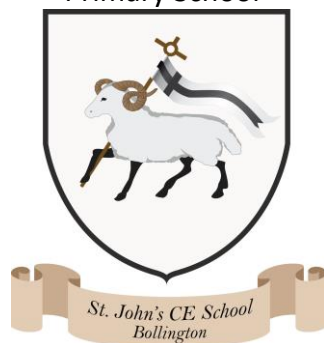


Bollington St. John's Church of England
Primary School



Where talent grows

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'Christian Value' – Endurance

"Being strengthened with all power according to his glorious might so that you may have great endurance and patience"

Colossians 1:11

25th March 2022

Head's Message

The wonderful weather has made this week even more joyful. The week started with our odd socks to celebrate World Down Syndrome Day. To date an amazing £91 has been raised for this worthy cause. Today we were fortunate enough to have a special assembly by the Cheshire Down Syndrome Support Group. I am also delighted to inform you that St John's raised £227 for Comic Relief this year – an astounding amount. Thank you to all the parents who attended the Online Safety presentation delivered by our PCSOs on Wednesday night. The PowerPoint is available on the website for all families to review (in the tab Our School under E-Safety). As a global school we were proud to celebrate World Water Day and World Maths Day this week. Children from Class 4 represented the school magnificently in a Tri-Golf tournament today. Well done to them all. On Monday Mrs Smith will be leading an Autism Awareness assembly, and on Tuesday we have our Easter assemblies for Key Stage 1 and Key Stage 2. Then Wednesday sees Class 4 embark on their great PGL adventure. We cannot wait! All that remains is for me to wish you all a very peaceful Easter. The school breaks up on Friday 1st April and re-opens on Tuesday 19th April.

"But when they looked up, they saw that the stone. Which was very large, had been rolled away. As they entered the tomb, they saw a young man dressed in a white robe sitting on the right side, and they were alarmed. 'Don't be alarmed,' he said. 'You are looking for Jesus the Nazarene, who was crucified. He has risen! He is not here. See the place where they laid him.'"

Mark 16:4-6

Easter Assemblies

We are delighted to announce that we will be holding two Easter assemblies, which will be open to family members to attend. Our infant (Class 1 & 2), assembly will take place at 9.10am on Tuesday 29th March. Our junior assembly (Class 3 & 4), will take place at 3pm on the same day.

Cross Country

Well done to our Class 3 girls and boys for taking part in the championship cross country races on Wednesday this week. In contrast to last week, the running conditions were perfect on a beautifully warm spring day. This week the runners did particularly well by completing a longer course than last time. Jess, Shiri and Louis put on a great performance in their first race, and Bunny, Emily and

Phoebe kept up their excellent recent form. Well done also to Laurie who missed the first race through illness. Another fantastic effort was from Eleanor, who finished 5th. She maintained her place in the lead group all the way round the course until the last few metres, which was a very close sprint finish. Scott ran really well in a strong boys' group, and all runners once again showed the meaning of endurance by finishing the race, even though the distance was challenging. Congratulations to all children for their team contribution this week!

News from Reception

This week in Reception, we have read the story, Meet the Planets, which inspired our learning about the order and features of the planets in our solar system. We used marbling ink to recreate our own planets then ordered and labelled them all. In maths, we have started doubling numbers up to 10, using numicon and creating butterfly pictures. We enjoyed sharing what makes our mummy's so special and creating cards to give this weekend.

News from Class 2

This week, in English, we have started our new class story, 'Goldilocks' by Lauren Child. We have discussed traditional tales and made lists of what we already know about the character. We have labelled Goldilocks using adjectives and used this to help us write our own character descriptions. In maths, Year 1 have started focusing on the place value of numbers to 50. We have played games using counters and dice and drawn different representations to record our answers. Year 2 have been focusing on sharing and making equal groups. We have also used concrete materials to help us move onto solving division problems. In IPC, we have looked at the forces needed to move certain toys. We have labelled these and moved on to thinking about different types of playground games and the forces required to play them.

News from Class 3

Class 3 have started a new class book called 'Tin Forest' by Helen Ward and Wayne Anderson. We have used inference to make a prediction and given advice using modal verbs. In maths, we have started to study fractions. We have started a new IPC topic called 'Different Places, Similar Lives', and we have created a fact file about Bollington and mapped our school.

News from Class 4

This week, in maths, we have been exploring how to calculate the perimeter of rectangles and compound shapes, and we have learned to calculate the area of rectangles and triangles. For World Maths Day, we explored how we use maths in our daily lives. In English, we have been continuing our learning on 'The Lost Thing' by Shaun Tan. We have been working on synonyms and formal writing. For World Water Day, we focused on Global Goal 6- Clean Water and Sanitation, and we revised the water cycle and learned all about groundwater and its importance.

Sports News

Class 1 – In PE, the children warmed up with slow and fast movements around the hall then stretching up high and down low. The children then alternated between games, focusing on ball control.

Class 2 – In PE this week, we continued with target practice using balls and hoops. In the second part of the session, we practised controlling how to stop a ball from rolling.

Class 3 – In PE, the children took part in a class tournament, playing matches against each other. In tag rugby, the children took part in attacking play, skill drills and looking at overloads of 2 vs 1.

Class 4 – This week, we played, and developed our skills in, golf, tag rugby and netball. We had a great netball game in which the children demonstrated all the skills that they had practised.

Star Performers

Class 1: Eleanor

Class 2: Rory and Joe

Class 3: Heidi and Abigail

Class 4: Lilly-Belle and Harry



Easter works of art designed and created by Reception.

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