



# The Bolham Bullet

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Dear Parents

Since the beginning of term, we have been discussing the quote from Colin Powell, USA statesman, who once said '*a dream doesn't become reality through magic: it takes sweat, determination and hard work*'. Last Saturday, two teams from Bolham Primary School entered this year's Exmoor Challenge and with an incredible amount of sweat, hard work and determination, both teams successfully completed the gruelling 16 mile walk in extremely warm weather conditions. Congratulations to Sophie (Team Captain), Jay, Polly and Harvey who were placed 5th in the mixed teams and Melissa (Team Captain), Thomas, Libby and Ella were ranked 42<sup>nd</sup> in the same category. Thank you to Mr Moakes and Mr Lines for supporting the teams throughout the day. I know that many of you were at the finish line cheering the teams home and that we were all incredibly proud of the children's achievements.

## Diary Dates

15<sup>th</sup> May - Class 3 Visit to Knightshayes  
17<sup>th</sup> May - Year 5 parents evening at THS  
5pm-7pm  
17<sup>th</sup>-18<sup>th</sup> May - Class 3 Residential trip to Escot  
28<sup>th</sup> May -1<sup>st</sup> June - Summer Half-Term  
4<sup>th</sup> June - Non-Pupil Day  
11<sup>th</sup> - 13<sup>th</sup> June - Class 4 Residential Trip to Barton Hall  
12<sup>th</sup> June - Class 3 Visit to the canal  
2<sup>nd</sup> July - Tiverton Challenge for Year 6  
3<sup>rd</sup> July Year 6 sample day at THS  
4<sup>th</sup> July - Year 6 workshop day at THS  
5<sup>th</sup> July - Year 6 Sports for All day at THS  
5<sup>th</sup> July - Stay and Play session  
12<sup>th</sup> July Stay and Play session  
13<sup>th</sup> July - Sports day  
20<sup>th</sup> July - Reserve day for sports day  
26<sup>th</sup> July - Last day of summer term

21 of our Bolham Singers also worked extremely hard on Tuesday night when they performed at this year's Vocalize Concert. The music event was held at Cullompton Community College and our pupils had the opportunity to perform a number of songs in front of a large audience and to sing collectively with pupils from Cullompton School. Many thanks to Mr Boxer for rehearsing the pupils and organising this event.

Next week, Year 6 pupils will be taking their end of KS2 SATS. Parents are able to view the KS2 SATS timetable on our website under 'Quick Links'. Please could all Year 6 pupils be in school by 8:45am and can I ask that you ensure they all have breakfast each morning, even if the 'butterflies' are racing around inside them.

Denise Woodgate



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## **IMPORTANT INFORMATION FOR PARENTS**

### **PAYMENT OF SCHOOL MEALS**

We would like to remind parents that dinner money should be paid to the school on a weekly basis to avoid building up a debt. Thank you for your co-operation.

### **YEAR 5 OPEN EVENING AT THS**

There is an Open Evening at THS for all Year 5 pupils and parents to attend and meet fellow pupils and teachers and explore an array of opportunities available to them. This will be on Thursday, 17<sup>th</sup> May 2018 from 5pm - 7pm.

### **CHILDREN'S ART COMPETITION 2018**

The Mid Devon Show art competition is back. Depending on your child's age, they will be able to decorate, colour or paint a duck, goose or chicken. Entries must be completed by Monday, 19<sup>th</sup> June. If your child would like to get involved, then please come to the school office to collect a template drawing.

### **SAFEGUARDING**

It has been brought to my attention by a parent that some of our pupils are using the Animaljam App and that pupils are 'chatting' to other players online, and may possibly be encouraged to upload Youtube video. The parent expressed concerns that whilst Animaljam have safety advice for players and parents, the safety rules around young children using Youtube may not be as secure. Following this information, you may wish to check that that if your child is currently accessing this app that you know who they are 'chatting 'to and the suitability of any material they are viewing.

### **LOST PROPERTY**

Arthur Cottington has lost a school jumper, which is clearly named. Could everyone please check over the weekend, to see if their child taken home Arthur's jumper by mistake. Thank you.



## SPECIAL MENTIONS

### Class 1

Max Frank - for his wonderful attitude and willingness to learn.

### Class 2

Sophia Gulliver for great attitude towards her reading.

### Class 3

Year 3 girls for some fantastic planning in Science.

### Class 4

Adam Garnsworthy - Good productive week. Keep it up Adam.

## LEARNING LEAVES

### Class 1

William Walford - For his brilliant explanations in group maths sessions. Well done!

Arthur Cottington - For improved throwing and fielding skills (from Mr Williams, Sports Coach).

### Class 2

Paige Simmons - Showing great determination with all her work. Lovely division work this week.

Henry Bell - Excellent answers in maths. Good explanation of his thinking.

### Class 3

Evie Middleton - For confidence to read aloud in our poetry work even though she would prefer not to.

Coen Marks - For enjoying the week and working hard to produce a quality leaflet

### Class 4

Sophie Buckingham - For her determination and resilience with her learning.

Oliver Slade - For producing some really good written work. Great progress.