



Sharing our Gifts and Growing our Talents Together

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'Christian Value' – Fairness

'But the wisdom from above is first pure, then peaceable, gentle, open to reason, full of mercy and good fruits, impartial and sincere.'

James 3:17

15th April 2016

Head's Message

Welcome back to the Summer Term. We have lots of exciting events lined up this term, including the possibility of some parent versus children sporting events, so please make sure you check the website and home contacts. We are also busily finalising the Academies which will start on 9th June. Letters will be going home about this shortly. Finally I am delighted that Pott Shrigley Class 3 children are enjoying their little 'adventure' at St John's. The Year 6 children are benefitting from working as a cohort together in preparation for their national tests.

Swimming

Class 1 at both sites are swimming this term. Swimming starts for Pott Shrigley Class 1 on Tuesday 19th April. Swimming for Class 1 at St John's starts on Friday 22nd April.

Forest Schools

The Federation reception children started at Forest School this week. They had a wonderful time, explored the forest and captured items in magic string.

Pott Shrigley Rose Queen

Preparations have started for the Pott Shrigley Rose Queen Festival which takes place the weekend of 11th/12th June. The PTA have sent out information about this via home contact and would be very grateful for volunteers to help with the planning of this event, so if you feel you can help in any way, please contact Savannah Christensen, Louise Eyre or Meredith Barlow-Walsh. There will also be an evening Celidh event on 11th June which is being organised by Pott Shrigley Village Hall and will be held on the Village Green.

After School Clubs

Letters are being sent home with the children with information about the after school clubs which start week commencing 25th April with the exception of Football Club and Booster Clubs which have already started and St. John's PTA Gardening Club that starts again on Monday. Please return your slip with choice of clubs by next Tuesday 19th April. Some of the clubs have limited numbers so it will be first come first served for these.

Road to Rio

Throughout the term the children will be challenging themselves to collectively walk or run the distance from Bollington to Rio to mark the 2016 Olympic Games. Every child can choose to walk, jog or run around a track on the school grounds for 15 minutes each day. Collectively the children hope to cover the 5,000 miles. The track will be marked out each morning before school so why not walk some laps with your child when you bring them to school as your laps will be counted as well! We hope that Road to Rio will prove a very beneficial initiative for the children.

Reception Quails

Mrs Jobbins has sent a letter home to parents about the two quails in her class. The quails are now 5 weeks old and thriving. Any parents who wish to support Mrs Jobbins in caring for the quails should contact her.

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In school next week

Mon - Mrs Walker at St John's am and Pott Shrigley pm. Heads meeting at Bollington Cross.

Tues - Mrs Walker at St John's am and Pott Shrigley pm.

Wed - Mrs Walker at Pott Shrigley am and St John's pm.

Thur - Mrs Walker at St John's am and Pott Shrigley pm.

Fri - Mrs Walker at St John's am and Pott Shrigley pm.

Please remember messages for Mrs Walker can be left with Mrs Sinclair/Mrs Blackwell or Mrs Watson at any time.

Curriculum update

Class 1 St John's – In Class one this week we have welcomed back our quail chicks after the Easter holiday. They have grown such a lot! We have been learning about growth and change and after planting our sunflower seeds we started a sunflower diary that we will write in every week. We set up an experiment to work out what seeds need in order to grow. We planted one seed and we have given it sunshine and water. We then planted another seed but we have given it only sunshine. The last seed we have given just water and it has no sunshine at all. We'll let you know what happens next!

Class 1 Pott Shrigley – This week in Class 1 we have started our new topic, Water. We have explored the water cycle, the uses of water and what they use water for on a daily basis. In Literacy, we have started looking at Quest Stories, focusing on the text 'Lost and Found'. In Maths, we have been concentrating on doubling and halving numbers as well as addition and subtraction of multiples of 10.

Class 2 St John's – In literacy this week we have been using adjective to expand noun phrases and trying to add lots of description into our writing. In maths we have moved on to looking at units of measurement and in IPC we have started our exciting new topic called being human. We drew round our bodies and had a go at placing all our internal organs in the correct places and today we have moved onto looking at the central nervous system paying particular attention to the brain and its different functions. The children are busy making their very own brain hats.

Class 2 Pott Shrigley – In Class 2 we have been looking at measuring and perimeter. In our literacy sessions, our trip to the zoo has helped us start some persuasive writing. The children have also been learning about inspirational people through our new topic.

Class 3 St John's – This week in Class 3, we have been looking at our new IPC topic 'The Holiday Show.' In English, we have been looking at short stories and have started to plan and write our own short story. In Maths, we have focussed on place value and mental addition and subtraction methods.

Class 3 Pott Shrigley – This week Class 3 have been exploring fantasy stories from the book, 'Tales from Outer Suburbia'. They have also begun to plan their own short fantasy story. In Maths, Year 5 have been learning to mentally add and subtract money. Year 6 have continued to practise mental methods for multiplication and division. They have started a new topic, 'The Holiday Show'. They have planned a holiday for a family on a budget and researched holiday destinations.

Please join us at St Christopher's Church for the Pott Shrigley Family Service, which is being led by Class 1, on Sunday 17th April at 10.45am.

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