## Bollington St. John's Church of England Primary School



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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

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## Head's Message

Our week has been dominated by more sporting triumph! Our TriGolf team did splendidly at their multi-school festival on Tuesday. Then our girls were magnificent in their football match against Rainow on Thursday, securing a 6-1 victory. We had our second new starter event and our fourth Academy week, both of which went exceedingly well. As we approach the final three weeks of term the rehearsals for the Leavers' Play are in full swing, and the diary seems jam packed every single day. Next week we have two school trips, our last Academy week, our annual Talent Shows and a PTA school disco to look forward too. Please also remember that we will soon be holding our Mental Health information evening and a P4C session for Class 4 parents to attend. We do hope to see you there. Finally, there are two attachments with this newsletter, a flyer regarding Bollington Library and an information leaflet from the local authority about the changes to the penalty charge system for unauthorised absences. If you want any more information on these changes please do not hesitate to get in touch. I am more than happy to hold an information session on this if it would be beneficial.

## **Diary Dates**

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 8<sup>th</sup> 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 at 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 19<sup>th</sup> July – Last day of term

#### **News from Reception**

This week in Reception, we have learnt about the micro habitats that mini beasts live in whilst on a big hunt. We compared the features of different mini beasts by sorting them into categories. In maths, we have focused on addition sums through word problems. We have created artwork using paint, chalk and pastels to represent micro habitats; we then added in the mini beasts that we spotted on our bug hunt.

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

This week, our highlight was our science lesson. Class 2 used the ipads to conduct their own independent research about different types of birds in the UK. In maths, Year 1 have been learning to tell the time for o'clock and half past, whilst Year 2 have been learning about minutes in an hour and hours in a day. In English, we have practised writing the end to our stories and used our knowledge of adjectives to describe the characters. In geography, we have been collecting data about what people do at the coast, and we are looking forward to analysing this data. We have also enjoyed doing some sketching, drawing and painting in art and design.

#### News from Class 3

This week, in maths, we have continued our topic of shape. The children have looked at different properties of shapes and how to identify 2D shapes. In English, the children have continued to work on our class book of 'FArTHER'- a book all about dreams. The children have written postcards in role and developed questions about different characters. In geography, we have studied how the food choices we make can impact the environment. In our art this week, we 'drew with scissors', creating a collage using our knowledge of perspective.

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

This week, in maths, Class 4 have been exploring spirals, looking at the Archimedean spiral, the Baravelle spiral and the Golden spiral, linked to the Fibonacci sequence. We have had great fun creating some wonderful artwork linked to this work. In English, we have been continuing our work on 'Holes' by Louis Sachar, exploring the characters and the links between them. In RE, we have explored the concept of faith, and considered how it can have an impact on people's lives. We looked at the athlete, Jesse Owens, and explored his life and how his faith helped him persevere and achieve such amazing things.

#### **Celebration Awards**

## Good Work

Class 1 – Viktoria for her beautiful artwork.

- Class 2 Arlo for fantastic independent research.
- Class 3 Hugo WS for working hard in our singing lessons.
- Class 4 Kit for fantastic work on the Fibonacci sequence in our maths unit on spirals.

#### **Good Citizen**

Class 1 – Arthur for bringing so much fun and joy to our classroom.

Class 2 – Arthur for playing nicely and sensitively with his friends.

Class 3 – Daniel for developing his confidence.

Class 4 – Matilda for great participation in lessons, and for sharing her answers and opinions articulately.

**Ethos Award (Peace)** – Class 2: Henry for being a fantastic peacekeeper. **House Points** – Oak Bank are currently in the lead.

#### **Sports News**

Class 1 - This week, we continued our Sports Day practice with bean bag throwing against a target. Class 2 - This week, we held target practice competitions for curling and bullseye. We have also been preparing for Sports Day.

Class 3 – We have played football cricket to understand rules, and we had tennis rallies and matches. Class 4 – This week, we played football cricket, focussing on fielding zones and kicking direction. We also held singles tennis matches and learnt the rules

## **Star Sports Performers**

Class 1 – Jonas

Class 2 – Jensen and Rosie

Class 3 – Johnny and Sophia

Class 4 – Niamh and Aarushi

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