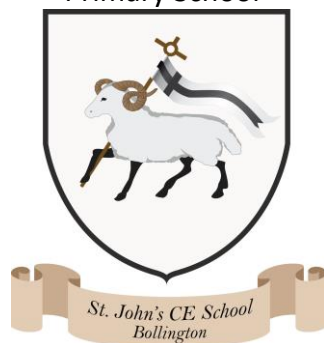


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## 'Christian Value' – Trust

*'In God, whose word I praise – in God I trust and am not afraid.'*

*Psalm 56:4*

10<sup>th</sup> March 2017

### Head's Message

I had the great pleasure of attending the Cross Country event after school on Wednesday night with our marvellous St John's team. Well done to all who took part, in what was a very muddy and very challenging course. We are proud of you all. As I mentioned this week the school is in need of five governors – three foundation governors and two parent governors. Foundation governors are open to anyone, not just parents, so if you know anyone who you feel would be interested, and could uphold the Christian ethos of our school; please mention the vacancies to them.

### Safeguarding Assembly

Following our wonderful assembly by the Safeguarding Council last week, their presentation has been sent to the Safeguarding Team to include in their next bulletin. I have received the following email from Karen Porter.

*'Hello,*

*I just wanted to say that I have heard about the fantastic job you are doing in making sure that everyone is safe in your school. I have seen a photograph of you all and the PowerPoint which you delivered in assembly...great work!! We want every school to hear what you have been doing so we are going to include it in the next "Super Safeguarding" newsletter.*

*Really proud of you all, Best wishes.*

***Karen Porter'***

### Funding – National Funding Formula

Please take a moment to read the home contact I sent yesterday about the National Funding Formula. The proposal will result in a £9.3million reduction to funding for education across Cheshire East and our school will have a reduction of £8,000 which is a decrease of 2.1% of our total budget. Please click onto the link below and answer Q1 only.

<https://consult.education.gov.uk/funding-policy-unit/schools-national-funding-formula2/consultation/intro/>

### Sustainability Research

Children in Class 4 took part in some Sustainability research this week, and learned all about environmental safety. This works ties into a strand of my School Development Plan. The research was undertaken by Helen Kennedy, who praised the children for their behaviour and reasoned responses.

### Youth Speaks Competition

Three children from Class 4 will be representing the school at the Ashgrove Academy on Tuesday at 4.15pm.

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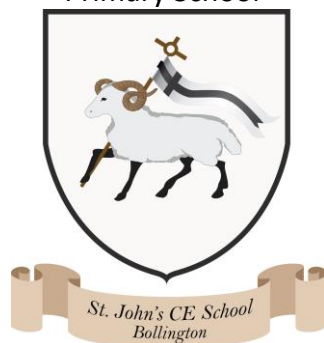
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**In school next week:**

Mon - The start of British Science Week.

Tues - Mrs Walker at Tytherington Heads Meetings. Youth Speaks competition.

Wed - Small Schools Cross County Y3 to Y6 at Macclesfield Leisure Centre at 4.15pm.

Frid - Mrs Walker on Designated Safeguarding Lead training.

Sun - St Oswald's Family Communion at 10.30am.

**Curriculum update**

**Class 1** – This week in Reception we have been writing about animal babies and learning about the life cycle of our Muscovy Ducks. In maths we have been focussing on number bonds and using the vocabulary involved in addition. We have candled our duck eggs and we have seen the tiny embryo growing within each egg.

**Class 2** – This week in literacy we have been looking at the life cycle of a frog and made our own frog information booklets. In maths we have been doing number bonds up to 20 and measuring length in cm. in IPC we have been looking at animal adaptations.

**Class 3** – In English, we have been writing our stories based on Roald Dahl's 'Fantastic Mr. Fox'. In maths, we have been learning methods for mental addition and subtraction. In IPC, we have been exploring sound by looking at musical instruments and our ears.

**Class 4** – This week, Class 4 have been exploring perimeter and area in maths lessons. We have looked at formulas for rectangles and triangles and have solved problems involving compound shapes. In English, we are continuing working on The Watertower, and have been writing in role as Spike, one of the main characters. Year 6 also went to a wonderful Science morning at Tytherington. In RE, we looked at the Parable of the Hidden Treasure.



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