



14th January 2019

Our worship focus, this week... **'A Child of God'** explores how we are all God's children (no matter how old we are!!).



Reading Resources

In Assembly on Friday, it was great for the Librarians to be able to share the collection of new reading materials which have recently been purchased. School budgets are so squeezed and in order to enhance our resources we need wider help and support. Thanks to your brilliant support of the 'We Are Writers' last school year, the Book Fairs and FOSP events, Mrs Bacon and the Librarians were able to choose some fresh new material for the children to learn from and to enjoy!



Diary Dates –

- Sunday 27th January**
Sacramental Programme Mass at 9.30am.
- Wednesday 6th February**
FOSP at 6pm
- Sunday 10th February**
Sacramental Programme Mass at 9.30am.
- Tuesday 12th February**
Governors Committee Meetings 5.30pm & 7pm.

Calling Year 2 and Year 6 Parents and Carers...

There will be a SATs information session for all Year 2 and Year 6 parents and carers on **Thursday 31st January from 3.30 – 4.30**. FREE Keys Club places will be available for school aged children (including siblings). Please keep an eye out for the letter coming home to book your place.

Also, Year 6 parents will be invited to make an appointment for a parental consultation with Mrs Mussell on **Thursday 7th February** between 2pm and 6pm. Parents' Evening for all other year groups will take place on **Thursday 4th April**.

Thursday 14th February

******The Dance Squad****** who performed at Preston Guild Hall in November will be taking part in the **Rosendale Dance Competition** at Burnley Mechanics Theatre. They will once again perform 'As Deep as the Ocean Blue'

Helmshore Textile Museum

Letters have been sent home for two educational visits which Mrs Mussell has booked for Year 5/6 (4th Feb) and Year 3/4 (11th Feb) to really enhance the children's learning in History and Geography. We are also looking to arrange a visit for our younger children this term and will update you as soon as possible. We really need your support for this visit to go ahead so please return your contribution of £9 per child as soon as you can. Thank you!

Full details and ticket information to follow for the evening show but please save the date!

Applications for Reception 2019

The closing date for applications for this year's reception places is TOMORROW! At the time of writing we have had 89 applications for places which is our highest number to date! So many of the parents I have shown around in recent months have explained that they have links to our current families and that you are all so positive and full of praise for our school, which is so lovely to hear – thank you!

Our **Facebook page** continues to thrive and be a great way of sharing news, updates and your children's learning.

Please note that the messaging option on our page has now been disabled. If you need to get in touch with school please speak to the office, leave a message on the 24 hour answerphone or send an email to b.smith@st-petersrc.lancs.sch.uk and it will be picked up as soon as possible.

Attendance

Good attitudes towards attendance and punctuality at school, right from day 1 in Reception, is vital! Whilst we know there are some individual exceptions, we are fortunate that most of our children enjoy very good health and even with a little time off with inevitable bugs, there is no reason why children should not be in school for at least 95% of the time. Often a child who hasn't been feeling 100% at home in the morning will perk up and be absolutely fine in school – if they aren't well enough to access the learning, we will contact you! Holidays during term time are not permitted except in the most exceptional of circumstances. Children are in school for 190 days a year (and EVERY day counts!) – which means that a whopping 175 days are available to parents and carers for holidays!! Holiday lists are agreed and shared months in advance so that parents can ensure all holidays are booked out of term time. The list for this current year and the next academic year of 2019/20 is on our website.

Last term our whole school attendance had improved on the previous year and those who achieved 13 full weeks out of 15 really enjoyed their bouncy castle treat in the last week. The treat will be booked again for the end of this term however, this time around the children eligible for it will be those who have 95% or above attendance for the school year (up to 10.4.19) and have not had any term time holidays during this term. Thank you for working with us to ensure your children have a positive attitude to good attendance in order to achieve their potential, develop good habits for their future working lives and maintain positive relationships with their peers.



Attendance –

Class 1 – 98.6%

Class 2 – 97.3%

Class 3 – 98.4%

Class 4 – 100%!!

Class 5 – 99.7%

**Whole School
Attendance...**

98.8%!!

Team Points Winners....

John!

Happy Birthday...

Eva (Y3), Nathaniel,
William (YR), Ayrton,
Ruby (Y6), Luke,
Grace and Isabell!



Bee Lucky Winner -

Mrs C Searle!

Well done to our Stars of the Week...

Nathaniel, Daisy, Eva (Y2), Erin (Y3), Emily Grace,
Max and Theo!

Chaplaincy Award Winners... *The weekly award for this term is for showing the Christian Value of Truth, Forgiveness or Friendship!*

Alice, Mikayla, Kyle and Imogen!

Please join us for Assembly on Friday, Best wishes for the week, *Helen Sullivan.*