
Salford School

Prayer Collection



In June 2017, a team of volunteers from St Mary's Church and I led a 'Prayer Workshop' for the children of Salford School. The children learned that prayer is more than talking to God. It is about communication and we can communicate with God in different ways.

We prayed for the world, others and ourselves. Many of our prayers were responding to the tragic terrorist attack on Manchester which had just happened. We prayed using chalkboards, maps, and play-dough. We prayed in a tent and outside. We prayed with words, actions, pictures and silence. Not forgetting, post-it notes, fizzy experiments and writing on hands. We explored thank you prayers, saying sorry and experienced forgiveness.

One of the prayer stations was a post box and children were asked what they would like to thank God for about their school and to pray for their school. The answers were collated and the school council met to discuss the responses and begin to identify what the children of Salford would like to include in a prayer for their school. One prayer wasn't enough and so welcome to this collection of prayers for Salford School.

Revd Daile Wilshere (July 2017)

An Acrostic Prayer

Dear God

We thank you for Saltford School and

Science, sport and swimming in the pool,

Activities from art to athletics,

Library books and a place in which to sit and read,

Teachers who take us on trips and to camp,

Friends who care for us,

Our Secret Garden which we helped to design,

Respect and other school values like equality, acceptance and diversity,

Design & technology, and other exciting and varied lessons,

Singing in assemblies and school plays,

Church, community and confidence building,

Huff and Puff, our playground and playtimes,

Opportunities to learn,

Opportunities to learn about God,

Love, learning and everything else.

Amen

Bless You Prayers

Dear Lord

Bless this school as we swim in our pool.

Bless this school as we run for our lunch

Bless this school as we listen and learn

Amen

Dear Lord

Bless this school as we swim in the pool.

Bless this school as we play football.

Bless this school as we sing in the hall.

Bless this school as we chat at break time.

Amen

A Variety of prayers

Dear Lord

Thank you for our wonderful teachers.

Thank you for our diverse features.

Thank you for our places to play.

Thank you for learning new things, every day. Amen

Dear Lord
Thank you for our school.
Bless the teachers for the lessons they give.
Help us to be the best we can.
Amen

Dear God
Thank you for our school in which everyone is welcome.
May our school help everyone who comes work to the best of their ability.
May we not take our resources for granted.
Amen

Dear God
Thank you for friends, good teachers and many other people who help to make this school the best it can be.
May we work to the best of our ability.
We ask that **all** children would have an education as we would like everyone to be happy and feel safe.
Amen

Dear God
Thank you for our community.
May everyone know your forgiveness and peace.
Thank you for our world.
May everyone feel accepted.
Thank you for our education, help us to learn and love.
Thank you for all we have.
Amen

Dear Lord
Thank you for our friends.
Thank you for your love.
Thank you for our outside space.
And we thank you for everything else.
Amen

Dear God
We thank you for all the gifts around us that were sent from heaven above and we thank you for all the gifts you give to us to sustain our lives.
Amen

Which of these could be our school prayer?

Dear Lord

Thank you for our school where everyone is welcome.

Thank you for the different opportunities we have to learn.

We pray for teachers, staff, pupils and visitors .

May we work together to make our school a place where everyone is encouraged to learn to the best of their ability and everyone is treated with respect. Amen

Dear Lord

Thank you for all the resources we have.

For buildings, fields, a Secret Garden and our swimming pool.

For teachers and staff who care for us.

For different opportunities to learn, camps, trips and a variety of lessons.

We pray for other schools which do not have the resources and opportunities we have. Please help all children to receive an education and learn. Amen

Dear Lord

Thank you that our school is a place where we are encouraged to learn about you.

Thank you that our school is a place where we are encouraged to explore what we believe for ourselves.

Thank you that our school is a place where everyone is respected and deeply valued. Amen

Dear God

We thank you for our school.

We thank you for all the teachers and staff who work here.

We thank you for all the children who come to learn.

We pray our school would be a place of great discovery, adventure and creativity.

May it be a place where we love to learn and learn to love.

A place where everyone is respected and valued. Amen

Dear God

Thank you for looking after our school.

Thank you that you love each and everyone of us.

Help us to learn, play and share together,
so that the wonderful world you have made
becomes more beautiful everyday. Amen

