Bollington St. John's Church of England



Where talent grows

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'Christian Value' - Respect

"Don't do anything from selfish ambition or from a cheap desire to boast, but be humble toward one another, always considering others better than yourselves."

Philippians 2:3

4th October 2019

Head's Message

Thank you to Rev Veronica who came in on Monday morning to deliver whole school worship. On Tuesday we had our second Stay, Play and Pray session. It was wonderful so many family members could join us. Open the Book visited us again on Wednesday and taught us the story of friends lowering a man through the roof to meet Jesus – Mark 2:1-12. On Thursday Mrs Jobbins hosted a phonics workshop after school. Next term we will be running a reading workshop. We cannot emphasise enough the importance of reading to and with your child. Finally thank you to the PTA for their cake sale last Friday which raised £107.96.

Parents' Evenings

Parents' Evenings take place on Tuesday 15th and Wednesday 16th October. *Bookings are open in School Spider until 7pm on Monday 14th October.*

Emotionally Healthy Partnership

We are part of an Emotionally Healthy Partnership (made up of Tytherington cluster schools), and will be having a well-being non-uniform day next Thursday (World Mental Health Day). We are asking for a donation of £1 per family to support the Young Minds charity. All classes will be doing an activity linked to well-being that day. Please see the attachments for more details. Our Emotionally Healthy Ambassadors will be visiting Tytherington on Monday.

Uganda Appeal

Mrs Jobbins' trip to Uganda is fast approaching. Donations of the following items would be much appreciated, and can be left in the red tub in the main school reception: alphabet flash cards, stationery supplies (e.g. pens, pencils, rubbers, and pencil sharpeners), toothbrushes and toothpaste. The last day for donations is Wednesday 16th October. Thank you.

Internet Warning

We are aware that some of the children are watching a YouTube performer called 'Little T'. Although Little T is a teenager, his videos are inappropriate and deeply offensive. Wherever possible please monitor your child's internet access.

Crucial Crew Trip

On Monday Class 4 will be visiting the Moss Rose to take part in a child safety conference. The children will be back in school in time for lunch.

Year 1 Parent Lunch

On Wednesday family members of Year 1 children are warmly invited into school to join us for lunch. If you would like to attend please let the school office know.

In school next week:

Saturday – Autumn Fair at St Oswald's at 2-4pm.

Sunday – St Oswald's Family Worship at 10.30am.

Monday – Class 4 Crucial Crew trip. Emotionally Healthy Ambassadors visit Tytherington.

Wednesday - Open the Book. Year 1 parent lunch.

Thursday – Mrs Walker at liquid logic training. Non-uniform for World Mental Health Day.

Friday – Mrs Walker is at a conference.

Curriculum update:

Class 1 – This week we enjoyed making apple crumble and selling our apples to our friends and family. In maths we have been exploring the number 3; thinking about how to represent 3 in different ways and how to make 3 as a total. In literacy we have practiced our segmenting and blending skills to read short words.

Class 2 – This week in literacy we have been learning about the four different types of sentence and doing sentence sorts. We also learnt what homophones are and used them in our own sentences. In maths we have been learning how to add by counting on and the value of notes and coins. In IPC we have learnt about old fashioned toys and made timelines of toys old-modern.

Class 3 – This week, in maths, children have looked at doubling and halving numbers. In literacy, children have completed their stories based on our class book. In IPC children created a timeline that shows major events within the Stone Age. Children have begun to think about the Stone Age diet and the types of food that would have been available.

Class 4 – This week, we have been working on compact methods of multiplication in maths. In English, we have been gathering information about Sea Kelp, ready for writing a non- chronological report. In IPC, we have been looking at the lifecycles of different animals.

Sports News – PE classes 3 and 4 have continued with their football and basketball lessons. We have focused on using the dribbling and passing skills against opposition players, with as much control as possible. Pupils have also enjoyed minor refereeing roles, helping to give a better understanding of respect and being fair. Classes 1 and 2 have been using controlled movements to move through ladders, over hurdles and in and out of hoops, with an emphasis on accurate footwork and then speed. In the balance part of the lesson we continued to aim for steady and safe balances and have begun to work with partners.

Mr Read's PE star performers:

Class 1: Isaac and Ellie

Class 2: Theo and Natalia

Class 3: Emerson and George

Class 4: Thomas and Ryan

Well done to all stars performers.

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