

Bollington St. John's Church of England
Primary School



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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*

12th February 2021

Dear families,

We have reached the end of the half term and on the same day that we return to school, Monday 22nd February, the Prime Minister is set to announce his roadmap to ending some lockdown restrictions. At present this should include the re-opening of schools on 8th March, although at this time we have no further details on what this will look like. It was wonderful to see the children on a Teams meeting today, I have missed them all so much. The staff cannot wait until we are all reunited again. I must send my thanks to you as parents for working so tirelessly to support your children with their remote learning, and to the staff for their efforts to provide quality online provision.

As mentioned, we return to school on 22nd February, which is the World Girl Guiding Thinking Day. All key worker children are welcome to attend school on that day in their guiding uniforms. Boys are also welcome to wear their scout uniforms if they wish.

Today we were supposed to be having a whole school pyjama day, as requested by the School Council, to support Children's Mental Health charities. Please let the children know that as soon as we are able to we will rearrange this event.

For the first time in a good few years, both Shrove Tuesday and Ash Wednesday occur during half term. Usually in school we thoroughly enjoy our pancakes on Tuesday and Class 4 attends a church service on Wednesday to mark the start of Lent. If you have any pancake photos you want to send to us, we would be delighted to post them on the website.

Looking forward to the start of next term we have Fairtrade Fortnight running from 22nd February until 7th March. World Book Day takes place on 4th March, while we are still in lockdown. This is usually such a wonderful event in school and we hope that although we are online this year, we can still have some fun. I hope all the children, both those in school and those at home will dress up as usual. I have also asked teachers to make the online learning that day linked to World Book Day with plenty of free time for reading. Also please note parents' evening will take place virtually week commencing 22nd March.

Class 1 and 2 had great fun making spring rolls yesterday, to eat during their Chinese New Year banquet. Although not on the scale of our usual celebration, it was still wonderful to see the children commemorate one of our global days in school.



Finally, please follow the link below to see a video of some of the school choir performing 'Touch the Sky' from the movie Brave. It is rather wonderful.

<https://youtu.be/YnaW25MSIJA>

Have a restful half term and please ignore any lesson links that may automatically be sent to you or your child.

With the warmest of wishes,

Mrs Walker.

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