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*Following the example of Jesus, together we learn, love and respect one another
to be the best we can be.*

Dear Parents/Carers

We are already nearing the end of our second week. Time really does fly when the children are having fun. The reception children have settled very well and are coming in and out of school without parents. Last week was a settling in period for all the children in school. They have adapted incredibly well to their new classes and have been getting their heads down to some fabulous work.

This week years 1/2/3/4/5/6 visited the library to explore their Roald Dahl Exhibition. All classes had a wonderful time, learning about Roald Dahl, his books and completing a variety of fun activities.

Building Fund-

Please see the attached letter regarding the building fund contribution request.

Open day Open Morning

Our "Open Morning" for prospective parents of children due to start school in September 2018 will be held on Tuesday, 3rd October commencing at 9.30am until 10.30am.

If you know anyone wishing their child to start at SSMJ, next September, please advise them of our "Open Morning" and the need to apply on line by 15th January 2018.

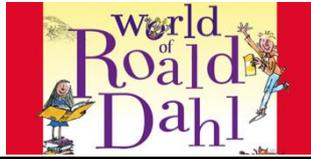
Secondary Schools

We have been asked to share these dates with you

Closing date for Grammar applications - 20th Sept
Bowland High school open day 21st September
St Augustine's open day 5th Oct 6.30pm



Roald Dahl Day



The children all looked fantastic in their array of different characters from Roald Dahl's books. We had a selection of witches, George (Marvellous Medicine) and Mr Wonka's but a special mention has to go to Mr Connolly for his fantastic disguise as a witch.

Thank you to Mrs Fielding and her team, for the wonderful Roald Dahl themed lunch they had today.



School Dinners/Packed Lunches

Except for in exceptional circumstances, we ask that you do not swop from hot dinners or packed lunches without sufficient notice to ensure numbers, supplies and catering is accurate. Ideally, any changes should be made prior to the start of a new half term.

If your child has stopped taking a school lunch this term, please ensure you have informed the office as you will still be charged for these.

Parent Pay

There are a few parents querying whether they are in debt. Please see the below notes from Parent pay to assist. Should you have any queries they are always happy to help.

Step 1 - Parents need to add credit to their Parent Account.

Step 2 - They need to click on Payment Items.

Step 3 - Once the diner money option appears, they need to click on view details and pay.

Step 4 - Input the amount they want to pay, minimum of £11.00 and click on Pay by Parent Account. Once these steps have been completed, the (-) that appears on their account should disappear.

Uniform

Can I remind parents to ensure all items of uniform from shoes to ties are labelled. Hopefully we will not have so much lost property as new uniforms are expensive to replace. If you are using a pen to write their names in, please ensure they are clearly visible after each wash as they can fade.



Diary Dates

We have set many dates for the year including Advent and Lent Class Masses, Christmas Nativities and Plays. We will update these as needed. These dates follow on from last week's newsletter. Please make a note of these for future reference. Some of these dates/fixtures and times may be subject to change but we will keep you updated weekly as to the following week's events.

Date	Event
Friday 15th September	PTA coffee & Cake 2.30pm in school hall. See flyer attached
Tuesday 19th September	St Augustine's Year 6 Parents' Meeting – SSMJ School Hall at 7.00pm
Wednesday 20th September	Afterschool Club Judo Starts
Friday 22nd September	Yr 5/6 football tournament at St Augustine's 4-6pm
Tuesday 26th September	Whole school Mass 9.15am –Reception Children attend at the end of Mass to be welcomed and introduced to the Parish
Wednesday 27th September	Year 6 residential to Winmarleigh (Return Friday 29 th)
Tuesday 3rd October	Open day for 2018 reception starters 9.30-10.30am
Wednesday 4th Oct	Year 6 to attend Whole Parish Mass at St Mary's Sabden 10.30am
Thursday 5th October-	Cross Country event Yr 5/6 Wilsons Playing Fields, Clayton le Moors
Tuesday 10th October	Year 2 & 6 Mass 9.15am
Tuesday 24th October	Year 1 & 5 Mass at 9.15am
Wednesday /Thursday 25th/26 th Oct	Parents' evenings
Friday 27th Oct	Finish for Half term
School reopens Monday 6th November	

Tuesday 7th November	Year 3 & 4 mass 9.15am
8.11.17	Cross Country Afterschool club starts
10.11.17	Year 2 & 4 Remembrance Assembly
13.11.17	Anti-Bullying Week
14.11.17	Multi skills- Oakhill
17.11.17	Year 6 Celebration Assembly
23.11.17	Athletics competition - Oakhill
24.11.17	Year 5 Celebration Assembly
29.11.17	Full Governors meeting
1.12.17	Year 3 Celebration Assembly
8.12.17	Year 1 Celebration Assembly
11.12.17	Last week of sports clubs
12.12.17	Santa Dash – Wilsons Playing fields (TBC)
12.12.17	Junior Carol Service 6.30pm in church
13.12.17	EYFS- Bikes & Scooters
14.12.17	EYFS Coffee morning
15.12.17	Whole school Panto at the Grand
17.12.17	Children’s Carol service in Church 3.00pm
18.12.17	KS1 Christmas party (TBC)
19.12.17	KS2 Christmas Party (TBC)
20.12.17	Christmas lunch and Christmas Jumper day
21.12.17	SCHOOL CLOSES AT 2.15PM
8.1.18	SCHOOL REOPENS AT 8.55AM

Thank you for your continued support

Mrs Z Mabbott