



## Walsden St Peter's Newsletter 18<sup>th</sup> February 2022



### Thank you Burnley FC

Some very happy Walsden St Peter's football fans watching Burnley v Watford courtesy of free tickets donated to our school. Thank you Burnley FC, they were very much appreciated.

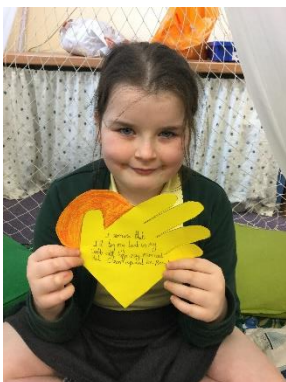
### Parking

Please can we remind parents to park responsibly and be mindful of our neighbours when dropping off and collecting children from school. We have had some complaints from residents and visitors of Lacey Avenue. Many of these residents are elderly and rely on carers/family members to visit and we have been advised that they have been blocked in/unable to access their private parking area on a number of occasions. There have also been concerns raised that parents are parking/turning unsafely around the entrance to Clough Mill. Again, this is a private access road and residents need safe access to and from their properties. There is plenty of safe and available on road parking only a short walk from school; please use this if you can. Thank you in anticipation of your support.



### Y4 School linking project

This year our Year 4 pupils are taking part in a School Linking Project called the Linking Network. The Linking Network is a nation-wide initiative to connect schools together and enrich children's cultural understanding; our link school is St Mary's CE Primary in Rochdale. They have been exchanging work, learning about their link classmates, meeting up and celebrating the similarities and differences between them. Here are some of our Y4 pupils sharing their half term pledges created from their linking work on caring.



### Church news – date for your diary

Walsden St Peter's Church will be open on Tuesday 1<sup>st</sup> March, 3.15pm to 4.45pm (Shrove Tuesday) for pancakes. Everyone welcome; just pop along after school.





### Reminder: Book Week Dress up Day – Friday 4<sup>th</sup> March

Dress up (no face paints/make up please) as an explorer or adventurer for the day; first Friday back after Half Term. We are looking forward to seeing who our children choose to dress up as.

### Walsden St Peter’s Reading Spine and book recommendations

To ensure every child is exposed to good quality literature, we have developed our very own literature spine. These books have been chosen as recommended texts and we will try to introduce the children to as many of these books as possible throughout their time at Walsden St Peter’s. The purpose of this literature spine is to ensure every child has the experience of storytelling and to help develop a love of reading in every child. This book list is also intended to help parents when choosing books for their children. It is available to view on the school website here <https://walsden.calderdale.sch.uk/curriculum/literacy/>. You will also find recommended reading lists for each class. Happy reading everyone!



### Y3 swimming lessons

Y3 pupils will start swimming lessons on Tuesday mornings at Shade pool after half term. Children will need a towel, suitable swimwear (bikinis and Bermuda type shorts are not allowed) and a bag to carry it all in. Long hair must be tied back and earrings should be removed. Children can bring goggles if they wish; please ensure they are clearly named. The first lesson will be on Tuesday 8<sup>th</sup> March.

### FOW update

*Sponsored read – don’t forget about our sponsored read starting tomorrow, Saturday 19<sup>th</sup> Feb for the next 9 days. Please can your child kindly bring their reading logs and sponsor money into school the week after the holidays.....Ready, Steady, Read!!!*



*Christmas fundraising - Thanks for all your support at our events over Christmas this year. We raised £1560.87 from the raffle, Christmas Markets and the Santa Sleigh around Walsden.*

*FOW Mothers Day stall - Our Mother’s Day stall will return this year! We have missed this fundraising event as we find it so personal for the children to go shopping for their Mummy. On the return to school after February half term we will be asking children to bring into school a new, in date, unopened gift to the value of £2. Then on **Wednesday 23<sup>rd</sup> March**, FOWS volunteers will hold their shopping and wrapping stall where children are asked to bring £1 to purchase a gift to be wrapped for them to take home in time for Mother’s Day. Thank you in anticipation of your continued support.*



*Easy Fundraising - Thanks for all your support through the app. This is the easiest way to raise money for the school without doing anything at all! Download the easy fundraising app and renew your insurance, book a holiday or even shop at your favourite online stores such as Amazon, Etsy, eBay and many more. Further details here:*



<https://www.easyfundraising.org.uk/causes/walsdenstpetersps/?q=walsden&cat=cause-autosuggest>



### Climbing team

It was the last session at Todmorden Climbing Wall yesterday and all our children climbed amazingly and had loads of fun. Unfortunately we can only enter 10 pupils into the competition and the team will be announced after Half Term. Well done to everyone who has taken part; if we could take you all, we would!

### Year 3 Bushtucker trial

As part of their rainforest topic, Y3 were really brave trying rainforest food such as live worms, beetle wings, snake eggs, jungle juice! 😊



**School closes today for half term and reopens on Monday 28<sup>th</sup> February. Have a lovely break everyone.**

### Stars of the week

This week's stars are Archie Rigby, Lola Shackleton, Faye Tomlin, Lacey Walsh, Maxwell Clarkson, Darcy Hartley and Ava Marrow. Well done to them all.

### Lunchtime Awards

Our midday supervisors have chosen: Sophia Miskell, Sophie Walker, Frank Lowe, Nella Deacon, Edward J08910891ones, Freddie Barnes and Arthur Pollock for their excellent behaviour at lunchtime.

Esther Logue & Emma Crowther, Headteachers