

# 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

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#### Head's Message

With the SATs tests now completed we are looking forward to all the activities we have planned for the rest of the summer term. Just to remind you that our Academies will start on June 9<sup>th</sup> and run for six weeks – the last week being the celebration event for the children to proudly display what they have been doing. Letters about Academies will be sent home next week. Among numerous other things we also have an Olympic themed Sports Day to look forward to and a street party to celebrate the Queen's 90<sup>th</sup> birthday.

### **SATs Week**

A huge well done to all the children who completed their SATs tests this week. We could not be more proud of you all.

### **School Improvements**

Thinking ahead to next year, I have registered the Federation for the Good to Outstanding Group, a Core Leadership Training Programme and a Global Learning Partnership. I have also enrolled Year 5 with Love Music Trust (to receive tuition) and entered the Federation to take part in Young Voices.

### **Wave of Prayer**

Following the Archbishop of Canterbury's call for Christians to celebrate a week of prayer leading up to Pentecost, Beverley, the Children's Minister at St Oswald's Church has erected a prayer station at St John's for the children to use. St Oswald's Church has been decorated with many interactive prayer stations and families are welcome to pop along on Saturday, when the church will be open all day.

#### Class 3

After more than a month at St John's, Class 3 from Pott Shrigley will be back at Pott Shrigley all day from Monday. I cannot stress how wonderfully all the children of the Federation have behaved during this month.

### **Parent Worships**

Please remember we have Celebration Worship next Friday, and you are all invited to join us. The School Councils/Safeguarding groups will be speaking and all children who wish to show off their musical talents will be entertaining us. Pott Shrigley worship will start at 9am and St John's at 2.45pm.

### **Head's Clinics**

I will be available all day Wednesday at Pott Shrigley (except for an EYFS meeting for part of the morning) and all day Thursday at St John's.

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### In school next week

Mon - Mrs Walker at Pott Shrigley am and St John's pm. Uganda Church meeting pm.

Tues - Mrs Walker at Head's meeting am and Pott Shrigley pm.

Wed - Mrs Walker at Pott Shrigley all day. EYFS meeting am.

Thur - Mrs Walker at St John's am all day.

Fri - Mrs Walker at Pott Shrigley am and St John's pm. Parent's assemblies at both sites.

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 – This week we have focussed on time; we made our own clocks and watches and we used them to practice our o'clock recognition. In literacy we have started to look at opening lines in stories as we are planning to write our own version of the story Lost and Found by Oliver Jeffers. At forest school this week made mud faces and followed recipes in the mud kitchen. Our quails have now started laying and we are looking forward to tasting the eggs!

**Class 1 Pott Shrigley** – In literacy this week, Year 1 have been looking at Traditional Tales. Year 2 joined in on Thursday and they have all now written their own version of Goldilocks and the Three Bears. In maths, we have been concentrating on word problems and distinguishing between the different functions.

Class 2 St John's –This week we have been doing lots of practise for our SATs next week! We have looked at shapes, symmetry and lots of mental arithmetic. We also had the pleasure of walking up to White Nancy to fly our own kites. We had such a wonderful time with the students from Manchester University. The children will get to keep their kites and the students will be making a sculpture out of a copy of them. We would like to say a huge thank you to our wonderful parent helpers. I will be putting lots of photos on the website for you to enjoy.

**Class 2 Pott Shrigley** – In literacy, Class 2 have been analysing poems and using what they have learnt, to write a description. In maths, we have been looking at problem solving.

**Class 3 St John's** – This week maths, Class 3 have been looking at co-ordinates and translating and reflecting shapes. In English, they have been creating persuasive presentations to advertise a tourist destination. They then presented these to Class 2 who evaluated their success. In IPC, they have been creating a leaflet about tectonic plates.

**Class 3 Pott Shrigley** – This week in maths, Class 3 have been plotting coordinates and reflecting shapes. In literacy, we have read the book 'Holes' by Louis Sachar. We have discussed the plot and characters. In topic, we have made power points to persuade people to go on holiday.

Please join us at St Christopher's Church, Pott Shrigley at 10.45am for the Family Service on Sunday which is being led by Class 3.

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