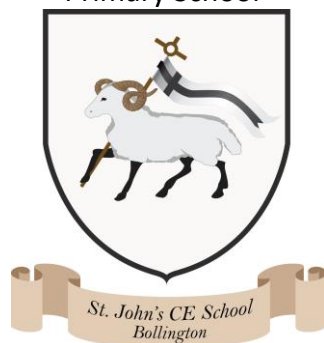


Bollington St. John's Church of England
Primary School



Where talent grows

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'Christian Value' – Peace

"Blessed are the peacemakers, for they will be called children of God."

Matthew 5:9

8th July 2022

Head's Message

This week Year 6 received their end of year SATs results. They did brilliantly, and we are so very proud of them all. Well done Year 6 for all you have achieved. On Monday, the children had their 'Move Up' morning, where they spent time in their September classes. I am very pleased to announce that Mrs Raniwalla has been appointed as the new Class 2 teacher, and she will be in school next week to meet the children. We are very sorry we had to postpone Sports Day on Wednesday, but unfortunately the grounds were deemed unsafe. We are looking forward to the event being held next Wednesday, when the weather looks much better. I must thank Allsorts for arranging a wonderful Mountain Rescue visit for our Reception children last Friday. Also, a huge thank you to the PTA for all their work organising last Saturday's Summer Fair. Finally, school reports are being sent home tonight so please check your child's school bag.

Summer Reading Challenge

The Summer Reading Challenge launches in Cheshire East Libraries on 9th July. This a national scheme to encourage reading and prevent children's literacy levels from dropping during the long school holidays. This year's challenge, Gadgeteers, celebrates STEM and imagination. The challenge is open to all primary school aged children and is designed for all reading abilities. There is also a Mini Challenge for pre-school children. For more information contact: libraries@cheshireeast.gov.uk

News from Reception

This week, in Reception, we rounded off our science based mini beast topic by releasing all 5 of our butterflies. Our concept for this topic was change, so it was perfect to see the life cycle in full and observe so many wonderful changes. To start our new topic, Once Upon A Time, we had a surprise visitor from a little old lady who was chasing a gingerbread person. The children were very eager to know more about what happened in this story and, so far, we have created story maps to plot out the events. In maths, we used the vocabulary more, fewer and equal to relate to quantities. Then, we linked this to weight and we will now focus on the vocabulary, heavier, lighter and balanced, using bucket scales.

News from Class 2

This week, in English, we have learnt a poem all about monarch butterflies which we then turned into a performance. We have written a report about the Minpins and researched the different types

of birds mentioned in the story. We have used adjectives and prepositions to write descriptive sentences about them. In maths, we have all been looking at position and direction, describing movement using words like left and right and moving onto describing turns using words like clockwise and anti clockwise. In history, we have researched a historic local event, The Bollington Festival. We learnt all about Dr John Coope and why he started the festival. We also made posters and watched footage from the first ever festival in 1964.

News from Class 3

This week, Class 3 have created persuasive letters based on our class book, 'How To Live Forever'. The children used imperative verbs to create a set of instructions showing how to make a potion. In maths, the children have continued to study time. They looked at am/pm and the 24 hour clock. As part of their topic 'Gateways to the World', the pupils created a holiday brochure. In STEM club, the children made their own butter.

News from Class 4

This week, in maths, we have been learning about symmetry, looking at whether shapes have no, one or more than one lines of symmetry and drawing lines of symmetry onto shapes. The Year 5 children also completed their end of year assessments. In English, we have continued exploring the book 'The Lost Happy Endings' by Carol Ann Duffy, planning our own prequels to the story. In our 'What a Wonderful World' topic, in geography, we have been learning about extreme weather and the impact that it can have on communities.

Sports News

Class 1 – In PE, the children practised for Sports Day, taking part in running races and obstacle courses.

Class 2 – In PE, we had some running races at different distances and prepared for our upcoming Sports Day.

Class 3 – In PE, the children continued to practise and prepare for Sports Day, including spring races, tug of war and a bean bag race.

Class 4 – This week, we had great fun practising for all the Sports Day events in preparation for next week.

Star Performers

Class 1: Sasha

Class 2: Megan and Austin

Class 3: Eleanor and Shiri

Class 4: Holly and Jessica