

Sharing our Gifts and Growing our Talents Together

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'Christian Value' - Humility

'Do nothing out of selfish ambition or vain conceit. Rather, in humility value others above yourselves.'

Philippians 2:3

10th June 2016

Head's Message

Welcome back to our last half term of the year. This term our Christian value is Humility – picked by the Ethos Group at St John's. Before we broke up we had a very productive INSET day with staff either on First Aid training, moderating or adding the finishing touches to the school 'Superhero' library. Many thanks to all staff involved. The Federation Year 2 and Year 6 teachers have been busy marking tests and finalising assessment data, which has been a huge task this year due to new requirements. Please note I am sending out a leaflet for Year 2 parents with this newsletter. Next week we are doing our phonics screening and also taking part in 'Healthy Food Week'.

Academies

We are delighted the Academies got off to a flying start yesterday and all the children appeared to have a great time. The Journalism Academy will be updating the Website and so please keep checking for weekly updates.

Youth Speaks

Following an excellent speech in the Youth Speaks heat, next Tuesday evening our St John's team will be participating in the final. We wish them every success and look forward to updating you with the results next week.

Rose Queen

The Pott Shrigley Rose Queen Festival takes place this weekend so please come and join us in church on Saturday at 1.45pm for the crowning ceremony and then on the Village Green for Maypole Dancing and Stalls. The Rose Queen Family Service is on Sunday at St. Christopher's Church at 10.45 a.m. Thank you for your support.

Road to Rio

The current tally still stands at 751 – only 4549 miles to go! We are hoping to make a positive impact on this number next week.

Federation Class 2 Trip

Class 2 are going on their trip to Magna Science Centre next Wednesday 15th June. Please ensure that your child arrives at their own school site in plenty of time as the coach will be leaving promptly at 9.00 a.m. Please note that the children will not return to school until approximately 5.00 p.m. and should be collected from their own school site. All children should bring a packed lunch AND A SNACK in a named plastic bag with them except those children who normally receive a free meal as one will be provided for them. The children will not need any spending money as they will be having an action packed day at workshops. We hope that they have a very exciting trip.

Federation Class 3 Trip

Class 3 are visiting the Manchester United Education Centre on Tuesday 28th June. Not all parents have returned their medical consent form, so please complete and return to the school office as soon as possible. The trip departs from St. John's School at 9am *prompt* and will be returning at approximately 3:30pm, to St. John's school. If any parents of Pott Shrigley children are unable to drop-off/collect from St. John's, then please speak to the school office.

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In school next week

- Mon Mrs Walker at a Wellbeing Conference.
- Tues Mrs Walker at St John's am and Pott Shrigley pm. Youth Speaks final at the Deanwater.
- Wed Mrs Walker at a 'Good to Outstanding' meeting and then St John's pm.
- Thur Mrs Walker at St John's am and Pott Shrigley pm. Academy week 2. Leadership training.
- 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 – This week the children have enjoyed starting to explore our new transport topic. They have completed some super independent writing on where they went in the half-term holiday.

Class 1 Pott Shrigley – In Class 1 this week, we have been looking at Rainbow Sentences in literacy to improve our punctuation. In maths, we have been looking at money problems. We have also looked closely at the Bible, focusing on the story of 'Jesus Calms The Storm'.

Class 2 St John's – In literacy this week we have been creating our own new and exciting creatures and doing pieces of descripting writing about them. In maths we have been looking at how to measure temperature. We have used thermometers and done experiments. In IPC we have started our new topic of Time, Place, Earth and Space. The children have started a fantastic display to document their progress throughout the topic.

Class 2 Pott Shrigley – Class 2 have been exploring the topic of Africa in literacy and the water cycle in science. In maths we have been looking at angles and time.

Class 3 St John's – In maths this week, we have been converting between different units of measure. In English, we have been starting to explore the stories of Phillip Pullman. In IPC, we have been investigating friction on different surfaces. We have also started to practise for the Leavers' Assembly.

Class 3 Pott Shrigley – This week Class 3 have begun to read 'Northern Lights' by Phillip Pullman. We have researched his life and what inspired him to become a writer. In Maths we have been multiplying and dividing mixed fractions. We have started our new topic 'Fairgrounds'. We have discovered how roller coasters rely on gravity to make them work.

Please join us at the Rose Queen Family Service at St Christopher's Church on Sunday at 10.45am.

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