

The Bolham Bullet

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Dear Parents,

Everyone has settled back into school routine really well. Mrs Worthington has reported that our new foundation children are amazing and she awarded the whole group a Learning Leaf at our Celebration Assembly today. Congratulations to our super new learners in Reception.

Next week I will be posting this term's curriculum maps onto the website which provide more information about the type of activities our children will be undertaking in order to meet their learning objectives. These maps will provide you with the information you might like in order to plan a family day out linked to the learning theme, read books associated with the topic or have a discussion about the learning that has taken place in a particular subject. They will hopefully also reassure you as parents that when you ask the question 'what have you done today?' that the answer isn't 'nothing!' If you have any expertise in any of the areas being covered and are able to share this with the children, please do not hesitate to contact your child's teacher who will be only too pleased to welcome you into the classroom.

This week we have also welcomed two new members of staff to our teaching team. Sports Coach, Mr Callum Hodge, will be working across the school throughout the year developing our gymnastics provision and Miss Clark is joining us from Tiverton High School to teach French in classes 3 and 4.

Diary Dates

5th October - Harvest festival service 16th/18th October - Parents evening 22nd to 26th October - Half term holiday

9th November - Remembrance service 24th November - Provisional date for Lantern Parade

1st December - Lantern Parade 2018 20th December - Carol Service

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

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19th July - Last day of term

Finally, I hope that parents in Class 2 found the opportunity to learn a little more about the classroom routines a valuable one. If you were not able to attend the meeting, please do not worry, as Mrs Hillier is always more than happy to answer any of your questions.

Denise Woodgate

SAFETY

Please can I remind parents, carers and children to use the side pathways into school, remember to shut the gate behind you and not to enter through the main car park gate. I am confident that if everyone fully supports this routine we can continue to ensure the safety of all of our children.

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.

APOLOGY AND CONGRATULATIONS

Apologies to the Hobbs family for missing Bernie from the welcome list in last week's Bullet and congratulations to the family on the safe arrival of Roxanne who also joined the family last week.

SPECIAL MENTIONS



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Class 1

To Miss Cotter and Mrs Hague for helping the children to settle with a smile.

Class 2

To our new Year 1 children who have made the jump into Class 2 very smoothly.

Class 3

To all of Class 3 for settling in very well.

Class 4

Autumn Frye - Who has engaged 100% with all of our learning.

LEARNING LEAVES

Class 1

For all of Class 1 for a fantastic start to their school life. Well done!

For Thomas, Cohen, Jack, Buddy, Harry, Max and Walter for helping the new reception children settle into school. Well done.

Class 2

Jenson Tarr - An excellent attitude to learning. A fantastic start to Year 1

Isabella Ng - An excellent attitude to learning. A pleasure to have in our class. Thanks

for all the tidying too.

Class 3

Jodie Reed - For a great learning attitude and taking far more care to present her work. Bella Cullerne - For a great learning attitude and being willing to have a go at everything.

Class 4

Gethin White - For really getting to grips with silhouette studio (computer programme).

Nicole Connors - For beginning the new school year with a positive mind-set.

Joshua Reed - For following instructions so well in PE! Well done Joshua! (Nick Williams Sports Coach)

IMPORTANT INFORMATION FOR PARENTS

ASSEMBLIES

During the year, each class take it in turns to lead a Community Assembly and we invite parents to join their children for this assembly as a way of sharing their child's learning. Our first Community Assembly will be on Friday, 5^{th} October, when all the children will take part in our traditional Harvest Festival. Families are welcome to join us for this assembly at 9.15 am in the school hall.

CONSENT FORMS

Please could parents return the consent slips regarding data and off site activities to the school office as soon as possible. Thank you to the parents whose forms we have received.

DOORS OPENING

Just a reminder to parents that the school doors open at 8:40am.