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### **Sunday Gospel**

In this Sunday's Gospel, we hear Jesus' Parable of the Wicked Tenants. The servants in the parable represent God's messengers (the Prophets) and the tenants of the vineyard represent the leaders of Israel at the time. Jesus told this story because some of the leaders were not listening to God's messengers.

In many ways, we are like 'tenants' in this world. The messengers that God sends today reminds us that God has a plan for our lives. We are created for everlasting life and for now, we are here to share, enjoy and develop what God gives to us in this life.

"Jesus said to them, "Have you never read in the Scriptures: 'The stone that the builders rejected has become the cornerstone; this was the Lord's doing, and it is marvellous in our eyes'?" Matthew 21:42



**Untitled,**  
Painting by **Jean-Michel Basquiat (1960-1988)**,  
painted in 1982

## **October-The Month of the Holy Rosary**

Now we have entered into October, we turn our attentions towards the Holy Rosary and to looking at the life of Jesus through his mother, Mary.

Each day in October, children will pray a decade together in class. Children are very welcome to bring their own set of Rosary beads into school during this time, or they are available to buy from school for a small donation of £1. All profits made from these sales will go towards the charity CARITAS and in supporting the work they do for the people in Gambia.



Yesterday was the start of the special month of the rosary. 3C took their rosary beads outside into the prayer garden and prayed the rosary. The children said it made them feel calm and relaxed.

## **Harvest Bread and Soup Lunch**



St Winifred's Church are holding the Harvest Bread and Soup Lunch on Tuesday, 6th October, 12pm - 1.30pm. Some members of our wonderful choir will be singing, and all are welcome to join! Tickets are available to purchase on the door. Thank you to our families who have already contributed to our Harvest collection.



## **Pray for Pets Bucket Time!**



This week, pupils thoroughly enjoyed a very special '*Pray for Pets*' Bucket Time intervention. The session provided an opportunity for children to reflect on God's wonderful creation and to pray for the pets and animals that bring so much joy, companionship and comfort to our lives.

As part of the activity, pupils used their creativity to make their own paper animals, producing a colourful collection of much-loved pets and favourite creatures. The children were fully engaged throughout and loved sharing stories about their own animals at home.

A special thank you must also go to our wonderful staff team, who fully embraced the spirit of the event by dressing up as a variety of animals! Their enthusiasm, creativity and willingness to join in helped make the session even more memorable and brought lots of smiles and laughter to the day.

Well done to everyone involved for making this such a fun, meaningful and creative experience. It was lovely to see our school community coming together to celebrate and give thanks for the animals that enrich our lives.

## **Cross Country**

A wonderful morning and a big turnout from the boys and girls of St. Winifreds at Woodbank Park last Saturday morning. It was great to see some debutants and experienced runners test themselves across both 1.5k and 2.5k courses. Well done boys and girls!



## **Mrs Kendry's Book Club!**

What a wonderful book club launch Mrs Kendry had this week! Thank you to Jude and Lily for organising. So many children attended and loved reading with cushions and blankets, bookmark making, and drinking hot chocolate!



## **Art in Year Six**

Year 6 have been experimenting with different lines, shapes and patterns to represent real-life images of Brazil. This art topic links to our geography unit on South America.



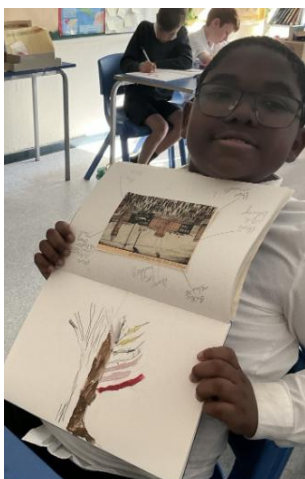
## **Science in 5M**

This week in Science, class 5M have been building on their knowledge of Friction and studying air resistance. The children learnt that air resistance is a type of friction that occurs between air and another material. The effects and benefits of air resistance in everyday life were also covered. The children learnt how the amount of air resistance is affected by the size and shape of an object and how this is used to help us design objects. We had great fun designing different sizes of parachutes and dropping them from a height.



## **Art in 5K**

We have been studying L.S.Lowry in art and discussing the difference between his drawings and his paintings. As a class, we decided colour has a real impact on a piece of work, so we tested this by all creating a tree image - one half of which was colour and one half no colour. Such beautiful work Class 5K!



## **Science in 5k**

What a cool morning 5K had yesterday testing out the air resistance of different parachutes! Their enquiry was whether the size of the parachute affects the time it takes to fall. It was

amazing to see Class 5K's predictions and thinking, and it was also great fun testing them!  
Science in action!



## **New Parenting Course**

Please find below details of a new parenting programme which is starting soon

**Strengthening Families, Strengthening Communities (SFSC)**, will begin in November.

### **Morning Course**

- Starts Tuesday 3rd November
- 9:30am to 12:30pm
- Offerton Hub, Half Moon Lane
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### **Evening Course**

- Starts Wednesday 4th November
- 6:00pm to 9:00pm
- Garners Lane

## **Secondary School Open Evenings**

|                             |                            |
|-----------------------------|----------------------------|
| Bramhall High School        | 24th September 5-7.30pm    |
| Cheadle Hulme High School   | 22nd October 6-8.30pm      |
| Harrytown School            | 1st October 4.00-6.30pm    |
| Hazel Grove High School     | 22nd October 5.00-8.00pm   |
| Laurus Cheadle Hulme School | 21st October 5.00-7.00pm   |
| Priestnall High School      | 22nd October 5-7.30pm      |
| Reddish Vale High School    | 15th October 4-7pm         |
| Stockport Academy           | 7th October 4.30-7pm       |
| Stockport School            | 8th October 5-8pm          |
| St Anne's Voluntary Academy | 8th October 5-8pm          |
| The Kingsway School         | 1st October 5-7.30pm       |
| Werneth School              | 24th September 4.30-7.30pm |

## Holiday Club Details



**SC 1ST**  
Tameside  
**HAF**  
Holiday, Activities & Food

**OCTOBER HOLIDAY CAMP**  
**ST WINIFRED'S PRIMARY SCHOOL, SK4 3JH**  
**MONDAY 19TH - FRIDAY 23RD OCTOBER**  
FOOTBALL, MULTI-SPORTS, DANCE & CRAFTS  
HAF FUNDED PLACES AVAILABLE  
EARLY BIRD DISCONT: NAR421  
FULL DETAILS BELOW! @SPORTFIRSTCOACHING

## Upcoming dates

\*Friday 9<sup>th</sup> October - Book Fair, 8.40am to 9am in the School Hall

## **Pupil Attendance**

Please see below the figures for pupil attendance for last week. Our school target is 97% pupil attendance. Please remember that school begins at 8:40am, with the gates being open from 8:40am-8:50am. Below are the attendance figures for each class for last week:

| Student Group | Present R/C |
|---------------|-------------|
|               | Marks (%)   |
| Year 1        | 98.5%       |
| Year 2        | 98.25%      |
| Year 3        | 96.89%      |
| Year 4        | 95.32%      |
| Year 5        | 93.82%      |
| Year 6        | 99.33%      |
| Year R        | 94.29%      |

We warmly welcome parents to approach us with any questions about school life. Please note that your first point of contact is always your class teacher.

In addition, Mrs Bird (Deputy Head Teacher), Mrs Gibb (Early Years), Mr Hanvey (Lower Key Stage Two), Mrs Kendry (Upper Key Stage Two) and I are always available to work in to support your child's learning and wellbeing.

We value open communication and welcome all to work together for the benefit of all our pupils.

Yours sincerely,  
Mrs A Duffy  
Headteacher

