# Bollington St. John's Church of England Primary School



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# 'Christian Value' – Compassion

'Yet the Lord longs to be gracious to you; therefore he will rise up to show you compassion. For the Lord is a God of justice.

Blessed are all who wait for him!'

Isaiah 30:18

### Head's Message

16<sup>th</sup> June 2017

This has been quite a week. Many congratulations to our Youth Speaks team who represented the school magnificently on Tuesday evening. Year 5 had a wonderful time at the Bridgewater Hall, also on Tuesday, playing and singing with the Hallé orchestra. It was a once in a life time experience and one I hope they never forget. A huge thanks to Claire Jackson, from the Love Music Trust, for preparing the children for the event, and for allowing them to make music with fidget spinners today; as per the challenge set by the Hallé.

Today we have two films being shown for Film Night, by the PTA. We are so very grateful for all the support we receive off the PTA. We have also had a mixed Y4-6 football tournament at St Gregory's, with our team wearing the schools new competitive sports kit. Finally the Year 1 children completed their Phonics Screening Test today, officially marking the end of all this year's tests.

# St Oswald's

Next week all the children in Class 2, 3 and 4 will visit St Oswald's to take part in this years' Experience Week, based on Moses. On Thursday Class 2 will also take part in Eucharist at St Oswald's before their Moses experience. Our friends at Bollington Cross have very kindly invited the children to use their playground for a morning play. Please also remember that there is a Family Communion at St Oswald's at 10.30am on Sunday morning, where all dads will get a goodie bag!

# Next Week

We have lots going on next week, as well as the Moses Experience at St Oswald's. On Tuesday we have our special 'Get Together' lunch; on Thursday Class 3 are visiting the Quinta Nature Reserve and on Friday we have Sports Day at 1.30pm.

# **Future Diary Dates**

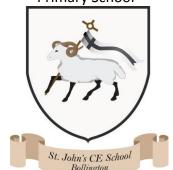
Just a reminder of some of the other dates we have this term. On 26<sup>th</sup> June Well Dressing Week starts and at 12.30pm on the 1<sup>st</sup> July the Opening Ceremony takes place outside the Cock and Pheasant. It would be great to see as many of you there as possible, and please can the children be dressed up as a movie character, as this year's theme is 'Bollington Goes to the Movies.' The new reception children make their first visit on 27<sup>th</sup> June and the New Parent Information Evening is 5<sup>th</sup> July at 5pm. Class 3 visit Manchester Airport on 10<sup>th</sup> July; and we have our Academy Celebration Assembly at 9.15am on the 12<sup>th</sup> July. The Year 5 children will be performing a special Hallé Assembly for parents at 3pm on the 14<sup>th</sup> July. We have 'Move Up' afternoon and the Bible Presentation on the 17<sup>th</sup> July, before our Leavers Assembly on 21<sup>st</sup> July.

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### Co-op to Help Raise Funds for PTA

The Co-op has a Local Community Fund which gives 1% of what you spend on its products to community projects. The School PTA have been extremely fortunate in being selected as one of the charities selected for our area. For the next six months (until October) you can choose to donate your 1% to the St John's PTA.

### **Global Learning**

As part of our ongoing commitment to Global Learning, next week we will be taking part in Refugee Week. During this time the children in all classes will do some afternoon activities linked to refugees and/or global issues.

### In school next week:

Mo – Mrs Walker at eCaph. Parent governor nominations need to be handed in.

Tue - 'Get Together' lunch and Class 4 at St Oswald's.

We - Academy Week 3. Class 3 to St Oswald's.

Thu – Class 3 at Quinta Nature Reserve and Class 2 at St Oswald's. Sue Glover (Diocese) visiting.

Frid – Sports Day.

# Curriculum update

**Class 1** – This week we recalled all of the amazing things that we learnt on our trip to the aquarium last week. It has inspired us to look at Pirates next week! We have been handling real money and buying items in our shop – it was tricky adding up all of our coins! We have been busy in the afternoons making Fathers' Day cards and ribbon jelly fish.

**Class 2** – This week in class 2 we have been learning a range of map skills. We have looked at a variety of maps which we brought in and discussed why people may need maps. We have produced our own sketch map of the school and made our own compasses. In maths we have learnt how to use coordinates.

**Class 3** – In maths, Class 3 have been looking at problem solving this week by doing correspondence problems (finding all the different combinations) and missing number problems. In English, the children have been using 'The Hodgeheg' book to practise their dictionary skills, to identify the main ideas in a text, to write instructions and to write a diary entry. In IPC, we have been discussing different airline logos and thinking about what we would need to pack for a week's holiday abroad. We also found time to make our Father's Day cards and talk about how fantastic they all are! Finally, Year 3 have enjoyed another trip to Forest School this week alongside the children from Bollington Cross School.

**Class 4** – This week, in class 4, we have started looking at the novel Street Child by Berlie Doherty, which is set in the Victorian times. In maths, we have been focusing on time, including reading timetables, calculating time internals and adding hours and minutes on to given starting points. We have also been converting between analogue, digital and 24 hour clock times. The year 5s spent a wonderful day performing with the Hallé, and rehearsals for the leavers' production are now fully underway.

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