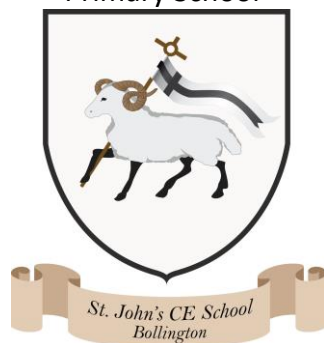


Bollington St. John's Church of England
Primary School



Where talent grows

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'Christian Value' – Community

'But if we walk in the light, as he is in the light, we have fellowship with one another, and the blood of Jesus,

His Son, purifies us from all sin.'

1 John 1:7

28th September 2018

Head's Message

It has been a joy this week wandering into the classrooms and seeing how settled all the children now are. There is already some fantastic learning occurring in all the classrooms, with the children happy and engaged. Yesterday I visited St Oswald's church to help Rev Veronica celebrate the fifth birthday of RiCH. RiCH is an after school club run on a Thursday night for all children in Year 7-9. Next week Pentagon will be on site from Tuesday building an exciting addition to the children's outside play area. Finally below are the school's priorities for the year 2018/2019.

Outcomes for Children and Learners	Quality of Teaching, Learning and Assessment	Personal Development, Behaviour and Welfare	Effectiveness of Leadership and Management
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> To review and audit the new assessment/tracking system, which tracks the non-core subjects in as much detail as the core subjects. Ensure children are on track to make good progress. Monitor SEN equality, with a particular focus on pastoral issues. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> To raise the profile and attainment of reading, particularly in KS1. To focus on delivering sustained and challenging writing opportunities through the non-core subjects. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> To fully implement the use of CPOMS to ensure effective reporting of safeguarding, behaviour and welfare issues. Review the toilet area outside Key Stage 1 to ensure the provision is adequate. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Embed GDPR protocols and procedures across the school. Review the new SIAMs framework ensuring it is embedded across the school.

Pilgrim Day at Chester Cathedral

All letters should have gone home about our trip to Chester Cathedral on October 19th. Children have made their workshop choices and we are looking forward to the visit. Not only will the children experience the activities on offer, but spending time in places of worship is part of their curriculum. Later this year the class will be visiting a mosque.

Reception

The Reception class are getting very excited for their first school trip next week. It was lovely that so many of you could attend the phonics workshop run by Mrs Jobbins. The children experienced their first fire drill this week and were simply marvellous.

Love Music Trust

Parents are invited to a Love Music Trust showcase on Monday at 1.20pm. This is not a concert or performance, just a chance for parents to watch a music lesson as the children experience it.

In school:

Monday – Love Music Trust parents showcase at 1.20pm.

Tuesday – Class 1 trip to Quarry Bank Mill.

Wednesday – Tytherington Open day for Y5 and Y6.

Thursday – Mrs Walker at the Diocese.

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

Curriculum update:

Class 1 – This week in reception we have been focusing on ordering numbers and the value of each number. We have created number lines, adding in towers and numicon to help our understanding. In literacy we have looked at the phase 2 tricky words and extended our learning by making simple sentences with the words. We have also written facts about ourselves as we look carefully at what makes us special and the different communities that we are a part of.

Class 2 – This week in literacy we have been writing persuasive letters and creating story maps for the class story, The Carrot Club. In maths we have been partitioning two digit numbers and looking at what equals means. Year one have been working on one more/one less. In IPC we have created our own portraits made of fruit and written instructions to make a pizza! We were lucky enough to cook pizzas for the whole school! We had lots of fun, photographs will be on the website shortly.

Class 3 – This week, in maths, children have looked at the properties of 2d shapes. Children have used their bodies and string to create shapes. Children have use mathematical language to describe shapes. In literacy, children have begun to think about writing elements that create a good story. In IPC, children created their own miniature sarcophaguses with pipe cleaner mummies. During the second half of the week children designed, built and evaluated a shaduf.

Class 4 – This week, we have been looking at subtraction by counting up and by using a formal column method in maths. In English, we have started work on a new book, called 'Cloud Tea Monkeys' by Elspeth Graham and Mal Peet. We have been answering comprehension questions about the text and had our own tea tasting! In IPC, we have written information texts about electricity, conductors and insulators and created posters about magnets.

Sports News – This week the Reception child focussed on movement and jumping, learning to roll correctly and practiced their ball skills. Class 2 children played football and worked on their dribbling skills and also did some more gymnastic gymnastics and apparatus work. Class 3 were passing the football between themselves, dribbling and had a football match. Class 4 practiced their football dribbling skills and played a match and also used the apparatus in gymnastics class.

