

# Sharing our Gifts and Growing our Talents Together

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# 'Christian Value' - Peace

"Now may the Lord of peace himself give you peace at all times and in every way. The Lord be with all of you."

2 Thessalonians 3:16

4<sup>th</sup> December 2015

# Head's message

Together we celebrated a wonderful Christingle service this week, and the Year 6 children joined me at St Oswald's Church to watch a Eucharist Service. As always they were beautifully behaved. I would like to take this opportunity to thank all staff for their constant hard work and commitment to the Federation, and a special thank you goes to Mrs Hamnett who celebrated 25 years at Pott Shrigley School on Thursday. The children and staff held a surprise assembly to mark this momentous event.

# PTA Christmas Fayre and Christingle at St Christopher's Church

Please don't forget our two lovely events this weekend. Tomorrow we have the Christmas Fayre at St John's and on Sunday Class 2 are leading the Christingle Family Service at St Christopher's Church. We hope to see you there.

### **Pott Shrigley Christmas Nativity & Carols**

The Pott Shrigley Nativity and Carols takes place next Tuesday 8<sup>th</sup> December and will be held in St. Christopher's Church. The dress rehearsal is at 2pm and the main candlelit performance is at 6.30pm. Parents/grandparents/friends are very welcome to attend the dress rehearsal if unable to attend the evening performance.

### **Federation Christmas Lunch**

The Federation Christmas Lunch is next Wednesday 9<sup>th</sup> December and will be at St. John's School. The children from Pott Shrigley will be transported in the minibus but please can parents collect from St. John's at 3.30pm on this day. If this is a problem, please contact the school office and we will arrange for your child to be taken back to Pott Shrigley on the minibus.

# **Sports Day advance notice**

We have provisionally booked the afternoon of June 22<sup>nd</sup> as the date of the Federation Sports Day. We intend to hold a joint Sports Day this year, co-ordinated by Mr Rutherford. Our reserve date is June 29<sup>th</sup>.

#### Questionnaires

We have sent home a questionnaire this week for parents to give us their views on our Federation. Please can they be returned by Monday 7<sup>th</sup> December so they can be reviewed by the SLT. Thank you.

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#### Office appointment

We are delighted to announce that Mrs Jane Bostock will be joining the Federation working in the office at St John's alongside Mrs Farrar. Mrs Bostock joins us from Adlington Primary School and will be working Monday and Tuesday from January 4<sup>th</sup>. We offer her a very warm welcome.

#### In school next week

Mon - Mrs Walker on a PP course all day. Mrs Jobbins and Mrs Watson are attending an EYFS assessment day. The Federation Choir is singing at Shrigley Hall.

Tues - Mrs Walker at St John's am and Pott Shrigley pm. Pott Shrigley Christmas Nativity at 6.30pm with a dress rehearsal at 2pm.

Wed - Mrs Walker at St John's for the Federation Christmas lunch.

Thur- Mrs Walker Pott Shrigley am and St John's pm. Governor tracking at 2pm at St John's.

Fri - Mrs Walker at a meeting all day.

Please remember messages for Mrs Walker can be left with Mrs Watson or Mrs Sinclair/Mrs Blackwell at any time.

#### Curriculum update

Class 1 Pott Shrigley – This week Class 1 have been identifying different features within non-fiction texts. They have looked into a variety of labels and illustrations. In maths the children have completed 2 quizzes and this has proven that all children are making great progress. We practised ball skills and team work in PE and plan to continue this next week.

**Class 1 St John's** – This week we have been busy planning a hedgehog hibernation party. We have learnt all about hibernation and created a new role play area. The preparation for the party has involved invitation writing, planning, party games and food. We have decorated cinnamon buns and had a wonderful time!

**Class 2 Pott Shrigley –** Class 2 have been writing exciting adventure stories and solving real-life problems in maths.

Class 2 St John's – In literacy we have started to investigate information texts and made our own pet wall. In maths we have been doing fractions and in topic we have been looking forward to our exciting trip to the Manchester Museum.

**Class 3 Pott Shrigley** – This week we have been looking at volume in maths, we learnt the formula LxWxH = volume. We also took part in Bikeability where we learnt to ride our bikes on the road. On Thursday we had a special visitor, Mrs Williams, who is an ophthalmic nurse who taught us about the eye.

Class 3 St John's – In Class 3, we have been writing instructions about how to trap a dragon! In Maths, we have been practising finding a common denominator and subtracting two fractions. In IPC, we have been learning about the human ear. We have been enjoying practising for the Christmas Play.

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