

Bollington St. John's Church of England
Primary School



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'Christian Value' – Creation

'Then God blessed the seventh day and made it holy, because on it he rested from all the work of creating that he had done.'

Genesis 2:3

24th November 2017

Head's Message

Well done to the children who took part in the swimathon last Sunday and swam an amazing 78 lengths of the pool. What a brilliant team effort. I also want to say well done to the children in Class 4 who 'took over' the school on Monday during Universal Children's Day. They rose to the challenge magnificently and were a credit to the school. We have also received a £2,000 cheque from the Greggs Foundation, after I applied for a grant to improve our outside environment. We will keep you updated with any news on how this money is spent. Finally we hope to see you all at our Christingle Service at school next Friday at 2pm.

Collections

Thank you to everyone who attended Class 4s worship last Friday and donated. A wonderful £138.34 will be split between BBC Children in Need and Millie's Trust.

Music Workshops

Class 4 had the privilege of Mr Beecher from Tytherington High School, leading a music workshop on Wednesday. The theme of the workshop was based around the current class topic of emotions. They created a musical picture of a journey through haunted house.

PTA

Please remember the PTA disco next Friday. We received wonderful news this week that the funds raised for the PTA via the Co-op scheme comes to **£3,812.68**. The cheque presentation takes place on Saturday at 11:00am and we do hope lots of you can attend. On a separate note, can we please make an appeal for volunteers to join the PTA. They work so hard raising funds for our school, but at the moment a small number of people do an awful lot of work. If you have any spare time or feel you could help in any way please contact Ric Cotton or Claire Beardmore.

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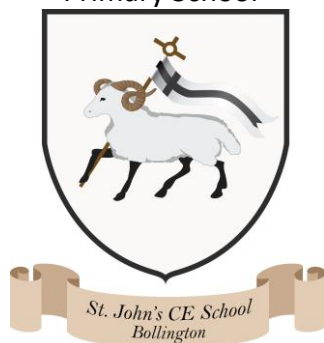
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Easy Fundraising

It's estimated that over £1.4 billion will be spent online on 'Black Friday' this week and each time parents, staff and friends shop online via easyfundraising or The Giving Machine, you can collect a **FREE donation for your PTA**. If everyone shopped online with easyfundraising this Friday, over £28m would be raised for good causes, including ours! Please sign up:

easyfundraising: <https://www.easyfundraising.org.uk/causes/bollingtonstjohnsschoolpta/>

The Giving Machine: <https://www.thegivingmachine.co.uk/causes/st-johns-ce-primary-school-pta/support>

In school next week:

Monday – Mrs Stout first aid training.

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Friday – Mrs Roberts at first aid training. 2pm Christingle at school. PTA disco at school 6.00pm to 7.30pm.

Curriculum update:

Class 1 – This week we have been continuing our learning around hibernation. We have looked at information books and discussed the differences between these and story books. We have written our own fact book about hedgehogs and finished making our own hedgehog models out of clay. In maths we have started learning about money; we have focussed on identifying coins and adding up 1p coins. Thank you to Class 4 for a super day on Monday, we really enjoyed being taught by you.

Class 2 – In literacy this week we have been researching how to write a diary in preparation for writing our own diary entries next week. In maths we have been counting in 2s, 5s and 10s and revising our number bonds. We have also been very busy preparing for our upcoming Nativity and Christingle service.

Class 3 – This week, in maths, we have looked at bar graphs. In our topic of 'Chocolate' we have created a timeline for the Aztec civilisation. In literacy, we have written a letter to the publishers of Charlie and the Chocolate factory asking them not to change the story.

Class 4 – This week started with 'Take Over Day'. After writing their letters of application and being interviewed for their roles, the pupils carried out their duties wonderfully, and we all had a great day. I am very proud of them all. In English, we have been writing our short stories, focusing on creating atmosphere and showing a change in character over the course of the story. In maths, we have been looking at measures, including converting from km to m, ml to l and kg to grams and visa versa. In IPC, we have been creating art work inspired by our feeling towards a special place.

Sports news – Class 1 and 2 have taken part in some fitness sessions using music and movements. Class 3 did some basketball with the new PE staff on Monday (well done to Kaiden, Jacob and Andrew). Class 4 worked on general fitness with BoxFit and fencing.

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