

Sharing our Gifts and Growing our Talents Together

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'Christian Value' - Understanding

'Consider what I say; and the Lord give thee understanding in all things.'

2 Tim 2:7

30th September 2016

Head's Message

The new outside EYFS equipment has caused much excitement for the Reception children this week and they have been very patient waiting for it all to be installed. Now it's finished it does all look amazing and will enhance the learning opportunities for the children. Please look at the photos on the website. I had the pleasure of visiting each class this week to watch their lessons. As always the children were beautifully behaved and, more importantly, engaged and focussed on their learning. Finally I would like to thank the PTAs at both sites for holding their AGMs, and once again showing the commitment and support they have for our two schools.

Governor Working Party

A parent's forum, arranged by governors, was held at Pott Shrigley at the end of last term to discuss marketing the school and EYFS provision on site. A working party of governors was set up to investigate various options. The governors will hold a follow up forum on Friday 4th November, after the working party has delivered its feedback to the FGB on October 19th.

Pott Shrigley Entrepreneurs

Two pupils at Pott Shrigley, Elsa and Hollie, successfully ran their own snack shop at the school last term. We were very proud of all their efforts, and they raised approximately £60. The children were told they could choose whatever item for the school they wanted to spend that money on. The girls have decided they would like to plant flowers in wellies to decorate the school site and are sending out an appeal for old wellies please. They will use the money to buy flowers to plant in them and will also investigate planting a vegetable garden. Well done girls.

STEM Buzz Week

We have decided to run a STEM (Science, Technology, Engineering and Mathematics) Buzz Week starting Monday 7th November. If any scientific or mathematical parents would like to come in and lead a session or participate in any way we would love to hear from you. Please contact your child's class teacher.

Sponsored Reading Challenge

On our first week back after half-term the Federation will be taking part in a sponsored reading challenge. All money raised will be used to buy books for the school. More details will follow.

In school next week

Mon - Mrs Walker St John's am and Pott Shrigley pm.

Tues - Mrs Walker at St John's am and Pott Shrigley pm.

Wed - Mrs Walker at Pott Shrigley am and St John's pm.

Thur - Mrs Walker at St John's am and Pott Shrigley pm.

Frid - Mrs Walker at an eCaph conference.

Please remember messages for Mrs Walker can be left at any time.

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Curriculum update

Class 1 St John's – This week we have been reading the book Handa's Hen. We have focussed on initial sounds of words and counting and recognising to 10 and beyond. We have loved exploring our amazing new outdoor equipment too!

Class 1 Pott Shrigley – Class 1 have written some lovely stories about the adventures of traction man, using adjectives, adverbs and great sentence starters. In maths, we have been looking at money and time.

Class 2 St John's – In literacy this week we have had a visit from a hedgehog and made information posters about how to save and care for hedgehogs. In mats we looked at money and the value of coins. In IPC we made our own healthy sandwiches.

Class 2 Pott Shrigley – In Class 2 we have been writing our own versions of a Rudyard Kipling inspired 'Just So Story'. They are beginning to sound fantastic! In maths, some of us have been revisiting our times tables facts as well as solving some simple equations. The Year 5's have been thoroughly enjoying their violin lessons and Mrs Murdock ha pointed out their superb behaviour.

Class 3 St John's – In literacy, we have been looking deeper at traditional tales and thinking about how to make our writing more interesting by using adverbs and adverbials. In maths, we have been revisiting shapes and some have been looking at triangles in detail. In IPC, the children have been learning about King Henry VIII's ship, The Mary Rose. We have been thinking about life on board a warship.

Class 4 St John's — This week, we have been exploring the 'Just So Stories', and we have been writing our own. In maths, we have been working on column subtraction and have completed an investigation about pantomimes. In IPC, we have started to look at the tundra biome.

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