

Bollington St. John's Church of England  
Primary School



*Where talent grows*

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## 'Christian Value' – Reverence

*'Only fear the Lord and serve Him in truth with all your heart; for consider what great things He has done for you.'*

*1 Samuel 12:24*

15<sup>th</sup> September 2017

### Head's Message

Another busy week, but one in which the children have launched themselves into their school work, settled in their classes. On Monday I attended a conference at Park Royal School to launch an Emotionally Healthy Schools initiative. This scheme should run all year and provide excellent training opportunities for both pupils and staff. On Wednesday Rev Veronica, Beverley and Scruffy the dog came to welcome the new starters in Reception. Today we have had our first regular Friday Celebration Assembly and I am delighted at all the good work and good news that has been shared already.

### Free School Meals

Please see the attached letter about applying for free school meals. If you think you may be eligible please contact the school office for more details.

### After School Clubs

After school clubs start on Monday 25<sup>th</sup> September and will run until Friday 1<sup>st</sup> December, except for half term week and Parent's Evening week.

### In school next week:

Monday – Committee 1 meeting.

Tuesday – Mrs Walker at Tytherington Heads meeting.

Wednesday – Committee 3 and 4 meetings.

Thursday – World Peace Day.

Friday – Jewish Assembly for the children.

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**Curriculum update:**

**Class 1** – What a busy week! We have collected lots of apples from the orchard and on Thursday we used some to make a delicious apple crumble. We have focussed on 2D shapes; searching for them in our classroom and making pictures and patterns with them. In literacy we have played lots of rhyming games and practised making our name with magnetic letters.

**Class 2** – This week we have been looking at our special toys and have turned them into a set of top trumps cards. We have looked at a collection of old toys and created some beautiful water colour paintings. We then used these paintings to inspire a piece of writing. In maths we have been counting in tens and focusing on 2 digit numbers.

**Class 3** – Another great week for us! In maths, we focused on different methods of subtraction. We are enjoying our 'Scavengers and Settlers' topic. In literacy, we travelled back to the stone age and have written a letter describing our time there. In our topic lessons, we at how fossils are formed and created our own fossils. We have studied the stone age diet and have investigated this practically in our lesson 'pooos of the past`.

**Class 4** – This week we have been enjoying learning about the history of living things and creating art work reflective of the different periods of time. In maths, we have focused on place value and mastery of column addition. In English, we have written diary entries in role as Bradley, the main character of the book we are reading at the moment. We also enjoyed reading with our new reading buddies in Class 1 and 2 for the first time.

**Sports news:**

Class 1 have been using music to discover different ways that they can move their bodies around the hall using a jungle theme. Class 2's gymnastic session concentrated on balance and floor movements. Class 3 have been doing Archery as part of their IPC topic. Class 4 have been practicing their netball and basketball skills.



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