

Bollington St. John's Church of England  
Primary School



*Where talent grows*

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## 'Christian Value' – Grace

*"Let us then approach God's throne of grace with confidence, so that we may receive mercy and find grace to help us in our time of need."*  
*Hebrews 4:16*

22<sup>nd</sup> March 2019

### Head's Message

Our new library is almost complete – just a few finishing touches to go. It looks amazing and this is down to the hard work of all members of staff as well as parent helpers. It should provide a super reading area for the children for years to come. Rev Veronica led a super St Patrick's worship on Monday. On Tuesday, Class 1 and 2 had a wonderful trip to Chester Zoo. Thank you to all who attended the Year 2 and Year 6 information evenings this week. We hope you found them useful. Thursday marked World Down Syndrome Day and the children looked fantastic in their odd socks. Finally I started planning this year's Academies this week. If anyone has time to spare and would like to be part of this programme, please do not hesitate to get in touch.

### Swimathon

Well done Team St John's for swimming a total of 173 lengths during last Sunday's Swimathon. Thank you to Mrs Roberts and Mrs Watson for attending the event.

### Red Nose Day and World Down Syndrome Day

Many thanks to all who have contributed to these two charity collections. We are pleased to report that we raised £70 for Comic Relief (Red Nose Day) and £101.60 for Cheshire Down Syndrome Support Group.

### Experience Week: Jesus' Family Tree

Monday – Thursday next week the children will be attending St Oswald's Experience Week. Details of when your child/children will be at church have been sent out separately. Any offers of help to walk with the children would be much appreciated.

### Year 5 Science Transition

Sadly Tytherington High School has had to postpone the Year 5 science day on Wednesday. They have rearranged it for Wednesday 8<sup>th</sup> May. More details will follow nearer the time.

### First Aid/Defibrillator Training

The 'Hand on Heart Charity' will be delivering to the class and some staff members, Defibrillator training. The charity will be bringing with them a training unit of a LifePAK CR plus one the same as the unit we have here at school. This invaluable training, which is fully-funded, will take place on Thursday 28<sup>th</sup> March.

### In school next week:

Monday – Start of St Oswald's Experience Week. LAST WEEK OF AFTER SCHOOL CLUBS.

Tuesday – Mrs Walker and Mrs Watson at Global meeting at 6pm.

Wednesday – Open the Book.

Thursday – First Aid/Defibrillator training.

Friday – Mrs Walker Bosley Primary in the morning.

Curriculum update:

**Class 1** – This week in Reception we linked our story of The Zoo Vet in with our trip to Chester Zoo and our new vets role play area. We focused on ordering the days of the week in maths and we wrote about our roles and responsibilities if we were a zoo keeper for the day in literacy. The children were beautifully behaved at Chester Zoo and they asked some fantastic questions while we were there; these will help us to continue our learning about endangered animals.

**Class 2** – This week in literacy we have been writing a newspaper report on the great Fire of London. We also wrote a recount of our wonderful trip to Chester Zoo. In maths we have been concentrating on subtraction strategies written and mental. In IPC we have been comparing job roles from the 17<sup>th</sup> Century to the jobs we do today.

**Class 3** – This week, in maths, children have looked at division and fractions. In literacy, we have started a new book by Neil Gaiman 'the day I swapped my dad for two goldfish'. Children have completed their script for the Easter Assembly and practices have now begun.

**Class 4** – This week, we have been calculating perimeters and areas of different 2d shapes in maths. In English, we have been planning and writing stories based on 'Boy In The Tower' by Polly Ho-Yen. In IPC, we have researched tourist destinations in our local area and created information books and art work linked to them.

**Sports News** – Class 1 and Class 2 enjoyed hockey in their first lesson and throwing/catching and then dodge ball in their second lesson. Class 3 tried out their multi-sports skills with some races to finish off a good week. Class 4 also enjoyed multi-sports and finished with athletics.

**Star class this week** – Class 2.

**Class Stars** – Class 1: Natalia, Class 2: Luke, Class 3: Leo, Class 4: Maizie.

**Well done to all stars of the week.**

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