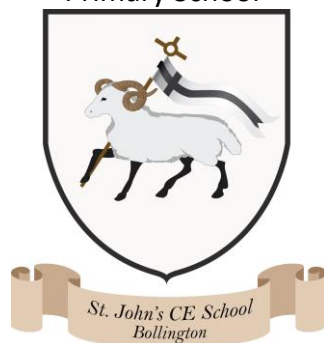


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'Christian Value' – Thankfulness

*"And whatever you do, whether in word or deed, do it all in the name of the Lord Jesus, giving thanks to God the Father through him."
Colossians 3:17*

22nd January 2021

Dear families,

Here we are at the end of another week, and a week that has been historic and every bit as busy as the last one. I hope that you are all safe and well and that remote learning is running smoothly for you and has been engaging for the children. Keeping everyone connected and learning is our main priority right now. Please always remember we are here for you if you have any issues at all, and please let us know if you would like us to apply for data for you or apply for the Winter Grant Fund on your behalf. If you are unsure if you are eligible for these schemes please contact the school office.

The week was historic as the world welcomed Mr Biden as the 46th American President and Kamala Harris as the first woman Vice President. As a global school I am so thrilled that the children are interested in world events, and my word they have been very vocal about the outgoing President Trump. Kamala's appointment feels like a pivotal moment and one I hope opens up the chance for more equitable opportunities for all.

I hope you all found time to have some fun in the snow. At school we managed to build snowmen before baking some rather delicious cinnamon swirls. On the flip side, my heart does go out to all the families in the area who may have experienced flooding, and I hope that none of you have been affected.

The Oak National Academy and the National Literacy Trust have come together to launch a Virtual School Library, to keep the children reading during lockdown. Every week, a popular children's author will be the author of the week and provide a free book or audiobook and exclusive videos and activities aimed at primary school children, all available at [library.thenational.academy](https://www.thenational.academy). The first and current author of the week is Dame Jacqueline Wilson DBE, who talks about her infamous character Tracy Beaker. We do hope you will find this resource useful at home.

We have a new Police Community Support Officer (PCSO), Alex Camenzuli. Alex has very kindly sent us a PowerPoint entitled 'While You're at Home', which I am sending out with this letter. I have

added it to the Coronavirus Updates section of the website, where I have also added PE links and activities to do at home.

We have received and distributed our DfE laptops and will receive our Lateral Flow Test kits next week, so staff can test themselves at home should they wish too.

Finally, thank you once again for your continued support and wonderful emails during this lockdown. I can't tell you how much they are appreciated. Please know that you are always in my thoughts and prayers.

With the warmest of wishes,

Mrs Walker.

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