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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

6th July 2018

Head's Message

It was so lovely to see so many of you at the launch of the Bollington Arts Festival, showcasing the talents of the children from the village on Friday. The St John's choir, in my opinion, stole the show! It is wonderful to join our friends from the other three Bollington schools for community events such as this. Thank you to Mrs Jobbins for all her hard work organising it. Reports will now go home on Wednesday 11th July as we will not receive the results of the Year 6 SATs tests until Tuesday 10th July. Please can I remind you that our Year 6 Leavers Play is on the last day of term, Tuesday 24th July, at 9.15am. We hope you can all make it so that we can give our super Year 6 cohort the goodbye they deserve. Tonight they will be the guests of honour at the Leavers Disco. Finally the children may continue to wear their PE kits while this hot weather continues.

Academy Celebration

Next Thursday we have our Academy Celebration event, to which you are all warmly invited. It will start at 9.15am. The Enterprise Academy have spent the last few weeks making various items (including slime), and so please remember to bring money (coins please as we will have very little change), as all their products will be available to purchase.

Transition

Transition events for the Year 5 and 6 children have taken place this week, and all the children 'moved up' to their new classrooms on Monday. We have also welcomed our September new starters and held a parent's information evening, complete with rather lovely food. Our new school uniform was also on display, which was rather beautiful.

Sports Day

We will be holding Sports Day next Friday at 2pm. We are starting a little later this year due to the hot weather.

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September Staffing

As mentioned the four classes will have the same teachers in September, but I can now confirm where teaching assistants will be. Class 1 will have Mrs Roberts and Mrs Harris will be teaching on a Friday, as Mrs Jobbins will be working Monday to Thursday. Mrs Hyde will remain in Class 2. Mrs Cooper will remain in Class 3. Mrs O'Reilly will stay in Class 4. Mrs Harris will be running intervention groups with children from Monday to Thursday.

Uniform

Please don't forget that you can now buy your school uniform from Trutex in Macclesfield, they even have a click-and-collect service: https://trutexmacclesfield.com/school/bollington-st-johns-school/

We are still selling off our stock, now reduced by 10%.

Summer Reading Challenge

Fliers have gone out in book bags this week to promote the Bollington Library Summer Reading Challenge. This will run from Saturday 7th July to Saturday 8th September. Stickers and incentives are collected along the way as the children progress through this year's topic of 'Mischief Makers', inspired by Bean which celebrates its 80th anniversary.

In school next week:

Tuesday – Mrs Walker at EHS meeting. Wednesday – Reports home. Thursday – Academy Celebration at 9.15am. Friday – Sports Day at 2pm.

Curriculum update:

Class 1 – This week in Reception we have focussed on our topic of 'Growing Up'. The children have written about what they want to be when they grow up and we have discussed how gender should not stop us from doing the jobs we most want to do. In maths we have focussed on number bonds to 10 and we have extracted number sentences from word problems. We all enjoyed welcoming our new Reception children on Wednesday and having our final swimming session on Friday morning.

Class 2 – In Class Two this week we have started to retell the story of Beegu through story maps. In maths the Year Ones have started multiplication of two's, five's and ten's and the Year Twos have measured the temperature in areas all around the school and they have made a bar chart with the results. In Science we made paper aeroplanes and tested them to see how far they would travel.

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Class 3 – This week, in maths, children have worked on finding equivalent fractions. In literacy we have created our own non-chronological reports on an animal of our choice. In IPC, children have thought about the local area and compared it to Paris.

Class 4 – It's been a busy week for class 4. The year 6s have been on a range of transition days to their High Schools, and the year 5s had a 'Day of Culture' at Tytherington High School. In maths, we have been completing problem solving and investigations. In English, we have written character descriptions. Rehearsals for the play have also continued.

Sports News – This week Class 1 have focussed on gross motor skills with Jump Start Johnny and then yoga. Class 2 children played team games outside, Class 3 have continued to practice for sports day and Class 4 played small team games in football, cricket, rounders and rugby.