

Sharing our Gifts and Growing our Talents Together Headteacher: Mrs M. Walker Head of Teaching, Learning and Assessment: Mrs E. Watson

# 'Christian Value' - Endurance

'Let these Bible verses inspire you to proceed through whatever challenges you may face in life. Let them help you gain endurance, for endurance leads to growth in character and hope.'

Romans 5:3

27<sup>th</sup> January 2017

#### Head's Message

We are all looking forward to the parent's assemblies next week, where Class 3 at St John's and Class 1 at Pott Shrigley will take the lead. St John's will be taking part in the local Well Dressing this year, an event in which we are asked to participate approximately every four years. More details on this will follow. Preparations are also underway for the Big Sing event, which should be a magical experience for the choir to take part in.

#### **The Selfish Giant**

We are all very excited about the visit from the theatre company on Tuesday 31<sup>st</sup> January for their performance of The Selfish Giant. Permission slips and payment must be returned by close of play on Monday. (Please be reminded that we accept an ePayment as permission). Cash/cheques delivered to either school office however still require the accompanying permission slip. The children from Pott Shrigley will be transported to St. John's for the afternoon but parents/carers should collect them from St. John's at the end of the school day.

#### **Parent Assemblies**

Please be advised that Pott Shrigley's Parent Assembly is on Thursday 2<sup>nd</sup> February at 3pm and St John's Parent Assembly is on Friday 3<sup>rd</sup> February at 3pm. Tea and coffee will be available beforehand. Please come and join us.

#### **Young Voices**

We are very excited that the Federation Choir is going to be performing at this wonderful event at the Manchester Area on Thursday 9<sup>th</sup> February. Parents of pupils in the Choir are able to buy tickets to attend and should have all the information required to be able to purchase their tickets, but please do speak to the school office if you need these details again.

#### St John's PTA meeting

Their first meeting of the New Year will take place on Wednesday 1<sup>st</sup> February at 3:30pm at St. John's School. Please sign-in via Reception if you are able to attend. There will be lots of agenda items to discuss, not least the volume of cakes that will need baking this term for all the wonderful events taking place in the school.

#### In school next week

- Mon Mrs Walker at St John's am and Pott Shrigley pm.
- Tues Mrs Walker at St John's am and all Federation at St John's for The Selfish Giant.
- Wed Mrs Walker at a meeting.
- Thur Mrs Walker at St John's am and Pott Shrigley pm.
- Frid Mrs Walker is at Pott Shrigley am and St John's pm.

Please remember messages for Mrs Walker can be left at any time.

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#### Curriculum update

\*Please note due to staff circumstances there are no curriculum updates for Pott Shrigley this week. Updates will resume next week.

**Class 1 St John's** – This week we have set up our very own dinosaur park. We have built enclosures and made signs. In maths we have been using the balancing scales to compare the weights of objects from around the room. In literacy we have been looking at the book "Dinosaurs in our School" and we have set up our own naughty dinosaur scenes and written about them.

**Class 2 St John's** – This week in English we have had much excitement due to our Gingerbread man escape! We have been on a hunt around the school, written newspaper articles and recorded our own news broadcasts. In Maths we have been dividing by two and ordering 2 digit numbers. In IPC we have been learning all about our skeletons and how they protect our organs.

**Class 3 St John's** – In English, we have been looking at writing complex sentences, and planning our reports about Warner Bros. Studios. In maths, we have been focusing on subtraction strategies and in IPC we have been working on circuits and constructing circuits to test electrical conductors.

**Class 4 St John's** – This week, Class 4 have been exploring story structure and have planned and started to write their own adventure or quest stories. In maths, we have worked on mental multiplication and division methods. In IPC, we have researched the legacy the Romans left behind.

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