

Bollington St. John's Church of England
Primary School



Where talent grows

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'Christian Value' – Peace

'The Lord bless you and keep you; the Lord make his face shine upon you and be gracious to you; the Lord turn His face toward you and give you peace.'

Numbers 6:24-26

15th June 2018

Head's Message

Once again there has been a lot going on in school this week. I attended Stonewall training on Tuesday, which was organised by the diocese. As a school we are now Stonewall Champions. I also attended training on the new SIAMs inspections, which will change from September 2018. We need to enjoy our outstanding status as the norm from September is that most schools will be designated as good. The outstanding status has been replaced with excellent. Class 3 enjoyed a wonderful Comic Book workshop on Monday and Class 4 behaved excellently during their puberty talk with the school nurse. Finally we were delighted to welcome our beekeeper, Mr Beardmore, into school yesterday to talk to pre-school and Class 1 about his bees.

Ethos Group and Christian Values

Our RE Link Governor, Tess Phillips, came into school this week to meet with the Ethos group, as they picked the Christian Values we will be exploring next year. After a lengthy and thoughtful discussion the children have decided on: Community, Goodwill, Hope, Grace, Wisdom and Joy. The new values are now on the front page of the website.

Phonics Screening

Well done to the children who took part in the Phonics Screening test this week. Mrs Stout was very proud of you all.

Youth Speaks

Our Youth Speaks team are all ready to represent the school at the Deanwater Hotel on Tuesday at 4.30pm. They have practiced very well and prepared an excellent speech. We wish them every success.

School Work

We are in the process of organising a lovely new school sign to be fitted above the school entrance. Added to this, repair work to fix pipes will take place over the summer holiday, as will work to bring the school hall floor back to its original glory.

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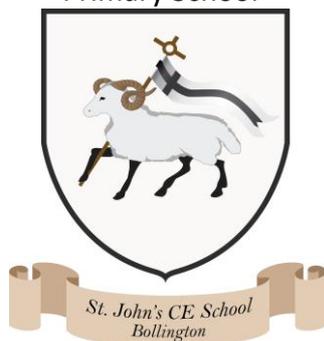
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Sports Day

Please note Sports Day has now been arranged for Friday 13th July at 2pm. A reserve date of Wednesday 18th July has also been set. Sadly Mr Rutherford is unable to break his cricket commitments to join us.

In school next week:

Tuesday – Tytherington Head's Meeting. Youth Speaks at the Deanwater at 4.30pm.

Wednesday – Year 6 Fire Service Road Safety talk.

Thursday – Academies Week 3. Mrs Walker at diocese cluster meeting.

Curriculum update:

Class 1 – This week in Reception we have been learning all about bees! We have looked at the life cycle and the roles of a worker bee; body parts of a bee and the importance of their work. We welcomed Paul Beardmore (Happy Valley Honey) into our class on Thursday with 15,000 of his bees. We watched the queen laying eggs in to the beeswax cells, the nurse bees feeding the larvae and the worker bees cleaning the queen. We also tried 4 types of honey, put on the beekeeping suits and made a candle out of sheets of beeswax. It was a fascinating day!

Class 2 – This week in literacy we have designed a friend for Beegu and built him out of salt dough. We have then written a description of why he would make a good friend. In maths we have been doing word problems and adding on ten to two digit numbers. In IPC we have looked at transport from around the world and designed and built our own new modes of transport.

Class 3 – This week, in maths, children have completed short division problems. In literacy we have completed our unit of poetry. Children have created and performed poems. In IPC, we have created artwork of famous landmarks ready for use in a class display.

Class 4 – This week, class 4 have been researching famous mathematicians, trying out their methods and comparing them to the methods which we use today. In English, we have been writing newspaper reports based on the animation, 'The Lighthouse', focusing on the use of formal language and ensuring key information is included. We have also started rehearsals for the leavers' play.

Sports News – In PE this week Class 1 practised their throwing and catching skills, Class 2 took part in tennis and athletics, Class 3 continued to enjoy playing rounders and in Class 4 they have been working on their tennis skills and athletics.

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