



Prestbury Church of England Primary School

Let your light shine that people may see your good deeds and praise your Father in heaven. (Matthew 5v16)

20th May 2019

Value: Faithfulness

Christian Calendar- Pentecost

Dear Parents

The theme for the worship this year is the Christian Calendar when we will celebrate the key Christian dates as they occur and look at other relevant areas in between. This week we look at Pentecost and the start of the church.

Pentecost means 'fiftieth day'. Christians use this word because they celebrate this particular feast 50 days after Easter Sunday, the day of Jesus' resurrection. You may also have heard Pentecost described as Whitsun or Whit Sunday, meaning 'White Sunday'.

Pentecost is a very important event in the Christian calendar because it marks the time where the part of God that Christians call the 'Holy Spirit' came down from heaven to live in those who believe in Jesus. In the first part of the Bible, the Old Testament, there are promises of restoring the relationship between God and people, and Christians believe that this was fulfilled in Jesus. When Jesus returned to heaven, God sent the Holy Spirit to live permanently and individually with anyone who accepts the Christian faith.

Pentecost was a forceful and powerful way to show that even though Jesus had ascended to heaven God was, and is, still at work on the earth. Some of you may be familiar with the events, as the early church gathered together and there was a mighty display of the Holy Spirit at work - people suddenly able to speak in languages they did not know, in order that they may tell other people about the Good News Of God's love for each person.

The early Christians had seen their leader crucified and then raised from the dead and now after 40 days in which Jesus proved His resurrection was real and physical, Jesus had ascended to heaven. But, Jesus had promised they would not be alone; that He would leave the 'Helper' to be with them and work in and through them. It is a great reminder to us today that as Christians and a Christian community we are never alone; God is at work in and through us by His Holy Spirit and around the world amazing things are happening as God continues to be at work.

With the children we will think about Superheroes and super powers - do they have a favourite? If they could have a super power, what would it be? We will then think about the fact that super heroes are great, but they are fictional, whereas God is real and He has displayed His power through creation and the death and resurrection of His Son, and the same God is at work in us by His Holy Spirit as we seek to live out our faith day by day.

I know both personally in my own faith, in our family life, but also professionally as Headteacher, it is great to know that God does not ask or expect me to live limited in my own strength (and weaknesses) without Him, rather He is at work and I can call on Him and seek His guidance and leading. I certainly don't meet the credentials for a superhero, but with God at work we can do amazing things!

Midday Assistants required

We have paid vacancies available on Monday, Wednesday and Friday. If you are able to support the school, in this role, please get in touch for further details.

There will also be vacancies for every day, in September.

Many thanks, Mrs H Bamford

Letting their light shine:

The following children received the let your light shine certificate from their class teacher last week:

R Niamh and Isla

Y1 Isabella

Y1/2 The whole class

Y2 all of Year 2

Y3 Daisy

Y3/4 India

Y4 Amy

Y5 Thomas

Y5/6 Jack

Y6 all of Year 6

Tickets for Macclesfield Garden Festival – Sat 22nd & Sun 23rd June

As the children are creating a garden to showcase at this year's Macclesfield Garden festival, I have been able to secure some pre-event tickets at a reduced rate of £1 per ticket. Children under 16 are free. The normal cost is £4 per ticket, which includes at £2 voucher to spend within the show on food, drink or plants. Please note the reduced price tickets do not include this voucher. Please send your money in, in a named envelope FAO myself. Details of the show are on the flyer, in Miss Butler's window, by the school gate. If you know anyone- young or old- who would like to perform in the variety show, on Sunday 23rd June, please let me know.

Many Thanks

Mrs H Bamford.

WASSADAMODRAMA Summer holiday schemes 2019: This summer we are visiting the Jungle, and Cherry Tree Lane for a couple of fun weeks of drama, music and dance. The schemes will be held at Prestbury Primary School, 10-4pm daily from Monday 12th August- Friday 16th August, with a performance from 4-5pm on Friday 18th, for family and friends. Then from Monday 19th August- Friday 23rd August with the same timings. The schemes are suitable for years 2-6, and cost £120 for each week. For further information contact wassadamodrama@gmail.com or tel.07496374446. There are also letters in Reception. Thanks! Claire

Forthcoming Events in school for the week beginning 20th May 2019

Monday 20 th May	Bible Encounter in for Worship Y6 at PGL for the week. Mr Jones' (Y4) class swimming
Tuesday 21 st May	Firebusters in for Y5
Wednesday 22 nd May	Community Worship
Thursday 23 rd May	
Friday 24 th May	School closes for the half-term. School re-opens Monday 10 th June

Forthcoming Events in school for the week beginning 10th June 2019

Monday 10 th June	School re-opens Y6 going to Fallibroome in September: Arts Intake day Mr Jones' Class (Y4) Swimming
Tuesday 11 th June	
Wednesday 12 th June	Community Worship
Thursday 13 th June	
Friday 14 th June	

David J Capener **Headteacher**

PTA News

Welcome to the last week of term everyone!

Thank you to everyone who helped at our film night last week it was a success as always.

Prestbury PTA are delighted to announce our fashion event presenting Style of My Own and others on Thursday 11th July from 7.30pm! Tickets will be available from us nearer the time but get the date in your diary, it will be a great night of fashion, fizz and friends.

Have a lovely last week

Claire Kat Mel and Becci