## Bollington St. John's Church of England



## Where talent grows

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# 'Christian Value' - Peace

"Peace I leave with you; my peace I give to you. I do not give it as the world does. Let not your hearts be troubled, neither let them be afraid."

John 14:27

21st June 2024

#### Head's Message

Following in the footsteps of the girls, who won their last football match, last night the boys defeated Rainow 4-2 in a tremendous match. We are now on a double winning streak and so proud of all the boys who took part. We have completed our third week of Academies, and have just two weeks left before our celebration event, to which you are all invited. This week, we welcomed our new parents for an information evening, and then our new starters for a transition event. We were thrilled to meet them all and heartily welcome them to our St John's family. Sadly, due to the condition of our field, we were forced to postpone Sports Day on Wednesday, but have every faith that the event will go ahead in July. Let's hope that for these last four weeks of term this glorious weather continues. Finally, our Year 5 team attended a Maths Challenge at King's School today and were magnificent. More importantly they had a fantastic time.

### **Mrs Smith Class 3 Teacher**

We have had a few people ask if Mrs Smith is a qualified teacher, or if she is just covering Class 3 in September until we can recruit a new member of staff. We just want to reassure you that Mrs Smith is a qualified and experienced class teacher, who completed a National Award for SENCOs when she returned to St John's in 2020. In order to become a SENCO, you must be a qualified teacher and you must complete this mandatory qualification. She is very excited to start in Class 3 this September, as she knows and loves the children already!

## **Diary Dates**

Tuesday 25<sup>th</sup> June – New Starter Afternoon for children starting Reception in September at 1:30-3pm Tuesday 25<sup>th</sup> June – Tri Golf event at Wilmslow High School at 9-11:30am

Wednesday 26<sup>th</sup> June – Tytherington School Year 6 Information Evening at 6pm

Thursday 27th June – Junior Girls Football Team vs Rainow at Cappelli Ground at 3:45pm-4:45pm

Wednesday 3<sup>rd</sup> July – Class 4 School Trip to Safety Central in Warrington

Wednesday 3<sup>rd</sup> July – Class 2 Visit to Bollington Library at 1:30-3:30pm

Friday 5<sup>th</sup> July – Infant Talent Show at 10-11:30am. Families invited

Friday 5<sup>th</sup> July – Junior Talent Show at 1:45-3:30pm. Families invited

Friday 5<sup>th</sup> July – PTA School Disco at 6-7:30pm. All children invited

Monday 8th July – Year 6 Taster Day at Tytherington School at 9:15am

Monday 8<sup>th</sup> July – Mental Health Information Evening for parents at 4-5pm

Monday 8<sup>th</sup> July – Junior Girls Football Match v Nether Alderley at St John's, 3:45-4:45pm

Wednesday 10<sup>th</sup> July – Year 6 Family Lunch at 12-12:30pm

Wednesday 10<sup>th</sup> July – Sports Day at 2-3:30pm. Families invited

Thursday 11<sup>th</sup> July – Academy Celebration Assembly at 9:30-10:30am. Families invited

Thursday 11<sup>th</sup> July – Junior Girls Netball Match vs Nether Alderley at Nether Alderley at 4-5pm

Monday 15<sup>th</sup> July – Move up Afternoon for all classes

Wednesday 17<sup>th</sup> July – Bible Presentation to Year 6 at 9:15am. Year 6 families invited. Followed by P4C session with the parents of Class 4 from 9.45-10:30am

Friday 19th July - Leavers Assembly at 9:30-11am. Class 4 families invited

Friday 19th July – Last day of term

#### **News from Reception**

This week in Reception, we have started our new topic of Minibeasts. We have shared what minibeasts we already know about and where we think they live. In maths, we have looked at the first, then and now model to help us work out the addition sum from a word problem.

#### **News from Class 2**

This week, our highlight was our geography lesson. The whole of Class 2 showed such a strong interest in our learning about the coast and we enjoyed discussing, identifying and labelling different features. In maths, Year 1 have been learning about minutes, hours and seconds, whilst Year 2 have been learning to tell the time. We are enjoying this maths topic very much! In English, we have focussed on retelling the class text by using our own words, phrases and interpretations. On Monday, we continued reading the story of Joseph from the Bible. We enjoyed making our own colourful coats and acting out different parts of the story in our groups, which helped us develop our teamwork and listening skills, as well as deepening our understanding of that magnificent story.

#### **News from Class 3**

This week, in maths, the children have started a new topic of shape. They have looked at angles as a measurement of a turn. We have started to identify acute, right and obtuse angles. In English, the children have also started a new topic of 'FArTHER' a book all about dreams. We have started to make predictions about the text. In history, the children have researched the Battle of Hastings. In science, we have started to plan a pattern seeking investigation. In our art this week, we have looked at proportion and tone. We used charcoal to darken a sheet of paper and then used a rubber to add light and charcoal to add shade.

#### **News from Class 4**

This week, in maths, Year 5 have continued their work on units of measure, focusing on converting between mm, cm and m. Year 6 revised addition of fractions using a common denominator. We have also, as a class, started a maths project about spirals. In English, we have started a new book, 'Holes' by Louis Sachar, exploring each of the new characters as they are introduced. We have also continued our lessons on the Micro:Bits, and we have started our rehearsals for the Leavers' Production.

## **Celebration Awards**

## **Good Work**

Class 1 – Rory for fantastic story writing.

Class 2 – Heidi for showing excellent understanding and enthusiasm in geography.

Class 3 – Olivia H for making an excellent piece of artwork.

Class 4 – Eleanor for wonderful acting in the play rehearsals, keeping in character throughout.

#### **Good Citizen**

- Class 1 Fabian for his brilliant effort with all his learning.
- Class 2 Evelyn for always being kind and helpful to all.
- Class 3 Lilian for always trying her best and being a great friend to others.
- Class 4 Dylan for becoming more independent and having a great attitude to his learning.

**Ethos Award (Peace)** – Class 1: Ivy for being a calm and gentle role-model to others. **House Points** – Oak Bank are currently in the lead.

## **Sports News**

Class 1 – This week, we practised for Sports Day outside. We focused on sprinting, obstacle courses and the egg and spoon race.

Class 2 – We did a target practice and circuit competition including kicking, rolling, throwing, using underarm and overarm throws.

Class 3 – We have played tennis, learning how to rally using shots to keep the ball in the air.

Class 4 – This week, the class played cricket, with small sided games learning the rules and tennis, starting rallies and learning how to keep the ball up with different shots, slowly moving into small tennis matches.

## **Star Sports Performers**

Class 1 - Arthur

Class 2 – Evelyn and Emme

Class 3 - Daniel and Hugo P

Class 4 - Thomas and Emily