



Our Lady's Catholic High School

A National Teaching School



Friday, 21 May 2021

The theme for next week is Pentecost. (Acts 2: 1 – 7)

I remind you to fan into flame the gift of God, which is in you through the laying on of my hands.
(2 Timothy 1: 6)

The spirit that excited the disciples at Pentecost, is the same spirit that we have also received. It has a unique language that everyone can understand. It is the language of forgiveness, love and understanding. We are invited to speak in this language. When we do, we are completely understood. There are no language barriers. Perhaps this is what happened with the Apostles too. Suddenly they spoke in a language that everyone could understand. (Reflection by Denis McBride)

Come Holy Spirit.

Come, Holy Spirit, fill the hearts of your faithful, and enkindle in us the fire of your love. Send forth your Spirit and we shall be created, and you shall renew the face of the earth.

Amen

HEAD GIRL, HEAD BOY AND DEPUTIES

We are delighted and proud to announce that we have appointed our most senior prefect positions to serve from 2021 to 2022. Those appointed are:

- Head Girl - Zafeera Abdoola
- Head Boy - Izaak Clarkson
- Deputy Head Girls – Katie Bell and Ellie Moran
- Deputy Head Boys – Phoenix Fenton and Fred Jewell

Congratulations to each of them and very best wishes as they take up the challenges of these vital roles within our school.

TRAVEL TO SCHOOL

We encourage our pupils to either walk or cycle to school where it is safe and appropriate to do so. We have new bicycle sheds to accommodate those pupils choosing to cycle to school. If your child wishes to bring their bicycle to school, I please click on the link below to access our bicycle contract. I would ask you to read this contract with your child to ensure they fully understand the actions and responsibilities they should demonstrate whilst cycling to and from school. Acknowledgement of this contract must be submitted through the link for permission to be granted.

<https://forms.gle/nbdQVQ4BRzmJPBWS7>

KEEPING UP WITH SCIENCE IN THE NEWS

The birth of a rare, red-bellied lemur at a zoo has been hailed as a "real cause for celebration", due to the threats to the species in the wild. Zoos like Chester Zoo play a big part in conservation and maintaining biodiversity.

<https://www.bbc.co.uk/news/uk-england-merseyside-57198816>

Sat-nav for the moon helping astronauts navigate. The European Space Agency is proposing a precise navigation system at the Moon, much like the sat-nav technology we have here on Earth.

<https://www.bbc.co.uk/news/science-environment-57191359>

SURFACE TENSION

This week practical from home involves surface tension, the stretch force on the surface of an object. Can you hold your nerve while stabbing a balloon? See who at home can manage if first.

VACANCIES

We currently have vacancies in school for:

- Deputy Catering Manager
- Learning Support Manager

Please see the school website <https://www.olchs.lancs.sch.uk/school/information/vacancies/> for further information.

Dates to remember

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

Monday, 7 June – School opens

Thursday, 17 June – Sports Day

Thursday, 24 June – New Parents' evening – 5.00 pm and 6.30 pm

Monday, 5 July – Year 6 transition day – Year 8 and 9 pupils remain at home

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