



Walsden St Peter's Newsletter 26th November 2021



KS2 reminder - Jam Jars

If they haven't already, please can junior children bring in **ONE jam jar** to make themselves a lantern for the carol service. Please send this into school by Monday at the latest as they will be decorating them next week. Thank you.

Football news

On Monday, our boys' Year 5 and 6 footballers took part in a competition in Littleborough; we took two teams in two separate tournaments. The boys played wonderfully well and cheered the other Walsden team on at every opportunity. The team in the A league won overall and our team in the B league came second after a very close finish. Well done boys!

Please keep your eye out for letters regarding our girls' teams and a tournament for children in Years 3 and 4 which will be taking place early in the new year.



FOW Christmas Raffle - Books of raffle tickets have been sent home in book bags this week; tickets are £1 each. There are some amazing prizes kindly donated by local businesses. Please try and sell your tickets to family or friends and once sold return the stubs (fully completed with name and contact number) and money to school in a sealed envelope marked 'Christmas raffle' with your child's name and class. The raffle will be drawn on 15th December so all stubs/money should be returned by Monday 13th December. Anyone wanting more books to sell, there are some spares in the school office, just ask. Thank you for your support.



Parking

We have been made aware that some parents are parking across dropped kerbs on Rochdale Road near the shop; this prevents access to the resident's driveways. We know that parking is difficult around school pick up/drop off times but please be considerate of neighbouring properties. Thank you.

Supervision of children before and after school.

Can we please remind parents that younger children must be closely supervised whilst waiting in the school yard? The climbing tree is designed for school aged children and the climbing pods are designed for Junior aged children. Children are not permitted to play on them if it is wet, icy or slippery. If you allow your children on this equipment before or after school, you must assess the risk of slips or falls and be responsible for their close supervision at all times to prevent accidents. Thank you.

FREE* Christmas holiday club at Todmorden College 20th – 23rd December – see page 3 for more information

**FREE for children entitled to Free School Meals otherwise £20 per child per day*

Year 1 multi-sports

Year 1 will be taking part in an inter-school multi-sports tournament next Thursday, 2nd December. All children will need their usual PE kit, so please make sure this is in school (and that their pumps still fit). Good luck Year 1 and enjoy!



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Fundraising

Our 2020-21 Year 1 class (now Year 2) raised an amazing £160.68 for their chosen charity Centrepoint UK. As part of their RE

lessons they learnt that one of the pillars of Islam is that Muslims should donate to the poor during Ramadan so the children took home charity jars and collected loose change/money over the summer. Fabulous effort; well done and thank you.

Centrepoint is the UK's leading youth homelessness charity. Together with our partners, we support more than 14,000 homeless young people each year. We provide accommodation, mental health support and life skills to get vulnerable young people back into education, training and employment. We want to end youth homelessness in the UK.



Infant Nativity

Our infant classes are busy preparing for this year's nativity. Given that Covid cases are still very high we have made the difficult decision not to hold this in school again this year. We know this will be disappointing but we do not want to put our families, staff and pupils at risk so close to Christmas. We will be videoing the performance and all parents/carers will be able to watch this as a family together; a link will be sent nearer the time. Your child will be bringing home lines/songs to learn in the coming weeks so please try and support them to practise at home.



Reminder: Christmas diorama competition

A quick reminder that the Christmas diorama competition **deadline is next Friday 3rd of December**; please see attached for reminder of how your child can get involved. Here is a photo of the prizes which will be awarded to the best entries across the school; a big thank you to Morrisons, Todmorden for donating the selection boxes along with some other resources for our Christmas craft day.

Stars of the week

This week's stars are: Alice Cullen, Ruby Devereux, Fleur Hudson-Booth, Will Barker, Adam Jones, Amber Greenwood and Violet McGuire. Well done to them all.



Lunchtime awards

Our midday staff have chosen: Alylah Dredge, Joey Schofield, Frank Lowe, Harry Stansfield, Clara Briggs, Cohen Lillis and Violet McGuire for their excellent behaviour at lunchtime.

Emma Crowther and Esther Logue



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**A Christmas Holiday
experience for Children in
Todmorden aged 5-11.**

**December 20th - 23rd 10am to 2pm
at Todmorden College**

**Days include
Theatre, Sports, Fun & Crafts**

Lunch Provided.

To book, please call Katrina on 07973444875

This opportunity is free for Children who access free school meals.



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StoryMagic Theatre School in conjunction with the Community Foundation for Calderdale are hosting four days of theatre, sports, fun, and crafts with a meal provided each day.

The days will run between 10.00 am and 2.00 pm on 20th to 23rd December at Todmorden College, and can host 20 children per day.

If your child is aged between 5 and 11 years old and eligible for free school meals, they can have a free place, and if they are not, you can pay for your child to take part at £20 per day. Lots of exciting and fun activities planned, some which maybe something new that your child hasn't tried before. Plus, they will get a hot meal or packed lunch each day. The children will also be given the chance to get involved in some of the food preparation while learning about what they are eating each day. 01891

To book a place, please call Katrina on 07973444875.

The whole team look forward to creating a fabulous holiday experience this Christmas, alongside bringing communities together.