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### This week's Prayer focus:

We are praying this week to be part of God's family 'Look, I have prepared my banquet,' said the king. 'Everything is ready; come to the feast!' Matthew 22: 4



'Outstanding in all areas'

### What a week!

My goodness there was SO much happening in school last week! On top of all the usual wide range of lessons across the curriculum the learning experiences for the children were also enhanced with:

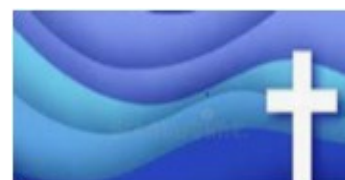
- A visit to The Whitaker Museum and Art Gallery for Class 4. The children loved their hands on history textile workshop. Thanks to Mrs Maher for arranging this as our history subject leader.
- Our Year 5/6 girls football team going through to the finals and then achieving runners up in the Rossendale competition – well done girls!
- Change 4 Life Day on Wednesday which included Glow in the Dark Danceathon, Martial Arts with Alexis, an Elite Amateur World Kickboxer, running and cardio activities with Nathan from RSSP, yoga, fun and games and blindfolded mindfulness! This was all linked to World Mental Health Day which was last week. Thanks to Miss Lynch – our PE subject leader.
- Fifteen of our boys represented school at the Football Skill Development Festival at Whitworth High.
- Class 4 enjoyed a visit from the police who explained all about the vital work they do and gave the children the opportunity to get really hands on as well as sit in one of their vehicles!
- Paul Jenkins, a local poet presented some of his works in an assembly for all Key Stage 2 and inspired them to write their own poems for a poetry competition alongside other local schools! Thanks to Miss Green our Writing subject leader.

Wow how lucky are our children?! Thank you to all the staff who continually strive to enrich the children's school lives with memorable, enjoyable and inspiring experiences.



### Stay and Pray on

Thursday - Just come into class with your child at drop off time.



Class 1

Class 4

### Attendance last week...

Class 1—100%

Class 2—96.3%

Class 3—93.8%

Class 4—92.6%

Class 5—98.8%

### Whole School

96.3%

Number of lates: 15

(10 families)



Congratulations to Miss Haworth and her partner Alex who welcomed beautiful baby Finley last week! Mum and baby are doing just great!

**FOSP and Spooktacular** The annual Spooktacular was once again a very successful event with a record breaking £1,077.12 made on the night for FOSP funds. This money will be used to fund the swimming pool in January as well as helping towards some of the costs of Enrichment Week (which usually costs approx. £4k each year). Thank you to all who contributed to the success of this event either before, during or after. It goes without saying that these events cannot run without an incredible amount of goodwill from the parents, carers and staff who all give up their time to make them possible. I know there is always disappointment that, due to space, not every family can attend the event in its current format. Even though this year we had more tickets available than ever, demand outstripped tickets available. Ahead of next year FOSP are considering if there are ways of holding it in a slightly different format to open it up further BUT there is a huge caveat for this – they simply *have to have* more parents and carers actively volunteering to help out alongside the staff. On Friday we had parents and families who actually left the school in the last few years coming back to help, as without them it would not have been possible for the Spooktacular to even go ahead this year due to lack of helpers. On the newsletter last month, I did ask for more people to help but it fell to the same very small group of parents to run things with the staff. FOSP is fundamentally a parent and carer run group so with more people stepping forward and being willing to help then tasks and responsibilities can be shared much more evenly and it will create even better opportunities for all.

The next event FOSP are running is a Christmas Movie Night – when the date is decided we will let you know and openly welcome any new parents and carers to help out with the children on the night in order for it to go ahead.



Dates coming up... **Wednesday 18<sup>th</sup> October** – Valley Mass at All Saints at 4.30pm.

**Thursday 19<sup>th</sup> October** – Half term starts. Keys Club open as normal.

**Monday 30<sup>th</sup> Oct** – School reopens.

**Thursday 9<sup>th</sup> November** - Parents Eve 2.30pm – 7.00pm

**Book Fair** from Thursday 9<sup>th</sup> – Tuesday 14<sup>th</sup> Nov.

**Tuesday 14<sup>th</sup> Nov** - 3.30pm meeting for Year 3 Sacramental Programme children and parents.

**Friday 17<sup>th</sup> November** - Multi faith week parent/carers drop in afternoon from 1.45pm.

Advanced notice that we will once again be going to the Manchester Opera House to see the Christmas Panto – **Jack and the Beanstalk**. The contribution for this will be £21 per child, and this will be on ParentPay soon. The date for the trip is Tuesday 12<sup>th</sup> December.

**Happy Birthday to...** Haidee, Darby, Hendrix W, Eva, Viola, Bonnie, Mrs Wood and Mrs Goodwin!

I want to thank everyone who sent so many lovely messages and offered prayers over the last few weeks whilst my daughter, Tess has been in hospital very poorly. Prayers were answered and she is so much better now. A special thanks to Mrs Mussell for stepping up to lead the school so well in my absence, I knew everything was in very safe hands and I know she would want me to express her thanks to the whole staff team for their support of her too. Team St Peter's – you are amazing! Best wishes for the week ahead and a lovely half term, *Helen Sullivan*.

**Stars of the Week...** Sonny, Finn S, Charlotte, Charlie M, Honey, Noah, Ihsaan and Sophie.

**Chaplaincy Awards...** Deliyah, Reuben T, Joab, Millie Rose and Ryan.