



Sharing our Gifts and Growing our Talents Together

Headteacher: Mrs M. Walker

Head of Teaching and Learning: Mrs E. Watson

'Christian Value' – Protection

'Do not forsake wisdom, and she will protect you; love her, and she will watch over you.'

Proverbs 4:6

25th November 2016

Head's Message

Thanks to the Pott Shrigley PTA for all their hard work in preparing for tonight's Christmas Fair. Santa, I am sure, will be very impressed. Thanks go also to Faye Daley for acquiring 30 trees, which children at St John's have helped to plant. Apologies for the mud! During this time of year both schools are a hive of Christmas activities and songs, which is a delight to behold as we prepare to celebrate the birth of Jesus. 'For a child will be born to us, a son will be given to us; and the government will rest on His shoulders; and His name will be called Wonderful Counsellor, Mighty God, Eternal Father, Prince of Peace.' Isaiah 9:6.

Children in Need Pyjama Day

Thank you to all who supported this fantastic cause, an amazing £184.43 was raised across the Federation.

Christmas Jumper Day

The Federation's final non-uniform day for this year is on the last day of term (Friday 16th December) when the pupils will be invited to join the nation in wearing their super-silly festive knits. Each £1 donation will help save children's lives.

St. John's Christmas Fair: 3rd December

The St John's Christmas Fair takes place on 3rd December from 1 - 4pm. We hope that you can all join us for this fantastic event. As always, thank you for your support.

Christingle

The Federation Christingle Service is at St John's on Friday 2nd December at 2pm. A collection will be taken for the Children's Society. We hope you can all join us. St Christopher's is holding its Christingle Family Service on the 4th December at 10.45am.

Term Dates

Please be advised the term dates for 2016/7 and 2017/18 are published on the website. Please note that this term ends on Friday 16th December. INSET training days are also available to view on the website.

In school next week

Mon - Mrs Walker at Pott Shrigley am and St John's pm.

Tues - Mrs Walker at St John's am and Pott Shrigley pm.

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

Thur - Mrs Walker at St John's.

Frid - Mrs Walker at Pott Shrigley am St John's pm. Christingle Service at St John's at 2pm.

Please remember messages for Mrs Walker can be left at any time.

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Curriculum update

Class 1 St John's – This week in Reception we have been preparing for Barney Bear's birthday. We have written invitations and made cards for him as well as decorating cakes to share at his party. In maths we have been counting irregular arrangements of objects and remembering how to be a careful counter. We have looked at facts about bears and carried out a hibernation investigation.

Class 1 Pott Shrigley – As part of our journeys topic, Class 1 have been looking at 'The Lighthouse Keeper's Lunch' and other stories. The children have written conversations, ordered the story and described the characters. In maths, we have looked at adding and subtracting.

Class 2 St John's – This week in English we have been doing performance poetry and writing our own funny poems. In maths we have been doing column addition with renaming. In IPC we have been looking at grouping man-made and natural materials.

Class 2 Pott Shrigley – We have had a wonderful week this week continuing our Mission to Mars topic. We have looked at the sheer size of our solar system and have been using our maths knowledge to scale the planets down to a more comprehensible size. In literacy, we have been writing our biographies for our space astronauts. We have even received a personal biography (sent via e-mail) from the first British astronaut in space: Helen Sharman. Wow!

Class 3 St John's – In maths, the children have been learning how to tell the time on digital and analogue clocks. In IPC, we have been learning about different types of metals, including alloys. In English, the children have been reading, planning and writing their own non-chronological reports.

Class 4 St John's – This week, Class 4 have been working on using their knowledge of Place Value to add, subtract, reason and problem solve with decimals. We have also been practising converting between different units of measure. In English, we have been writing newspaper reports about UFO sighting! We have been hot seating key witnesses and reporting their findings. Many children have enjoyed Bikeability, and we have started rehearsals for the Christmas Play.

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