



Summer 2nd Half-Term 2018

## Bollington Cross C.E. Primary School Newsletter



It is hard to believe that we are on the verge of finishing the school year for the summer break. It has been a fantastic year for our pupils. A year in which they have: connected to others in friendship, learnt outdoors and done a great deal for other people through work with Bearly Loved, Marie Curie and NSPCC. I believe that these are vital elements in developing happiness in our pupils.

We have achieved a great many things collectively and as individuals in the school community and over the summer we should reflect on how proud we are of these achievements.

I would personally like to thank all parents for their feedback, support, challenge and kind words over this academic year. We have taken and unearthed a great many opportunities to make our school an even better place to learn. I look forward to September and the opportunity to do just that as part of the school team.

Have a happy and restful Summer.

*Mr Donbavand*

## BCPS Summer Fair 2018

Our Summer Fair was celebrated on July 14th and was organised by our amazing Parent and Teacher Association. The sun was shining and so many of our BCPS community came along to enjoy the fun. The children seemed to relish the fun on offer at the fair and the opportunity to put a penalty past me. The event also signalled the start, and end, of my career in goalkeeping: I've just about recovered!

I must thank and acknowledge the hard work and generosity of our parents and staff in giving up their time to make the event such a success.

Hats-off to Mrs Brewin too. She has now been the Chair of the PTA for a school year and has run some fantastic events which have raised a significant amount for the pupils at Bollington Cross. I would like to congratulate her on a great year and the raising of **£1516.81** at the Summer Fair alone! What a great amount!



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## 'Ocean Plastics' Art Exhibition

Earlier in the year, Miss Latham was asked if the school would like to take part in a local exhibition to showcase the talents of children at all of the local primary schools. Lots of ideas were 'floated' and we eventually decided that we would cover the topic of single-use plastic and its impact on the planet—particularly its marine life.

The children set to work on the Ocean Plastics theme alongside a Reflections on Bollington theme, a common theme which linked all of the school involved.

At the Friday evening opening, the Arts Centre was packed with parents, teachers, pupils and town officials. It was a lovely event at which young musicians and singers from all of the schools performed.

I spoke to the Mayor during the event and he was particularly impressed with the whale that our pupils had created and the reaction it was getting. He agreed that Bollington could do more to reduce its use of single-use plastic and suggested that, during the Autumn Term, our school council meet him at Bollington Town Hall discuss the issue further. It is great to think that our Whale could have even more impact than we first imagined! Well done to all of our pupils: Their art looked fantastic! Thanks to Miss Latham for coordinating our participation in the event.



## Bollington Wells Dressing 2018

This year, BCPS was proud to be asked to take part in the Bollington Wells Dressing Celebration coordinated by Janet Beech. As the theme was, 'A Hundred Years Since...', we thought it fitting to highlight the amazing life of Emmeline Pankhurst - the activist who secured the right for women to vote.

We were also invited to perform at the opening ceremony. Children from Year 1 performed a country dance and children from Year 3 performed a Square Dance: We were really proud of how well they performed on the day.







## Music Extravaganza

Music Extravaganza week was a time to celebrate our musical abilities with our wider school community. Lots of hard work from our music tutors and Mrs Vaughan went into making it a big success. Thanks to all of you who attended and supported your children.



## Good Luck BCPS Class of 2018



Our Leavers' Assembly was a really memorable event, which showcased the multitude of talents that our Year 6 possess. It was so impressive to hear that, as well as performing, they had written the whole thing themselves.

They move on to their respective High schools after seven years of great experiences at BCPS. They are certainly ready for their next chapter and approach it with happiness and confidence. We will miss them and hope that they pop back, from time to time, to tell us of their successes. Well done 'Class of 2018'. Any Year 6 parents who are now leaving after a long connection to the school—best wishes, health and happiness in the future. Thank you for your support and commitment over the years.



## A note from the office

Please could all monies owing for Swimming, Before/After School and School Meals be paid as soon as possible. Please remember that bookings for Morning and After School must be paid for upon handing in the booking form. Booking forms can be found on the school website, in the school office, or from Morning / After School club staff.

Here is a thought provoking video for parents. It is a recent TED talk by James Bridle—in which he discusses Youtube content and how children are affected by it.

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## NSPCC Colour Run

During the Summer Term, we have worked closely with the NSPCC—whose main aim is to provide support for vulnerable children. NSPCC staff came in to deliver specific workshops for Year 5 and Year 6 which focussed on how to keep themselves safe.

In return, school decided to hold a fund-raising event. Our 'Colour Run' was lots of fun and children of all ages dressed in vivid clothes to take part. All staff and pupils were completely taken-aback when the final figure raised from the NSPCC Colour Run was revealed. We were amazed that the school community had raised £1166.92. Thank you to all of you for this amazing effort and generosity.



## Dates for your Diary

**July**  
Tuesday 24th School Closes For the Summer Holiday  
**September**  
Tuesday 4th School reopens for the Autumn Term  
Wednesday 12th Individual School Photographs

From all of the team at Bollington Cross C.E. Primary School, have a great Summer.



## A moment of prayer

Father,  
This summer will be full of new experiences for me and my friends: new jobs, exciting mission trips, and vacations to places we've never been before. Grow us, stretch us through whatever we do, and through wherever we go, so that we'll end the summer just a little more like you.

Amen.

