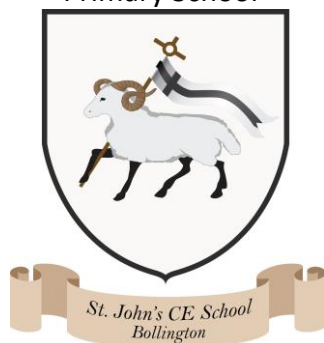


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'Christian Value' – Community

'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

5th October 2018

Head's Message

What a wonderful week we have had this week. Clare Jackson held a super music lesson for the parents of Class 4 on Monday. On Tuesday a very excited Reception class had an amazing day at Quarry Bank Mill visiting a very special tiger. On the same day Class 2 were having a habitats and food web workshop with Ranger Martin from Bollin Valley. Reception had their workshop with the rangers on Thursday. While all this was going on Pentagon Play was busy installing a fantastic piece of play equipment for the children, along with an outdoors chalk board. I hope this new trim trail will provide hours of fun for the children. Please check the website for photos of all these events and for constant updates to the diary.

Open Day and 50th Birthday Assembly

We have a very busy day on Thursday 25th October, when we will be holding an Open Day in the morning for children starting in Reception in 2019. Then in the afternoon we will be holding a special assembly to celebrate St John's turning 50! A wonderful evening event has also been organised by the PTA for past and present friends of the school, which is being held at 6pm on November 9th.

Parents' Evening

You have received information on how to book your child's parent's evening appointment via the school website. Should you have any difficulties please do not hesitate to call into the office or see your child's teacher. Please can I remind you that you will chose a ten minute time slot and it would be appreciated if you didn't overrun this appointment time. Should you need to talk to the teacher for longer you are most welcome to book an appointment on another occasion.

Harvest and St Oswald's Birthday

We are celebrating Harvest at St Oswald's on Friday 12th October at 2pm and would be delighted if you could join us. The collection this year will be donated to Water Aid. Bishop Libby will be at St Oswald's on Sunday 21st October to help the church celebrate its 110th birthday.

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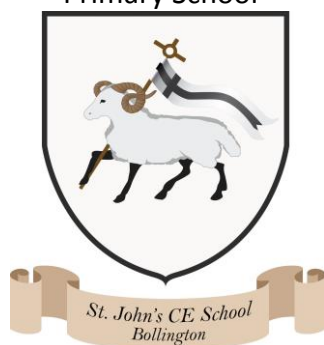
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PTA Donations and Discos

Staff wish to thank the PTA for their class donations, all of which will be put to very good use. The PTA is also organising an infant and junior discos to take place on October 19th and 12th respectively. We hope all the children can attend, as the discos are always extremely fun events.

Bikeability and Stay, Play and Pray for Reception Parents

Next Tuesday children in Class 4 will be taking part in Bikeability on Tuesday and Wednesday. On Tuesday Reception parents are invited into school at 3pm to take part in Stay, Play and Pray in the classroom.

In school next week

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

Tuesday – Bikeability and Stay, Play and Pray.

Wednesday – Bikeability.

Thursday – Mrs Watson at a Global Conference.

Friday – Harvest service at St Oswald's at 2pm.

Sunday – Harvest service at St Oswald's Church at 10.30am.

Curriculum update:

Class 1 – This week we enjoyed our first school trip; exploring Quarry Bank Mill in search of the Tiger Who Came To Tea. Our trip has inspired lots of learning back in the classroom where we have learnt about writing lists and ordering objects according to size. We also welcomed the rangers in to class on Thursday to teach us all about meadows and their inhabitants. We made wildflower seed bombs with clay, soil and seeds. It was a wonderful morning.

Class 2 – This week in literacy we have written riddles about different fruits and vegetables. We have also written about food chains. In maths we have been doing multiplication and one more and one less. In IPC we have had a visit from Ranger Martin who taught us all about different habitats and how a food chain works. We learnt about the importance of the start of a food chain and what would happen to the animals and plants that depend on it if it was taken away.

Class 3 – This week, in maths, children have looked at the properties of 3d shapes. Children have use mathematical language to describe shapes. In literacy, children have created a story and focused on ways to edit and improve their writing. In IPC, children have tested their shadufs.

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Class 4 – This week, class 4 have been analysing setting descriptions and dialogue from the 'Cloud Tea Monkeys', and we have started writing our own stories, using the book as an inspiration. In maths, we have been looking at 2d shape, focusing on the properties of the shapes and how to calculate missing angles. In IPC, we have been discussing the materials which artists use and creating our own art using different materials.

Sports News – Class 1 focussed on their movement skills through catching and throwing. Class 2 played invasion games, practised their football dribbling skills and did some fantastic gymnastics. Class 3 played tag rugby and also took part in gymnastics. Class 4 also played tag rugby (focussing on movement and running whilst passing the ball) and match-play hockey.

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