of our pupils which we are able to increase by claiming tax relief through Gift Aid (currently 25p for every £1 donated). Because of this continued generosity, which is greatly appreciated, our pupils are able to get involved in additional activities and we are able to purchase further school resources. If you would like to make a donation, please let us know. For parents/carers who currently donate please could we kindly ask that if your details have changed, i.e. name or address, you are no longer a tax payer or have paid insufficient tax during 2020/21 to cover the tax that will be reclaimed on all your donations, please contact Mrs Y Reeves in the Finance Office or email [yre@olchs.lancs.sch.uk](mailto:yre@olchs.lancs.sch.uk). Thank you.

## **WORLD BOOK DAY 2021**

We celebrated World Book Day on Thursday, 4 March 2021. Despite this year's celebrations being slightly different, we still had a wonderful day celebrating all things reading! Throughout the day, teachers from all subjects shared a variety of reading materials that linked to their subject areas. This not only reiterated the importance of reading to the pupils, but it reminded them how reading can be enjoyed in all subjects! Have a read of this term's Reading Newsletter which is attached to find out more.



## **Teacher Training Information Online Event**

Online **26 April**, 5.00-7.00 pm

**Early Primary**

**Primary**

**Secondary**

**Secondary with Post 16**

To book your place, email

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Programme leaders  
will be available to  
answer questions on  
all of our PGCE with  
QTS courses

*Training hubs in Lancashire (Preston/Blackburn) and Cumbria (Maryport)*

### **Dates to remember**

Monday, 3 May – May Day school closed

Friday, 28 May – School closes for half-term at 3.30 pm

Monday, 7 June – School opens

Friday, 16 July – School closes for summer at 12.45 pm

Thursday, 2 September – Year 7 and 11 pupils return to school

Friday, 3 September – all pupils return to school