

Bollington St. John's Church of England
Primary School



Where talent grows

Head Teacher: Mrs M. Walker

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'Christian Value' – Trust

'In God, whose word I praise – in God I trust and am not afraid.'

Psalm 56:4

3rd March 2017

Head's Message

Welcome back to the second half of the Spring term which, as we are now de-federated, is quite an historic time for us all. This is such an exciting period for us at St John's and as we look to the future we have also remembered our past, and decided to return to our previous strapline of 'Where talent grows.' Please remember our new website address is www.bollingtonstjohns.co.uk, our new twitter address is @bollstjohns and when you email me you use the head@stjohnsboll.cheshire.sch.uk address or the email may go to Pott Shrigley. Please check out this week's Macclesfield Express for a lovely article on the Colour Sculpture made by Class 3. Finally huge thanks to all the children and staff that dressed up for World Book day and led another amazing assembly on Thursday. A copy of the Safeguarding PowerPoint will be online and has been requested by the SCIES team to use in their next bulletin. Very well done children!

Buddy Bench

A huge thank you to Mr O'Reilly, and our friends at Shrigley Hall, for sponsoring a Buddy Bench for our playground. The idea is that if a child feels lonely or has no one to play with then they sit on the bench and buddy monitors will come to them. We are extremely grateful for his kind donation.

Ash Wednesday

As we entered the period of Lent, the Year 5 and 6 children attended an Ash Wednesday service at St Oswald's with friends from Bollington Cross.

Morning Procedure

Please note that we have now returned to our previous morning procedure. The whistle is blown at 8.50am promptly and the children should be in the yard at this time ready to line up. Registration is at 8.55am and lessons start at 9am. Thank you for your co-operation.

Year 6 London Residential Trip

We have arranged for our Year Six pupils to go on a residential trip to London from 26th to 29th May. The full itinerary is yet to be finalised but it promises to be a very exciting weekend with some fabulous activities combined with excursions to see a selection of London's landmarks such as The London Eye and the Tower of London. We are even hoping to catch a West End show whilst we're there!

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Family Service at St Oswald's

Please join us at the Family Service at St Oswald's at 10.30am on Sunday 5th March.

Stay, Play and Pray

Please join us on Monday afternoon at 3pm for our regular Stay, Play and Pray session.

In school next week:

Mon - Stay, Play and Pray at 3pm. Gardening Club starts.

Tues - Mrs Walker at safeguarding training.

Wed - Small Schools Cross County Y3-Y6 at 4.15pm.

Thur - Mrs Watson at a Global Conference.

Frid - Music and swimming lessons.

Sun – Rotary Charity Swimathon

Curriculum update

Class 1 – This week we have opened our new vets role-play area, just in time for our duck eggs to arrive in the incubator. The children have been really excited to learn about how to care for our precious eggs. In maths we have been using numicon to make addition sums and we have begun to explore number bonds to 10 and even beyond!

Class 2 – This week in English we have been thinking about stories about feelings. We have been acting out different scenarios which show a range of emotions. In Maths in Year One we have been revising our number bonds to 10 and using parts of our bodies to measure with. In year two we have been looking at measuring in meters. In IPC we have started our new topic which is called I'm Alive. This topic focusses on what makes something living or non-living, life cycles and they way different creatures adapt to their surroundings in order to survive.

Class 3 – In maths, Year Three have been multiplying by 10 and 100 and Year Four have been working with decimals. For English, we have been exploring Speech through Dahl's 'Fantastic Mr. Fox'. We have started our new IPC topic of sound and light this week called 'turn it up!'

Class 4 – Class 4 have been working on fractions in maths. We have focused on multiplying fractions by whole numbers and multiplying pairs of simple fractions. In English, we have been exploring The Watertower by Gary Crew. We have looked at how the author builds tension and uses dialogue to give us information about the characters.

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