



The Bolham Bullet

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Dear Parents/Carers,

I would like to start the newsletter this week by saying how very proud I am of the way in which our Year 6 pupils approached their KS2 SATS this week. They have taken six tests in reading, grammar, punctuation, spelling and maths. They have all been determined to do their very best and have supported each other with good humour along the way. I would like to thank Mr Dickinson for all his hard work in preparing the children for their exams and the Year 6 parents for their support and words of encouragement. The tests are now marked externally and we will inform pupils and parents of the final results when they arrive in July.



SATS Preparation 2019

Diary Dates

- 19th May - Exeter City Challenge fun run
- 23rd May - Polling Day
- 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
- 4th July - Stay and play session
- 5th July - Sports Day
- 10th July - Reports due out
- 11th July - Stay and play session
- 12th July - Reserve Sports Day
- 18th July - Class 4 performance
- 19th July - Leavers Assembly
- 19th July - Last day of term**

On Sunday, 32 of our pupils will be taking part in the Children's Half Marathon Challenge being held in Exeter. The children have been training each Friday lunchtime with Mr Williams and have now completed most of the 13 miles. The final distance will be run around the Exeter Canal Basin and I look forward to cheering all the runners across the finish line. The children have all received their t-shirts for the event this afternoon and letters were sent home on Monday regarding start times and parking details. If you do not have a letter, please go the school website where a copy can be found under Key Information.

Finally, I have received a complaint from local residents regarding the behaviour of some children in the morning and after school as they are making their way to and from school from the car park under the railway bridge. Please can I remind all parents to ensure that all children are escorted safely to school and do not present a hazard to local residents who are driving to and from work. Thank you for your co-operation with this matter.

Denise Woodgate
Headteacher
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UNIFORM

The Governing Body are delighted to inform parents that ImpactPrint will be providing Bolham Primary School Uniform from the middle of June and will now be our preferred supplier. ImpactPrint is based in Tiverton and will be moving to their new premises at 60 Bampton Street at the end of May (currently Twyford Print) we are delighted to be supporting this local business.

ImpactPrint will be holding stocks of embroidered cardigans, jumpers, polo shirts and PE shirts in various sizes for you to try on and purchase. In the unlikely event that they do not have the correct size in stock they will be able to obtain it within 5 days for you.

We would like to reassure parents that the design and colour has not altered and equally other suppliers are available that stock dark green jumpers, cardigans and gold polo shirts. Dark trousers, shorts or skirts are not stocked by ImpactPrint as these are readily available elsewhere at a more competitive price.

ImpactPrint have asked that parents wait until their new premises open and they have uniform in stock before visiting them or trying to order, we will update again through the Bolham Bullet when this is.

In the meantime if you have any questions feel free to contact me chair@bolham-tiverton-primary.devon.sch.uk

IMPORTANT INFORMATION FOR PARENTS

POLLING DAY

On Thursday 23rd May the school will be used as a polling station for the European Elections.

Please note the school will remain open as usual. Pupils in Class 1 will be working in the school hall and out in the school grounds. Please can all Class 1 children be brought to the hall for the morning registration.

Thank you.

YEAR 2 SWIMMING LESSONS

Please can we have all permission slips returned to school by the morning of Monday 20th May otherwise we will be unable to take your child swimming.

PAIGNTON ZOO

Please can we have all permission slips returned to school by Tuesday 21st May.

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 6 AWARDS

If you know of anyone who won an award in the Year 6 leavers assembly last year, please can they be returned to school by Thursday 23rd May.

BATTERIES

Please can we have your battery boxes returned to school by Tuesday 21st May.



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FOBS UPDATE

Please don't throw away any uniforms (inc shoes and trainers) your children have grown out of as the Green Team are organising a uniform recycling event in the summer term, as part of their effort to reduce waste and encourage recycling. It will be held on the days that the new reception class comes for their taster sessions, so new parents will be able to buy second-hand uniforms, with all profits going to FOBS. Please could you hold onto the uniform for the current time.

SPECIAL MENTIONS

Class 1

Special mention to Arthur Simmons for his enthusiasm when working with adults.

Class 2

Special mention to all of Year 2 for their 'can do' attitude to SATs this week.

Class 3

Special mention to Harry Butcher and Bertie Dent for some great writing.

Class 4

Special mention to all of Year 6 who have, throughout SATs shown tenacity and resilience.

LEARNING LEAVES

Class 1

Max Frank - For his great attitude to learning and being positive. Well done.

Isabelle Ruby - For her lovely phonics work this week - lovely handwriting. Well done.

Class 2

Alfie Criddle - An excellent week. Setting a good example of behaviour to everyone in the class.

Joshua Reed - An excellent week this week. At the top of the chart nearly every day 😊

Class 3

Paige Simmons - Miss Waterman is so impressed with your maths work.

Coen Marks - Good focus in learning and showing some lovely progress - especially in Maths.

Class 4

All of Year 6 for helping each other throughout the last week. Collaboration at its best.

Gethin White - For thinking his way through his mystery maths problems.

Well done to all of the children who are taking part in the Exeter Half Marathon. Good luck for Sunday! - Nick Williams (Sports Coach)

LOST PROPERTY

Alfie Criddle has lost all of his school jumpers, the garments are clearly labelled and we would be grateful if parents could check at home over the weekend to ensure that their child has not taken home the wrong jumpers by mistake. If anyone comes across the jumpers, please return them to the school office. Thank you.



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MOUNT SNOWDON CANNON BARREL CHALLENGE

Our Chair of Governors, Stephen Moakes certainly likes a challenge! On Saturday 25th May he has signed up for the 'Mount Snowdon Cannon Barrel Challenge' whereby a team will carry a 20lb Cannon Barrel up Mount Snowdon and back down again. They are doing this for 'Clarity,' a Mental Health Charity that supports individuals, families and groups struggling with mental health and especially depression. Mental Health currently affects more than 1 in 4 people; fortunately awareness has increased and there is much less stigma around it however sadly it remains underfunded and charities such as Clarity aim to support those in need alongside the NHS.

If you are able to support Stephen and the team please visit their fundraising site [here](#).

Equally if you own a business and would consider sponsoring their T-Shirts then please contact the Charity or Stephen direct. There is a publicity event in Green Lanes, Barnstaple on the 18th May and ITV news and local media are broadcasting the event too.