

Bollington St. John's Church of England
Primary School



Where talent grows

Head Teacher: Mrs M. Walker

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'Christian Value' – Forgiveness

'Get rid of all bitterness, passion and anger. No more shouting or insults, no more hateful feelings of any sort. Instead, be kind and tender-hearted to one another, and forgive one another, as God has forgiven you through Christ.'

Ephesians 4:31-32

23rd March 2018

Head's Message

This has been a wonderful week full of activity in school. We have had Down Syndrome Awareness Day (which raised an amazing £86.45!), Year 4 squash, Tytherington music transition, Class 3 visiting St Oswald's and their Class Worship today. We also held a very informative E-Safety workshop last night, which was sadly only attended by a handful of parents. I am delighted to inform you that Mr Timmis will be remaining at St John's, and continuing to teach Class 3 in September. Mrs Jobbins, Mrs Stout and Mrs Watson are also set to remain in their current classes. Finally, as this is the last newsletter of this half term, let me wish you all a very blessed Easter. School closes at 3.30pm on Thursday and re-opens on the 16th April. Then, our next Christian Value will be 'Friendship.'

John 3:16: 'For God so loved the world that he gave his one and only Son, that whoever believes in him shall not perish but have eternal life.'

Easter Service

We are holding an Easter service at 2pm next Thursday, where a collection will be taken. The children have been working hard to learn the Easter songs, and so I hope you can all join us.

Good Friday Craft Trail

On Friday 30th March St Oswald's Church is holding a Good Friday Craft Trail. It starts at 10.30am and is a free event for the whole family. You can follow the adventure trail around the church and discover the seriously surprising story of Easter. There will be activities, crafts, refreshments and a performance from the Puppet Group. It will finish with a short act of worship at approximately 11.45am.

Stay, Play and Pray

Parents are warmly invited to Stay, Play and Pray on Tuesday afternoon at 3pm.

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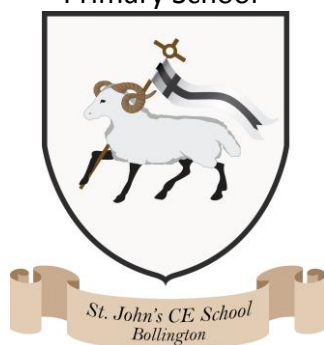
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Snack Money

As you will be aware the school has grown in size from 67 children on roll in July 2015 to 104 currently. As such, we need to streamline our operations. Therefore, after Easter, we kindly request that snack money is paid in advance, which will greatly reduce the amount of admin time spent collecting payments. Thank you.

School Uniform

It has come to our attention that a growing number of pupils are not coming into school in their school uniform, especially footwear. Can we please remind you that black school shoes should be worn by all children at all times, unless you have made us aware of a medical reason.

In school next week:

Sunday – 3pm Puppet Ministry at St Oswald's.

Tuesday – Stay, Play and Pray at 3pm.

Thursday – Easter Worship at 2pm.

Friday – 10.30am Good Friday Craft Trail at St Oswald's. School is closed and reopens on Monday 16th April.

Sunday 1st April – 10.30am Family Communion at St Oswald's.

Curriculum update:

Class 1 – T this week we have enjoyed making front covers for our story books. In maths we have completed our learning on capacity; we measured out the ingredients to make a potion using a syringe. We carefully looked at the millilitre measurements on the side of the syringe. In RE we spent the day learning about the Easter story and then we made hot cross buns to remind us of all the events that happened on Good Friday. We each ate a hot cross bun while they were warm and they were delicious!

Class 2 – This week in Literacy in Year 2 we have begun our SATS preparation and have focused on Nouns, Verbs and Adverbs. In Maths we have focused on partitioning, place value and ordering numbers. We have also been practising our mental arithmetic. In Literacy in Year one we have begun our new class story 'Wild' by Emily Hughes. We have written a character description and done some drama about how the main character feels throughout the story. In maths we have been focusing on the days of the week. In IPC we have been classifying different insects. We have been writing about the life cycles of a butterfly and metamorphosis.

Class 3 – This week, in maths, we have used our knowledge of the times tables to multiply and divide. . In literacy we have interviewed four Roman emperors and started to create a newspaper interview. In IPC, we have created our own class assembly. We used computing to create a PowerPoint.

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Class 4 – In class 4, we have been looking at number sequences and using algebra to show the relationships between numbers in maths. We have also been calculating perimeters and areas of rectangles, compound shapes, parallelograms and triangles. In English, we have started work on a new book, 'The Princess' Blankets' by Carol Ann Duffy. We have looked at the structure of the story and are planning our own versions. In RE, we have been creating art work based on the lyrics to the song 'Amazing Grace'.

Sports News – Reception focussed on moving beanbags around the hall using their feet; they had to keep control and move carefully without bumping into each other. Class 2 worked on their throwing skills and played dodge ball. Year three have enjoyed learning hockey skills, Year 4 had two coaches teach the basics of squash. Class 4 have been playing dodge ball and working on their rugby skills.

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