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



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# 'Christian Value' – Friendship

'My command is this: Love each other as I have loved you. Greater love has no one than this: to lay down one's life for

one's friends.'

John 15:12-13

Head's Message

I hope you have all had a chance to read the wonderful SIAMs report that was emailed to all stakeholders on Monday. We are delighted with the content and feel the inspector reflected all the great work going on in school, and all the great children who make the school what it is. I am attaching two documents with this newsletter. One is the Diocese April newsletter as the school is once again mentioned. The second is an information leaflet regarding the end of Key Stage tests that will be taking place in school soon. Finally, please make note of a diary date amendment. The Year 6 Leavers Play is at 9.15am on Tuesday 24<sup>th</sup> July, not Tuesday 17<sup>th</sup> July.

### Stay, Play and Pray

We offer a warm welcome to all family and friends of children in Reception on Tuesday, to come and join us for Stay, Play and Pray at 3pm.

### Year 6 SATs Week

SATs will commence on Monday 14<sup>th</sup> May and finish on Thursday 17<sup>th</sup> May. Please be reminded that school will run a breakfast club for the entire week for the Year 6 children, as we do every year. The cost of the breakfast for the whole week is £2.50 and you can either bring cash into the school office, or make an ePayment. The children should arrive at the Main Reception by 8.30am. Year 2 SATs will take place the following week, although we keep these tests much less formal as they are only used to help the teacher come to an end of key stage assessment judgement about each child.

### St Oswald's Family Worship

You are all invited to take part in Family Worship at St Oswald's at 10.30am Sunday morning. On Wednesday 16<sup>th</sup> May Beverley, Children's Minister at the church will be coming into school to set up Pentecost work stations for the children to take part in.

### May Day

Please be reminded school will not be open on Monday as it is a Bank Holiday. We will see you all on Tuesday.

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### In school next week:

Monday – May Day Bank Holiday. Tuesday – Stay, Play and Pray at 3pm. Wednesday – Mrs Walker at a conference. Friday – Mrs Walker at Understanding Christianity at Church House.

#### **Curriculum update:**

**Class 1** – This week in Reception we enjoyed a day at the woodland school. We measured each of the trees to work our which one was the oldest. In literacy we looked at categories of animals; we sorted the animals according to their key features. In maths we have started looking at time and we made a clock with moving hands. We have focussed on o'clock times.

**Class 2** – This week in literacy we have been writing poetry based on a storm, we have used adjectives and similes in our writing. In maths we have been doing division and adding a one digit number to a two digit number. In IPC we have been learning about the coral reef as a habitat and what type of creatures live in it.

**Class 3** – This week, in maths, we have looked at how to choose the best method to solve a problem. In literacy we have created our own piece of persuasive writing. In IPC, we have explored our woodland area looking at the different habitats within the school grounds

**Class 4** – This week, in maths, the year 6s have been working on reasoning and problem solving, and the year 5s have been working on multiplication skills. In English, we have been writing diary entries based on our current class novel. In RE, we have been continuing learning about Hinduism and the concept of karma. In IPC, we have been creating artwork linked to space.

**Sports News** – Class 1 went to the field to practise our sports day races. Class 2 played cricket, worked on catching skills and did class running races. Some of year 4 have visited Bollington Leisure Centre and have enjoyed a fantastic squash session. Year three have continued practicing passing skills in basketball. Class 4 worked on their throwing and catching skills and took part in cricket and rounders matches.

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