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The Lord reigns, He is robed in majesty;
the Lord is robed in majesty and armed
with strength; indeed, the world is
established, firm and secure.

Your throne was established long ago;
you are from all eternity.

The seas have lifted up, Lord, the seas
have lifted up their voice; the seas have
lifted up their pounding waves.

Mightier than the thunder of the great
waters, mightier than the breakers of the
sea - the Lord on high is mighty.

Psalms 93:1-4

The first half-term of the new academic year has now passed, and with it the first in-person assemblies for 18 months. Although it was great to be back in schools and being in front of pupils and staff again, instead of just a camera, it proved more difficult to adjust to than expected.

After those first few assemblies there were feelings of being disheartened, being discouraged, of questioning whether the message had been communicated effectively or not.

Those feelings were shared with Prayer Supporters and as they prayed for the next batch of assemblies, so God powerfully answered their prayers. Normal service was resumed.

We worship and serve a God who is constant and consistent in His dealings with us. As Psalm 93 reminds us it is God who reigns over creation, that His throne *was established long ago*, that He is *mightier than the thunder of great waters, mightier than the breakers of the sea*.

Our God, the Lord on high, the one we call Father, is mighty. He will stand with us in all things. In both the positive and negative aspects of life and ministry.

Through our relationship and trust in Him we can do all things through Him who gives us strength, however we might feel at times.

Please turn over for items to thank God for and to pray for.

Please thank God ...

- for Christopher, our schools worker, being able to be back in schools once again
- for the assemblies that have already been taken this term
- for the Annual Celebration and for those who attended in person and online
- for the Trustees who continue to oversee the ministry of CIS; Chris Jenkins (Chair), Crista Haak, Kevin How (Secretary), Roger Aldridge, Ashley and Chris Croft, Penny Bainbridge and Martin Money (Treasurer)

Please pray ...

- for the health and well-being of all pupils and staff as Covid infection rates have increased dramatically in our area over recent weeks
- for forthcoming assemblies and other speaking engagements:- **Pix Brook Academy** 11th and 12th November, 2nd and 3rd December (all recorded); **St. Francis College Prep.** 15th November and 13th December (in person); **St. Mary's C of E Academy, Stotfold** 16th November and 14th December (in person/recorded); **St. Francis College Seniors** 22nd November (in person); **Grange Academy** 24th November and 15th December (in person); **Norton St. Nicholas** 29th November and 20th December (in

person); **Roecroft Lower School, Stotfold** 2nd December (recording); **Etonbury Academy** 13th December (recording), 14th, 15th, 16th and 17th December (in person)

- for the Christmas Journey at St. Paul's Church 6th to 10th December
- for all the pupils and staff who will be attending Christmas Journey and also for the recorded version that will be going out to other schools who are unable to attend the in person event
- for Christopher as he takes part in the St. Francis College Prep. Carol Services on 9th and 10th December
- for wisdom as we seek to restart the lunchtime clubs at Knights Templar, Etonbury Academy, Highfield and Fearnhill
- for the CIS Quiz on Friday 26th November at 7pm at Letchworth Garden City Church, Icknield Way
- for Christopher's health in the build up to all the Christmas activities, particularly as he continues to recover from having contracted Covid in the last few days

Thank you for your continued prayerful and practical support

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