



The Bolham Bullet

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Dear Parents and Carers

I would like to start this week by offering my congratulations to Mr Dickinson and the Gardening Club for winning first prize in this year's Tiverton in Bloom School's Competition. Last Friday, Luke Cole and Oliver Slade represented the school at the award ceremony where the school was presented with first prize for the school Suffragette Movement Garden. The boys also collected second prize for the produce garden and an RHS Level 4 It's Your Neighbourhood Award.

On Wednesday, 17th October, Class 3 will be visiting Kents Cavern to support their learning about prehistoric people and how they lived and also on Wednesday, children from Years 1 and 2 will be taking part in a Multi Sports Festival at Tiverton High School. If you require any more information about the trips taking place, please refer to the 'Key Information' section of our website.

Next week we will also be welcoming parents and carers into school for our Autumn Term Parents' Evening. You should have all received an appointment slip to meet your child's teacher, but in the event that this has not made it home, please check the timetable posted on each classroom door, or if you can't get into school just telephone the office. I will be available every evening should you wish to discuss any aspect of your consultation, or if you need further information.

Finally, children in Reception will be coming home this evening with a free copy of Little Monkey. The Book Trust in co-operation with Macmillan Children's Books are providing over 700,00 free copies of the book for families to share and support children with their reading. I hope that you all enjoy the story and if you would like some additional resources to support this story there are more resources at <https://www.booktrust.org.uk/what-we-do/programmes-and-campaigns/time-to-read/>.

Diary Dates

- 16th & 18th October - Parents' Evening
- 17th October - Class 3 to Kents Cavern
- 17th October - Year 1 & 2 Multi Sports Festival at THS
- 19th October - Flu Vaccination
- 22nd to 26th October - Half term holiday
- 1st November - Vision Screening
- 9th November - Remembrance Service 9.15AM
- 14th November - Tempest in for individual school photos
- 24th November - Provisional date for Lantern Parade
- 1st December - Lantern Parade 2018
- 5th December - School Christmas Lunch
- 20th December - Church Rehearsal AM and Carol Service 6.30PM
- 21st December - Last Day of term
- 7th January - Non Pupil Day
- 18th - 22nd February - Half term
- 5th - 23rd April - Easter holidays
- 13th May - KS2 SATS week
- 27th - 31st May - Half term
- 10th June - Phonics test week Year 1 only
- 13th - 14th June - Class 3 Residential
- 19th - 21st June - Class 4 Residential
- 5th July - Sports Day
- 12th July - Reserve Sports Day
- 18th July - Class 4 performance
- 19th July - Leavers Assembly
- 19th July - Last day of term



MOBILE PHONES

Please note that we operate a **NO PHONES** site in order to protect the children and those who work with them. Adults are not permitted to use a mobile phone on site unless in a designated area. If you need to make a phone call or receive a text, please do so outside of the school site. Thank you for your co-operation with this matter.



SPECIAL MENTIONS

Class 1

Special mention to Walter, Jack, Thomas, Cohen, Max and Buddy for some wonderful English punctuation work this week.

Class 2

Special mention to William Walford and Olivia Gibbs who got to the top of the behaviour chart 2 times this week. This is the first time anyone has done it twice. To infinity and beyond!

Class 3

Special mention to Sophia Gulliver, Jacob Ogilvy, Paige and Bella for enthusiastic writing and learning.

Class 4

Special mention to Evie Middleton for asking for help when in the learning pit.

LEARNING LEAVES

Class 1

Alex Philpott - For brilliant use of positional language in our maths session.
Harry Cole - For his amazing work in English with capital letters and full stops.

Class 2

Harvey Saunders - Excellent maths this week. Great adding of 2 digit numbers with numicon.
Elliot Broadbent - For settling in really well after his holiday. Great attitude to learning.

Class 3

Phoebe Hanks - For her determined attitude to learning and good focus.
Archie Mitchell - For some great focus, great listening and enthusiastic learning.

Class 4

Cari Evans - for her work on interpreting line graphs.
Luke Cole - For demonstrating resilience and determination with his writing.

To the Whole school for the 'WATCH US RUN' challenge last week. Great effort!
(Mr Williams, Sports Coach)



IMPORTANT INFORMATION FOR PARENTS

REMINDER! PLEASE RETURN YOUR CONSENT FORMS!

Could we please remind parents to return your child's completed SOE3a (Annual Parental Consent for Local Offsite Activities 2018/19) and also the Parental Consent Form for Processing Data (if you have not already done so). Both forms were stapled together and sent home. Please ensure these forms are promptly returned to the school so that we are able to keep your child's records up to date. Thank you to all those parents who have already responded.

SWIMMING

Year 4 children will be having one more swimming session the first week after half term due to the missed session on 2nd October. Year 3 will then begin swimming from Tuesday 6th November - a letter detailing costs will be sent home to parents next week.

KENTS CAVERN

Class 3 will be taking a trip to Kents Cavern next Wednesday. If you haven't returned your form yet, could you please do so as soon as possible.

YEAR 6 PARENTS

Reminder to Year 6 parents! Please ensure that you apply for your child's secondary school place by 31st October. The easiest way for you to do this is to apply online by visiting www.devon.gov.uk/admissionsonline.

YEAR 1+2 MULTI SPORTS FESTIVAL

On Wednesday, 17th October, the Year 1 and 2 children will be taking part in a Multi Sports Festival at THS. The children will be returning to school in time for lunch.

AFTER-SCHOOL FOOTBALL

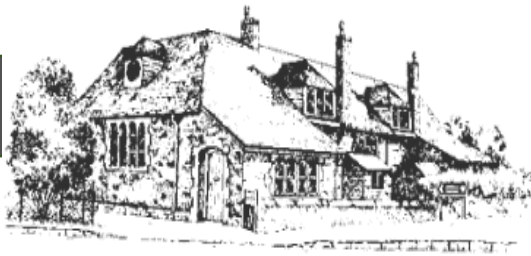
Parents, please note that there will be a session of after-school football club next Wednesday, 17th October and the club will resume again straight after the half term break at a cost of £10 for the next 5 sessions.

PLEASE CHECK FOR HEADLICE

We have had several cases of headlice report to the school in the past week. Please check your children over the weekend and treat as necessary. Thank you.

PLEA FOR COFFEE JARS

With the school lantern parade not too far away, Mrs Beach is asking for donations of empty Douwe Egberts jars that you may have lying about at home.



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NASAL FLU VACCINATION FOR CHILDREN IN YEARS RECEPTION - YR 5

The Immunisation Team will be administering the vaccine at school on Friday, 19th October. Can parents please ensure that they have given their electronic consent via the online consent portal, if they would like their child to receive the vaccine.

Thank you.

VISION SCREENING

The National Vision Screening programme will be taking place at the school for all children in Reception on Thursday, 1st November. If you DO NOT wish for your child to take part, then please complete the opt-out slip that was recently sent home to parents.

THANK YOU FROM CHAT

Thank you to all the pupils and their parents/carers for the wonderful donations towards CHAT foodbank. We were delighted to receive such a wonderful varied amount of food which will help to stock our shelves, especially with winter quickly approaching.

SCHOOL PHOTOS

On Wednesday, 14th November, Tempest Photography will be in school to take individual pupil photos.

REMINDER! BOLHAM SINGERS

There will be no Bolham Singers next Thursday, 18th October.