



*Sharing our Gifts and Growing our Talents Together*

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## 'Christian Value' – Courage

*'Be on your guard; stand firm in the faith; be courageous; be strong.'*

*1 Corinthians 16:13*

26<sup>th</sup> February 2016

### **Head's message**

We have a number of dates coming up soon – please ensure you have them in your diary. On March 2<sup>nd</sup> we are holding a Parents Information Evening – more details below. Class 2 lead worship on the 11<sup>th</sup> March. On 22<sup>nd</sup> March the police are delivering a talk on E-safety for parents at 4pm at St John's. Then on March 24<sup>th</sup> we are having an Easter Service at St John's at 1.30pm. We hope to see you all at these events. Also parent's evenings take place week commencing 14<sup>th</sup> March and next week all the children will be taken to St Oswald's to take part in Experience Week.

### **Parents Information Evening**

On Wednesday at 4pm – 5pm we are holding a Parents Information Evening at St John's to update you on curriculum and assessment changes. We will be discussing our new literacy project, explaining how maths is taught across the Federation and also detailing how your child is tracked and assessed without levels. Please join us.

### **Voluntary Contributions**

Please see the attached letter that was sent out in the week, concerning voluntary contributions for trips and activities.

### **Mayor Visit and World Book Day**

The Mayor will be visiting both schools on Monday and classes will be celebrating World Book Day on Thursday.

### **Youth Speaks and Year 6 transition**

Two Federation teams are competing in the annual Youth Speaks competition on Tuesday and there is a transition event 'Mission Impossible' for Year 6 on Wednesday.

### **Big Sing**

The Federation Choir is travelling to Chester Cathedral on Friday to take part in the Big Sing. Look out for our photos on the website.

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#### **In school next week**

Mon - Mrs Walker at Pott Shrigley am and St John's pm. The Mayor is visiting both sites.  
Tues - Mrs Walker at St John's am and Pott Shrigley pm. Youth Speaks event at Ash Grove.  
Wed - Mrs Walker at Pott Shrigley am and St John's pm. Year 6 transition at Tytherington.  
Thur - Mrs Walker at St John's am and Pott Shrigley pm. World Book Day.  
Fri - Mrs Walker at the Big Sing at Chester Cathedral with Mrs Stout.

Please remember messages for Mrs Walker can be left with Mrs Sinclair/Mrs Blackwell or Mrs Watson at any time.

#### **Curriculum update**

**Class 1 St John's** – This week we have focussed on the story 'Hattie Peck' by Emma Levey. It has inspired us to think about the sort of animals that hatch from eggs. We have looked at list writing and revisiting some tricky digraphs in literacy. We have focused on 2D shapes in maths, making models and pictures as well as looking at the properties of each shape. Our incubator is set up now with our twelve tiny quail eggs. In just 17 days we'll hopefully have some beautiful chicks!

**Class 1 Pott Shrigley** - This week Class 1 have begun to look at their new poem 'Aliens Stole My Underpants'. They have learnt it by heart with actions. In Maths, we have been estimating and round to the nearest ten. To begin our new topic of 'Earth – Our Home' we have been over to the school field to search for signs of Spring. The children spotted many features, such as: snowdrops, daffodils and the leaves beginning to bud on the trees. We will do this walk again later in the Spring term to observe the changes.

**Class 2 St John's** – This week in literacy we have acted out the fable of the hare and the tortoise and used this fable to base our own new exciting fables on. In maths we have been doing addition using partitioning. In IPC we have been making our own bird suet cakes and hung them in our bird feeder. We have also been weaving our own bird nest out of twigs to store our chocolate eggs in.

**Class 2 Pott Shrigley** - This week we improved our literacy work and dressed up as explorers to show how we were able to transport the reader to the Rainforest.

**Class 3 St John's** - This week in Class 3, we have been starting to explore persuasive writing in literacy and looking at the issue of looking after our environment. In Maths, we have been looking at perimeter and area of simple and compound shapes. We have also been looking at the Easter Story in RE.

**Class 3 Pott Shrigley** – This week we have been looking at the features of persuasive writing. We have created posters on recycling using persuasive language. In Maths we have learnt how to add and subtract decimal numbers. In Topic we have started research on the Islamic Empire in 900 AD.

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## Mother's Day

Please join us for the Mother's Day Family Service at St Christopher's Church on Sunday 6<sup>th</sup> March. Class 2 from Pott Shrigley will be taking the lead in this service.

