

The Bolham Bullet

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Dear Parents/Carers

It was wonderful to see so many parents and carers at our Autumn Term Parents' Evening. I know that the teachers appreciate the opportunity to share the progress each child is making and to discuss ways in which parents can support learning at home. Please remember that if you have any questions you wish to raise with us you are more than welcome to make an appointment with your child's teacher or myself during the year.

Class 4 are holding a pumpkin raffle this week and once again the proceeds will be going towards this year's Jaguar Challenge. Tickets will be available after school this evening and again on the Monday morning after half term and the draw will be held on Monday 29th October. Mr Dickinson will be holding a short Jaguar Presentation for Class 1-3 parents on Tuesday 6th November in Class 4 for those who would like to learn a little more about this exciting competition, or if they think they have skills we might be able to use to support this year's teams.

Finally, I hope that you all have a lovely half term and I look forward to welcoming you back to school on Monday 29th October.

Denise Woodgate

Diary Dates

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

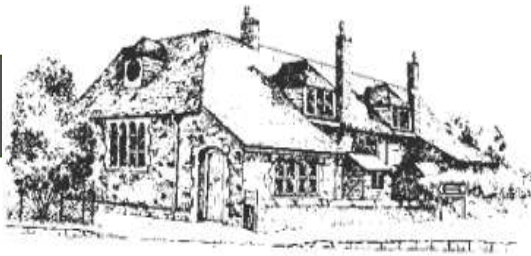
19th July - Leavers Assembly

19th July - Last day of term

GREEN TEAM



We are starting a Green team at Bolham and the children have been asked to write a letter to Mrs Worthington if they would like to be considered for a leading role on the committee. Letters need to be handed to Mrs Worthington by Thursday 1st November. She will then organise a vote and the committee should be then up and running by January. (Each role will change termly so that lots of children get to experience a committee role.)



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SPECIAL MENTIONS

Class 1

Special mention to the whole of Class One for a lovely start to the school year. What a lovely group of children!

Class 2

Special mention to Year 1 and Year 2 - Excellent behaviour at the sports festival on Wednesday.

Class 3

Special mention to everyone for being fantastic ambassadors for our school on our trip to Kents Cavern.

Class 4

Special mention to all the Year 5 and Year 6 girls who have been looking after Class One children earlier in the week.

LEARNING LEAVES

Class 1

Walter Blake - For lovely unaided writing about how colours make him feel. Well Done!
Charley-Mae Stone - For being able to explain how she knew which number was missing on our number line. Well Done!

Class 2

Holly Chappell - Excellent maths this week.
Isobel Lessiter - Lovely 'All about me' writing. Beautiful handwriting.

Class 3

Sophia Gulliver - For her growing self-confidence and great writing.
Phoebe Broomfield - For consistency fantastic learning and great maths work.

Class 4

Bradley Jones - For showing good improvement in all his learning.
Lyla Cullen - For using ICT to display her science work.

To all reception children for good use of language when describing the toad in P.E.
(Nick Williams, Sports Coach)



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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.

COATS AND HATS

Please can all parents ensure that they provide their child with coats and if required hats and gloves after half term as we approach the colder weather.

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 13th November - a letter detailing costs has been sent home this week.

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.

SCHOOL PHOTOS

On Wednesday 14th November, Tempest Photography will be in school to take individual pupil photos. More details on timings to follow in a later bullet.

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. 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 form that was sent home a few weeks back.

Thank you.

SCHOOL MILK

If you wish for your child to have milk whilst at school, then please register online at www.coolmilk.com/register. If your child is over 5 there will be a payment of £14 for the term. Please find the attachment also in the email with further details.



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FOBS NEWS

After last year's booty-shaking triumph, Bolham's very own FatBoy Slim - aka DJ Paul C, aka "Dad" to Dorothy in Class 3 and Arthur in Class 2 - will be swirling his swirling lights and spinning his dancing tunes for us all again at this year's Christmas fair on Friday December 7th. There's lots to organise before then, so please put the next FOBS meeting into your diaries: Tuesday 20th November, 8pm @ the Hartnoll. Father Christmas MAY OR MAY NOT be at the meeting, but he WILL be at the fair.

CAR PARKING

At the end of the summer term the school received a number of complaints about cars parking on road junctions and blocking access to local houses. We appreciate that parking can be a challenge for everyone at key times during the day, but please can I politely request that you park safely and with due consideration for local residents. Thank you for your support with this matter.



MOBILE PHONES

Please note that we operate a **NO PHONES** on 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.