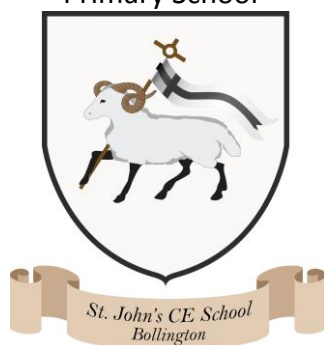


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'Christian Value' – Creation

'Then God blessed the seventh day and made it holy, because on it he rested from all the work of creating that he had done.'

Genesis 2:3

8th December 2017

Head's Message

What a magical Nativity yesterday, performed beautifully by the children in Class 1 and 2. Next week, on Tuesday 12th December, the juniors will be showcasing their Christmas Production. We do hope to see you all there at 2pm and 6pm. Thank you to all that donated at last week's Christingle Service. The amount raised for the Children's Society was £80.19. Donations at our Christmas productions will go to our sponsored child Frank. As this will be the last newsletter this term, may I take this opportunity to wish you all a very blessed and peaceful Christmas. When we return to school in January our next Christian Value is Thankfulness.

Christmas Lunch

Yes it is that time of year again – Christmas Lunch day. We are delighted that councillors, governors and friends to our school are able to join us next Wednesday for our annual Christmas feast.

Diary Dates

On Monday the 18th December our new PSCO, Hannah, is coming into school to meet everyone in a special assembly. Tuesday 19th December is Class 3s Chocolate Workshop and also the last Stay, Play and Pray of the year. Please beware that school closes for the Christmas holidays on Wednesday 20th December as Thursday 21st December is an INSET day.

PTA Christmas Fair

Tomorrow is the official start of the Christmas season for many of us at St John's, as it is the PTA Christmas Fair. This is always one of the loveliest events in the school calendar, thanks to all the hard work of the PTA. There will be plenty of food and drink, as well as games, stalls, our school choir and a special visit from Santa. Please come and join us from 1-4pm, for what's sure to be a magical event.

Easy Fundraising

Each time parents, staff and friends shop online via easyfundraising or The Giving Machine, you can collect a **FREE donation for your PTA**. Please sign up: easyfundraising:

<https://www.easyfundraising.org.uk/causes/bollingtonstjohnsschoolpta/>

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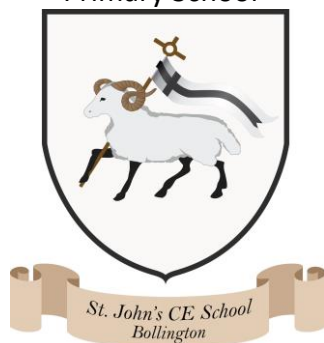
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In school next week:

Tomorrow – PTA Christmas Fair at 1-4pm.

Monday – Mrs Walker on Emotionally Healthy Schools conference.

Tuesday – KS2 Christmas Play at 2pm and 6pm.

Wednesday – Christmas lunch.

Sunday – Family Communion at St Oswald's Church at 10.30am.

Curriculum update:

Class 1 – This week we performed a marvellous nativity show. Well done to all the children!

In maths we focussed on addition and finding the total by counting all of the objects in two groups.

In literacy we started writing our letters to Father Christmas and we made a nativity scene in RE.

Class 2 – This week in literacy we have been busy writing our letters to Santa which we then posted at the post office. We learnt all about the postal system and the journey a letter goes on before it reaches us. In maths we have been doing multiplication and practising our 2, 5 and 10 Times tables. In topic work we have been looking at Advent and started to make our own Nativity scenes.

Class 3 – This week, in maths, we have started to look at division. In our topic of 'Chocolate' we have started to look at the Aztec civilisation. We have designed and created our own chocolate bar wrapper. In literacy, we have created our own chapter for Charlie and the Chocolate Factory.

Class 4 – This week, in maths, we have been focusing on addition, subtraction, multiplication and division of fractions. In English, we have been writing newspaper reports based on 'The Man Who Walked Between The Towers' by Mordicai Gerstein. In IPC, we have been learning about the heart. Rehearsals for the Christmas Play have been going well, and we are looking forward to the performance next week.

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