



The Bolham Bullet

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Dear Parents

The final total for this year's Children in Need has now been counted and Class 3 raised an impressive £104.20 through their cake stall, fun run, Lego Battle and book stall. Well done to Class 3 for inspiring everyone to make a difference, congratulations to the winners of all the different events and thank you to parents and families for once again supporting the children.

On Wednesday this week, Year 1 pupils took part in the Tiverton High School Multi-Skills Festival where they participated in a range of sports and had lots of fun. Their behaviour was exemplary and they all received their certificates in our Celebration Assembly this morning.

Class 3 have also been incredibly busy this week preparing for the Tiverton Lantern Parade which will take place on Saturday, 1st December. The children spent the day learning how to make lanterns using willow, tissue paper and glue and the results are quite impressive. Thank you to Mrs Jane Withers for once again giving up a whole day to share her knowledge and skills with the children. Letters informing parents of the arrangements have been sent home and are posted on the website.

Diary Dates

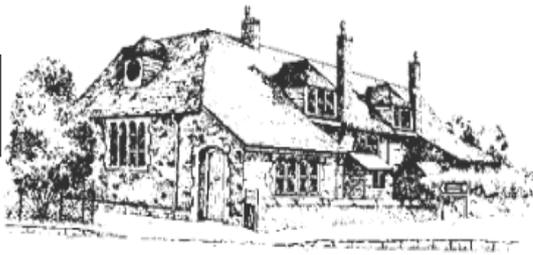
29th November - 3rd December - School Book Fair
1st December - Lantern Parade 2018
5th December - School Christmas Lunch
7th December - Christmas Fair
20th December - Church Rehearsal AM and Carol Service 6.30PM
21st December - Last Day of term
7th January - Non Pupil Day
18th - 22nd February - Half 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



Finally, thank you to Mr Findlay who spent some time earlier this week repairing our broken football posts. A Green Team badge will be on its way to Mr Findlay for helping us to reduce, reuse and recycle.

GREEN TEAM

We had a final vote this week for the post of Secretary and Phoebe Hanks was chosen. We will be choosing class representations at the next meeting. All the children are part of the green team if they want to be - all we are looking for is a commitment to attend meetings when needed and being an ambassador for being green within the school (and at home). The next meeting will be Monday, 3rd December and a report will be posted in the Bullet by the Chair.



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SCHOLASTIC BOOK FAIR

You may have noticed that the book fair is back in school. It's a great opportunity to encourage your child to read, stock up for Christmas and support the school, as we receive a share of profits to add more books to our library and class libraries.

It will be open after school from Thursday, 29th November to Monday, 3rd December in Class 3. To help us, please can you collect coins and smaller notes to spend - we will struggle to give you correct change otherwise. If you would like to purchase books away from your child for Christmas gifts, please let me know and I'll put items back to one side.

Class 3 and I look forward to seeing you there!

Mrs Flower

BOLHAM BEES BREAKFAST CLUB

Miss Cotter has notified the Governing Body that due to academic study commitments she will no longer be able to run Breakfast Club. Please note that as from Monday, 26th November, Miss Waterman will be supervising this provision. The Governing Body would like to thank Miss Cotter for all her hard work in helping to set up and run our before and after school club.

A big 'thank you' as well this week to all the parents who have use the online booking system, as it has really helped with our systems management and safeguarding process.

SPECIAL MENTIONS

Class 1

Special mention to James Warner-Drew for always being ready to help me - much appreciated!

Class 2

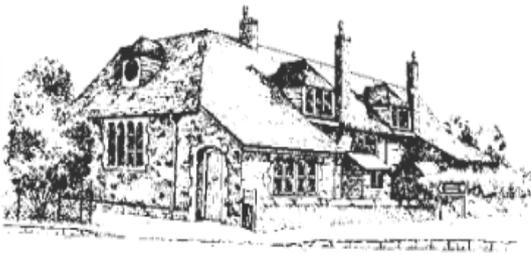
Special mention to Josh Reed for showing great kindness to his friends.

Class 3

Special mention to Mrs Jane Withers for her fantastic help with our lanterns - we are very proud of them.

Class 4

Special mention to Gethin White for the effort he has made to concentrate.



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LEARNING LEAVES

Class 1

Eden Hubery - For her fantastic attitude to learning and always being so helpful.
Harry Cole - For his increased confidence in his own ability and tackling jobs with a smile!

Class 2

Arthur Cottington - Excellent attitude and reading in Phonics.
Claudia Dent - Always putting in extra effort with writing. Using imagination and what we have learnt to write interesting pieces.

Class 3

Healey Hale-Westcott - For his hard work in preparing a great talent show item.
Beatrice Frye - For working at a better pace to show what she can achieve.

Class 4

Sunny Webber - For his work on missing angles.
Lyla Cullen - For her presentation in both English and Maths.

Nellie Alves and Beatrice Frye for doing a fab job with helping to organise the fun run for Children In Need (Nick Williams, Sports Coach).

IMPORTANT INFORMATION FOR PARENTS

CHRISTMAS LUNCH

This year, Christmas lunch will be on Wednesday 5th December. The options are Roast Turkey or Quorn Roast. Desserts are either iced sponge, yogurt or fruit. Please note that jacket potatoes will not be available on the day.

PLEA FOR COFFEE JARS

Mrs Beach is asking for donations of empty Douwe Egberts jars that you may have lying about at home. Thank you.

SCHOOL JUMPERS

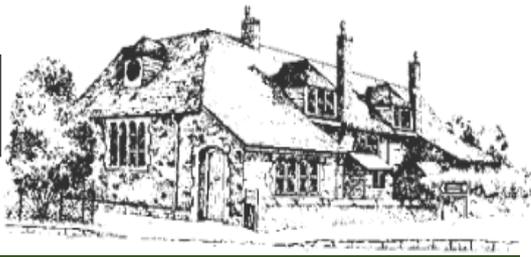
Could parents please check that they have the correct jumpers and cardigans for their children as a few have gone missing this week. Thank you.

FOOTBALL CLUB

There is no football club next week (28th November). The last session of the term will be Wednesday 5th December.

TEMPEST PHOTOS - DEADLINE FOR ORDERS THIS MONDAY!

If you will be placing a school photograph order, please ensure you send in your form and payment to the school office on Monday, 26th November. Thank you.



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FIRE SERVICE VISIT THIS MONDAY!

Reminder to the parents of children in Years 2 and Year 5 that the Fire Service will be visiting the school on Monday, 26th November. If you wish for your child to not be involved, then please return the opt-out form.

FOBS NEWS

It may still be November, but that's no reason not to start preparing for the Christmas Fair, which will be held on Friday, 7th December at 3.30pm.... Sign-up sheets for visiting Father Christmas in his grotto will be outside Class 3 from next Wednesday - £2.50 per child (pay at the fair) including a present to take home.... Please put raffle donations food/drink/DVDs/vouchers etc) in the boxes outside Class 3... Please bring decorated jars filled with sweets/toys/pencils etc for the Jam Jar Jamboree any time between now and the Fair... Please bring cakes for the cake stall on the day... and don't forget your dancing shoes for DJ Paul's disco.

All proceeds from the Christmas Fair - and all FOBS' activities - go to benefit every child at school.

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.



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Can you help Displaced Families this Christmas?

The Refugees Women's Centre in Dunkirk and Calais support women, children and vulnerable people of all ages and nationalities who have left their homes and loved ones due to war, conflict and persecution. Since the demolition of The Jungle, there are now almost 2000 people living in the forests, parks and on the streets of Northern France and at least 200 are unaccompanied children. As winter approaches The Refugee Women's Centre, which is run by volunteers and funded by donations, are desperate for donations of essential items which they distribute to the families they support. These are families just like ours who have had to flee their homes, jobs and schools. Abi Dent is volunteering in partnership with The Refugee Women's Centre and Bolham Primary School has kindly agreed to be the collection point. Please take a look at the list of items below and if you have anything at home that you would be able to donate, please bring it into school **any day next week, from Monday to Friday** and leave with the office. Abi will collect donations daily and get them sent to France

DONATIONS LIST (Items in bold are most urgent)

Clothes & shoes

- **Men's, Women's & Children's waterproof coats**
- **Children's waterproof ski suits**
- **Women's & Children's leggings and tracksuit bottoms**
- **Men's, Women's and Children's trainers/practical shoes**
- **Men's, Women's and Children's socks (new/like new - particularly ankle socks)**

Camping items

- **Tents** (2-8 person - especially 5 people and larger)
- **Tarpaulin**
- **Sleeping bags** (adults, children's & babies)
- **Large blankets**
- **Medium & large rucksacks**
- **Pots & pans**
- **Reusable plastic or crockery plates reusable plastic cups**
- **Knives, forks and spoons**

Hygiene items

- **Baby wipes**
- **Baby nappies** (especially size 5 & 6)
- **Baby milk powder** (No.1, 2 & 3)
- **Children's toothbrushes and toothpaste**
- **Women's deodorant**

Misc items

- **Craft material, henna, nail varnish, make up**
- **Dummies & baby bottles**(new)
- **Torches** (especially wind-up)
- **Children's prams**

I appreciate this is a busy and expensive time of year for us all, but if you had any items your family have grown out of, or could manage to buy an extra packet of wipes, or a toothbrush the next time you are shopping that would be incredible. If you have any questions, please find Abi Dent and ask. Thank you very much in advance.