

Bollington St. John's Church of England
Primary School



Where talent grows

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'Christian Value' – Trust

*"Whoever gives heed to instruction prospers, and blessed is the one who trusts in the Lord."
Proverbs 16:20*

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Head's Message

Some children have taken part in sports events this week. First a group of children represented the school at the Change 4 Life Festival at Tytherington. Then on Wednesday, a group of children took part in a smalls school hockey tournament. Well done to all the children who were part of Team St John's on either of these occasions. On Thursday our school choir attended the MEN arena for this year's Young Voices concert. This is always such a wonderful event, and Mrs Stout and Mrs Roberts are already looking forward to next year.

Reading Workshop

Mrs Stout will be running a workshop for parents detailing all the information they need regarding reading in school and at home. This workshop will contain information on National Curriculum expectations for each year group. It will also include information on Phonics, Guided reading, how to encourage reading at home and questioning ideas, KS1/KS2 SATS and resources for parents to take away to further support their child. It would be great to see as many parents as possible attend as this is open to KS1 and KS2 parents. The workshop will run from 4pm until 4.45 approx.

Parents' Evenings

Parents' Evenings take place, for all classes, on Monday 10th February and Tuesday 11th February. Please ensure you have made a booking to see you child's/children's teacher.

The Reluctant Dragon

We are very excited to welcome back the Image Musical Theatre company on Tuesday to perform their interactive show. This year's performance is 'The Reluctant Dragon', based on the classic story by Kenneth Grahame. Please ensure you have completed the survey and made the £5 per child before the end of Monday.

PTA Disco

The PTA are busily planning two Valentine discos on Friday 7th February. The first will be for KS1 (Reception, Year 1 and Year 2) children from 5-6pm. The second will be for KS2 (Years 3-6) children from 6.15-7.15pm.

In school next week:

Sunday – St Oswald’s Family Worship (Candlemas) – celebrating grandparents at 10.30am.

Monday – Reading workshop 3.30pm.

Tuesday – The Reluctant Dragon.

Thursday – Mrs Walker at the Diocese.

Friday – Mrs Walker SEND conference. PTA Valentine discos.

Curriculum update:

Class 1 – This week in Reception we have focused on Arctic animals. We researched facts about each animal and we compared the sizes of them by measuring cutouts and outlines. We have looked at the number 8 in detail, making spiders with 8 legs and number bonds with numicon. We used the book ‘How to paint a penguin’ to inspire a step by step painting project. The children have all created some amazing penguin paintings that we’ll link to our learning next week.

Class 2 – This week in literacy we have finished writing the journey of the Robin from our story ‘Coming home’ We have also completed a story map of the book and labelled it. In maths we have been solving missing number equations using addition and subtractions. In IPC we have researched L.S Lowry and had a go at recreating some of his famous works. We have now moved on to looking at Pablo Picasso and Cubism. We have created our own abstract portraits using unusual shapes and colours. We have started working on our class assembly which sees Dr Who and his assistants travel back in time to meet Pharaohs, Kings, Queens and famous leaders throughout history. Please can the children be learning their lines at home.

Class 3 – This week, in maths, children have looked to accurately measure and record data. In literacy, children have completed their story based on ‘Escape from Pompeii’. For our work in ‘Active Planet’ this week, children have looked at states of matter. Children designed and carried out an investigation based on freezing different liquids.

Class 4 – This week, in maths, we have been reflecting and translating shapes on a coordinate grid, and we have been drawing, and reading from, line graphs and pie charts. In English, we have read ‘The Lost Thing’ by Shaun Tan and have planned our own stories based on its structure, which we will be writing over the next two weeks. In IPC, we have been learning about the life of Alexander of Great.

Sports News – Classes 1 and 2 continued gymnastics and this week have looked at safely performing a number of rolls with control. Classes 3 and 4 have also looked at rolls again working with control at all times and following key safety rules. They have also working on putting accuracy and shot power, working in groups with a focus on honesty and fair play.

Mr Read’s PE star performers:

Class 1: Olivia and Poppy

Class 2: Joshua and Natalia

Class 3: Jessica and Raphael

Class 4: Oliver and Georgia

Well done to all star performers.

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