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Living our Faith, Learning in Love

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Dear Families

I hope you are well?

Robinwood Residential

Earlier this week, our incredible Year 6 children attended their residential to the Robinwood Activity Centre at Dobroyd Castle in Todmorden.

During their stay they took part in very many activities including, canoeing, climbing, 'team challenges', the 'Piranha Pool' (!), 'The Giant Swing', an enormous zip wire, a blind-folded assault course, and so very many others, staying in dormitories each night with their friends.

I feel it important to tell you how incredibly proud I felt of every single one of these children for the entirety of this trip. Each member of this cohort was outstanding every minute of each day. The effort they applied to every activity, the enthusiasm and determination with which they faced each challenge and the level of encouragement and support they showed for each other was wonderful. They are without doubt, one of the very best cohorts we have ever taken to Robinwood and we were all so very proud of each of them.

Robinwood staff themselves even commented that this was the best school group they could ever remember hosting! This is high praise indeed – and so very deserved. Children, you are an enormous credit to our school and to your families, you make us proud every day, thank you for being so very special! (Please do have a look at our Facebook page for the videos).

Thank you Mrs Dutton, Mrs Mulvihill and Miss Bowen for leaving your families to enable the trip to take place – you were fabulous company, as always!

Year of Jubilee 2025 – A Year of Hope

Last Friday, 24th January saw the launch of the Year of Jubilee, during which Pope Francis invites us all to be signs of hope in our world.

As a school, we will be working with the children, encouraging them, through many different activities, to bring hope to people in our local community and further afield, helping them to feel they are not alone and that others do care.

We will be taking part again in the 'Lent Big Walk' as we try collectively, to walk as far as we can during the season of Lent, raising funds for CAFOD as we do. More details will follow about this after the half-term break.

The two symbols we see at the top of this page are those chosen for the Jubilee. The four figures in the boat depict people from all corners of the world, working together. The other logo is of 'Luce' (pronounced "Lu-chuh" which means 'light' in Italian. Dressed in her 'walking-gear', she represents a pilgrim of hope whose intention is to bring light to those in need.

We are thrilled to have had a number of Luce figures knitted for us by a wonderfully kind and talented member of our school-family whose grandson, Joseph was a pupil at our school a number of years ago. You will hear much more about these special figures, and how grateful we are to have them, shortly.

Children's Mental Health Week 3rd – 9th February

Next week is Children's Mental Health Week with the theme of, 'Know Yourself, Grow Yourself'. The children will be involved in many activities during the week following this theme which encourages the thought, by understanding who we are, we can find out what makes us feel happy, sad, anxious, or scared - or maybe all of them at once, and what to do about such feelings, how we can help ourselves.

As ever, this will be an important week and we look forward to sharing the children's learning with you.

I hope you all have a wonderful weekend and I very much look forward to seeing you all soon.

With very best wishes,



Anita Fagan
Headteacher

"I can do things you cannot, you can do things I cannot; together we can do great things" Mother Teresa