

# Sharing our Gifts and Growing our Talents Together

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# 'Christian Value' - Courage

'Be on your guard; stand firm in the faith; be courageous; be strong.'

1 Corinthians 16:13

11<sup>th</sup> March 2016

### Head's message

Well done to Class 2 at both sites for wonderful Parent Worships today. If your child is in Year 6 please ensure you have accepted their high school place online by March 16th, otherwise it will be allocated to children on the schools waiting lists. I am told the children who went to Chester Zoo on Wednesday had an amazing day, despite the cold weather. Photos of the day are on the website.

## **E-Safety Curriculum**

A Federation E-Safety Curriculum has been uploaded onto the website. Please have a look at the E-Safety section of the web if you need advice, or wish to see all that the Federation is doing to keep the children safe online.

### **Swimming Gala**

A swimming team from the Federation will be participating in the Small Schools' Swimming Gala at Macclesfield Leisure Centre next Thursday evening  $17^{th}$  March from 7-9 p.m. All parents welcome to come and support. Good luck to the team!

#### **Parent's Evenings**

Parents' Evenings will take place from Monday to Thursday  $14^{th} - 17^{th}$  March. Appointment times are being sent home with your child today, so please check book bags.

#### **AZ Science Club and Fairtrade**

St John's hosted this terms AZ Science club yesterday where the invited KS2 children from Bollington explored gasses. Also the two School Councils went on a Fairtrade discovery walk yesterday.

### Year 4 to St Oswald's Church

The children in Class 4 from both schools will be attending a Eucharist service at St Oswald's Church on Thursday 17<sup>th</sup> March. We will transport the children to and from the church and they will be back on their own site for break time.

## **Reception Class Playground**

Please can you remind children not to play in the Reception class playground unless you have the permission of Mrs Jobbins or Mrs Smith.

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#### In school next week

Mon - Mrs Walker at Pott Shrigley am and St John's pm. Parent's evening and committee meeting.

Tues - Mrs Walker at Head's meetings. Parent's evening and committee meeting.

Wed - Mrs Walker at Pott Shrigley and St John's pm. Parent's evening.

Thur - Mrs Walker at St John's am and Pott Shrigley pm. Parent's evening. Swimming gala after school.

Fri - Mrs Walker at eCaph all day.

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

# **Curriculum update**

**Class 1 St John's** — This week we have been looking at the book Dora's Eggs. We created individual story maps and we used them to retell the story as a group. In maths, we focussed on subtraction. We practised counting backwards and taking one away each time. We have set everything up ready for our quails to hatch; we'll keep you updated!

**Class 1 Pott Shrigley** — Class 1 have done extremely well with their first Big Write this week, looking at the campaign behind cleaning for the Queen. In Maths, cubes have been used to measure a variety of objects in the classroom. As part of their Science topic this week, Class 1 have started to look and study different types of trees.

**Class 2 St John's** – In literacy this week we have been building up to our exciting Big Write. We have also been writing some wonderful poetry all about birds. In maths we have been doing column addition with remainders. In IPC we have been labelling the world's rainforests and learning about the four layers of the rainforest. All our exciting photographs from our zoo trip are on our website and we hope to see you all at our class assembly tomorrow. Just a reminder that Class 2 Parents' Evenings are Monday and Wednesday next week.

**Class 2 Pott Shrigley** — Class 2 have been working on telling the time and column subtraction. For Literacy, we have started a unit based on persuasive writing looking at zoos.

On Wednesday, the children from Class 2 at Pott Shrigley and St. John's visited Chester Zoo because their term topic is Rainforest. The Zoo has created enclosures that look like the animals natural habitats to make them feel at home. The children said they enjoyed the jaguars and also the penguins and giraffes - even though they don't live in the rainforest! Liam Markham Class 2

**Class 3 St John's** – In Class 3 this week, in English, we have written a persuasive speech about why the internet is either a good or bad thing for children, and we have also enjoyed our first Big Write about the importance of recycling. In Maths, we have revised ordering fractions and started work on analogue, digital and 24 hour clock times. In IPC we have explored the Maya number system and looked at primary and secondary sources of information.

**Class 3 Pott Shrigley** — This week in Literacy we have been looking at persuasion. We have planned and written a short persuasive story based on a fairy tale. In Maths, we have been working on graphs and plotting co-ordinates. We have also translated shapes on the graph. In Topic, we have looked at the inventions in the golden age of the Islamic Empire.

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