



The Bolham Bullet

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Dear Parents and Carers,

This week in our school assemblies we have explored the theme of bullying and discussed what is meant by the term bullying and what the children need to do if they think they are being bullied. If you would like to learn more, or to discuss the theme with your children please go to <https://www.anti-bullyingalliance.org.uk/anti-bullying-week> for information.

Next week, we will be taking part in the Tiverton Lantern Parade. If your child is in Class 3 and would like to take part in the event, please make sure that you have returned your consent forms to school by Wednesday 27th November.

At the start of next month, the children will be taking part in an initiative to plant more trees in Tiverton. Local foresters, Dave Wood and Rosie Wibberley, will be coming into school to lead this event. Each child will need a small yoghurt pot in which to plant their seed, so if you have any empty yoghurt pots, please could you help by sending them into school by Tuesday 3rd December.

Denise Woodgate
Headteacher, Bolham Primary School

Together We Aspire, Together We Achieve

Diary Dates

30th November - Lantern Parade
6th December - Christmas Fayre
11th December - Christmas Lunch
19th December - Carol Service
20th December - Last day of Autumn Term
7th January - Start of Spring Term
17th-21st February - Half Term
27th March - Last Day of Spring Term
14th April - Start of Summer Term
20th April - Bikeability - Year 5
8th May - Bank Holiday
11th May - KS2 SATs
21st May - Wilcombe Wobbler
25th-29th May - Half Term
Week of 8th June - Year 1 Phonics Screening
10-12th June - Class 4 Residential
9th-10th July Class 3 Residential
17th July - Last day of Summer Term

The Norovirus season is with us once again. Please can we remind all parents that if your child has had symptoms of diarrhoea and vomiting that they do not return to school until 48 hours after their last bout of sickness or diarrhoea in order to try to break the infection cycle.

Thank you for your support with this.



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IMPORTANT INFORMATION FOR PARENTS

COATS

Can we request that children are sent in with coats please as the weather is unpredictable at the moment.

ADVANCED NOTICE

Class One will be used as a polling station on Thursday 12th December.

ADVANCED NOTICE

There will be no After School Club on Christmas Fayre day (Friday 6th December) or the last day of term (Friday 20th December).

CHRISTMAS CARDS

The order forms for Christmas cards must be returned by Monday morning, 25th November, at the latest as they are being sent off that afternoon. Many thanks.

SCHOOL PHOTOS

We have arranged the collection of the school photos for Wednesday 27th November therefore all orders must be at the school office by Tuesday 26th November at the latest.

YEAR 3/4 GIRLS FOOTBALL EVENT

The Year 3/4 girls football event at THS astro has been rearranged to the 5th December between 10am-12pm. The group will be walking down and we will need a parent volunteer. If you are able to help, please let us know in the office.

AFTER SCHOOL FOOTBALL

There are only 3 more weeks of after school football, therefore Paul A'Lee who runs the club is offering the 3 weeks at a reduced price of £5.

THE BOOKFAIR IS BACK!

We will be holding the Scholastic book fair in the hall this year and it will be running from 3.30pm on Thursday 28th November, Friday 29th November and Monday 2nd December. Come and support us - the more books we sell the more money we get back to spend on books for the school.



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SPECIAL MENTIONS

Class 1

Special mention to Alistair Wych for being a lovely role model to others in the class.

Class 2

Special mention to everyone in Class 2 for excellent behaviour in swimming. It's lovely to see the children progress every week.

Class 3

Special mention to Archie Mitchell for being brilliant at paired working.

Class 4

Special mention to Alex Brameld for a really focussed week. Keep it up!

LEARNING LEAVES

Class 1

Lucas Pancherz - For his fantastic attitude to learning - lovely to see!

Sophia Kendryna - For her consistent positive attitude to her learning. Well done!

Class 2

Max Frank and Jack Snell - Excellent behaviour during the fire fighters talk - real ambassadors for our school.

Jenson Tarr - A mature and helpful attitude to school life.

Class 3

Olivia Gibbs - For the fantastic effort she has been putting into improving her times tables. Keep up the good work!

Paige Simmons - For her outstanding attitude to all of her learning. She is always listening, working hard and trying her best.

Class 4

Bertie Dent - For much improved presentation in Maths.

Lilly Davies - For applying what she learns to help solve problems.

Phoebe B and Dorothy - For a fantastic learning attitude in PE. Well done! - Mr Williams (Sports Coach)



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THE GREAT TIVERTON TREE PLANT

Do you have time to spare to help the Tiverton Tree Team? The team of volunteers (including Bolham parents) will be planting trees across Tiverton and need your help! See the poster below for more details.

The Great Tiverton Tree Plant

come plant with us

Saturday November 30th 2019
from 10am - 3pm. At one of these sites:

Site 1. Knightshayes
Come and plant a landmark avenue of 18 oaks and help to restore a public woodland by planting 200 native deciduous trees at this beautiful and historic site. Meet: Very top of the Visitors' Car Park, Knightshayes, Bolham, Tiverton, Devon, EX16 7RG. Parking is free for Tree Team volunteers. **Time: 10am - 3pm**

Site 2. Moorhayes Farm
We will be planting a wildlife corridor of 300 trees, to join up two existing woodlands. Meet: Moorhayes Farm, Washfield, Tiverton, EX16 9RF. **Time: 10am - 3pm**

Site 3. Hackpen Natural Burial Ground
Open up a beautiful, peaceful spot to the community as a new green burial site. Meet: Hackpen Hill (sw side) nr Ashill EX15 5LU. Postcode doesn't bring you to exact spot, but look out for Tree Planting signs. **Time: 10am - 3pm** (NB: there is no toilet or kitchen at this site, but there will be a gazebo for shelter)

What to bring
Warm, waterproof clothing, wellies or boots and gloves.
A spade if you have one.
A packed lunch.
Cakes or biscuits to share?
Sites 1&2 will provide tea and coffee, but there's no facilities at site 3.
An extra flask wouldn't go amiss.

Children? Dogs? Friends?
The more the merrier, but please confirm with tivertontreeteam@gmail.com which site you're coming to and how many people you are. Children are very welcome, as long as they're accompanied by an adult who is responsible for their well-being at all times. Well-behaved dogs welcome.

Will rain stop play?
Whatever the weather, we will go ahead. This is Devon!

Contact
On the day, we'll be on 07521 244743. Prior to that, please contact us by email on tivertontreeteam@gmail.com [facebook.com/tivertontreeteam](https://www.facebook.com/tivertontreeteam)



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KNITTING CHALLENGE

Hello, Bolham School pupils, FOBS, Knitters and Friends! Devon County Show have set us a challenge! They want the good people of Devon to help celebrate their **125th Show on 21st to 23rd May 2020** by smashing the current Guinness Book of records longest Knitted Bunting Record.

It is also the 100th anniversary of the WI, and the 10th anniversary of the Knutty Knitters.

The completed bunting will be displayed in the Craft and Garden Tent at the show. The bunting needs to be received in Silverton, the collection point, by Friday 24th April, 2020.

Claudette Harrower, Bolham Primary School Governor (Safeguarding), Tiverton Almshouse Trust (Director), Tiverton Volunteer Litter Pickers (Chair) and Tiverton Town Councillor (Westex) has sought the assistance of these colleagues and friends. The Salvation Army, The Heathcoat Centre, local groups and churches and many individuals to help. But not just to make bunting!

Claudette will pick up completed Flags from Bolham School on Monday 20th April 2020. It was pointed out to her by ladies at Greenway Court that they wanted the knitting to be more meaningful. With this in mind, she contacted Deborah Custance Baker, DCC who readily agreed that the bunting, after being displayed, could be returned to the knitters to be made into blankets, clothing etc for children who are living in refugee camps throughout the world. In other words, recycled for practical use. This will be achieved by asking the knitters to put their bunting into a box, stating the number of pieces collected, a contact name and number and Claudette will collect it from Silverton and return it. Or, Claudette can leave it at Silverton for Deborah and her team to redistribute it from there.

Perhaps we can start a new generation of Knitters at Bolham Primary School?

There are two simple patterns to follow. You will need DK 4MM (Size 8) needles and any colour wool. We need 8km in total (just under 5 miles), just under 31,200 knitted flags. Each flag must be no more than 8" across the top and no more than 92 on the diagonal. If some of us could be clever and knit the letters T I V E R T O N on 8 of their flags, that would really help! The team at Silverton will attach them to the tape for display.

Patterns - Basic Bunting:

pssso - pass slip stitch over

Cast on 31 or 41 stitches (depending on thickness of wool)

Knit 4 rows

Knit 1, slip 1, knit 1, pssso knit 25/35, k2 tog k1 (29/39 stitches)

Knit 3 rows

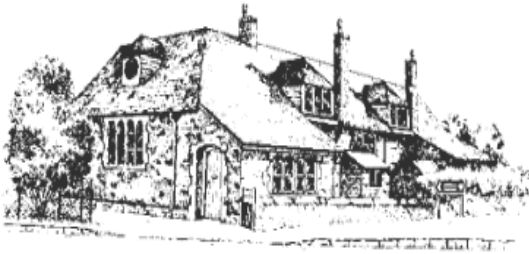
K1, slip 1, knit 1 pssso, knit 23/33, K2 tog, k1

Knit 3 rows, knitting 3 rows between each decrease row, until 5 stitches remain and after 3 knit rows knit 1, slip 1, pssso, k1 (3 stitches)

Knit 3 rows, slip 1, k2 tog, pssso

Fasten off

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Bunting with eyelets Cast on 31 or 41 stitches

1. Knit one row
2. Knit 1, yarn over, k2 tog, yarn over, k2tog to end
3. Knit 2 rows
4. K1, pssso, knit to last 3 stitches, k2 tog, k1
5. Knit 3 rows
6. K1, pssso, knit to last 3 stitches, k2 tog, k1
7. Knit 3 rows
8. Repeat this decrease pattern until 5 stitches remain and 3 knit rows have been worked
9. K1, slip 1, k2 tog, pssso
10. Knit 3 rows
11. Slip1, k2tog, pssso
12. Fasten off and cut yarn

**To succeed Tiverton needs you!
Together we aspire,
Together we achieve**

**Have fun!
Thank you all**