

The Bolham Bullet

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Dear Parent and Carers

Children in classes 3 and 4 have been very busy lately with the introduction of the Golden Mile as part of our post lockdown Keep Fit, Keep Moving Programme. Mr Hodge, our sport's coach, has kindly written a piece for parents and carers in this week's Bullet and also included some photographs of our Class 2 children participating in their outdoor P.E lessons.

DIARY DATES

Christmas lunch - 9th December

End of Autumn Term - 18th

December

Spring Term starts - 5th January

February Half Term - 15th

February-19th February

Easter Holidays - 2nd April-18th

April

Summer Term starts 19th April

Half Term - 31st May - 4th June

End of Summer Term - 23rd July



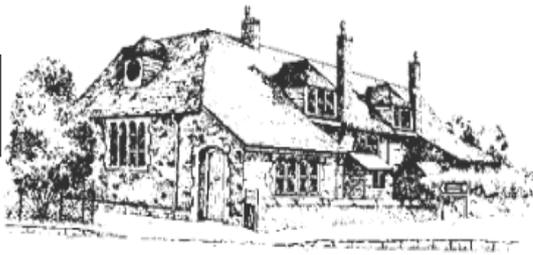
On Wednesday 9th December, we will be having our traditional Christmas lunch. Although we are unable to all sit together in the hall this year, each class 'bubble' will be celebrating in their own special way and we would like to invite all the children to either 'dress up' or 'dress down' for the day.

Finally, children in Class 2 have all taken their phonics check this half term and parents will be receiving a letter home this evening with their child's results. If you have any questions, or require further information, please do not hesitate to contact us.

Denise Woodgate

Head teacher

'Together we aspire, together we achieve'



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OUT OF HOURS

If you or a member of your household has possible COVID -19 symptoms or test positive for Covid-19, please **contact the school** on **01884 253576** during school hours or text a message to **07513 299444** after hours and at the weekend. A member of staff will then contact you for further information as the school has a Public Health England procedure to follow.

AFTER SCHOOL CLUB - FRIDAY 18TH DECEMBER

Please be aware that there is no after school provision on Friday 18th December.

COLLECTING CHILDREN FROM SCHOOL

Please can you notify school if your child/children will be collected by anyone other than yourselves or those currently familiar to the school. You can do this via the school office on email: admin@tiverton-bolham-primary.devon.sch.uk or 01884 253576. Children will not be allowed to leave school with anyone unauthorised.

PARKING

Thank you to those of you who have worked with us in keeping the bus bay clear at drop off and pick up times but can we please now ask that parents do not park on the junctions and again not blocking residents driveways. Thank you for helping to keep our children safe.

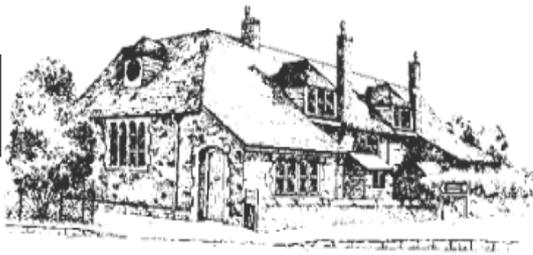
CHRISTMAS IN CLASS 4

Christmas Fair

As you may now know, our normal Christmas Fair has now become our 'new' normal Christmas Fair thanks to Covid. As a result, in class 4, we will be having our own Christmas fund raising event. Apart from the children making and buying their own snowmen we will be holding a raffle of sorts. All of the prizes have been self-isolating for at least 14days (some of the teddies aren't particularly impressed about this) and as such I am happy that they are clean. Rather than sell raffle tickets, each child can buy a named lolly stick for £1:00. The sticks will then be drawn on Thursday 17th December with the children then choosing their prize.

Christmas Cards

In class 4 we have our own post box for the children to post their cards to their friends. The last day for posting will be Monday 14th December so as any cards have time to potentially decontaminate. The box will be opened on Thursday 17th December and cards given out. I would ask that cards are not distributed in the normal way but to use the post box to help minimise any risk.



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SPECIAL MENTIONS

Class 1

Special mention to Max Alexander for completing his independent tasks without being reminded.

Class 2

Special mention to Alice Parker - Thank you for all your tidying up this week.

Class 3

Special mention to Cohen Hooper for being our Most Improved Player (MIP) on TTRockstars.

Class 4

Special Mention to Phoebe Broomfield, Dorothy Cottington, Briony Hill and Lana Smith for their collaborative group work when practising their Christmas mini-production.

LEARNING LEAVES

Class 1

Livvy Johnson - For her understanding and explanation of how to find a 2D shape. Well done!

Esther Gale - For her growing independence in reading. Well done!

Class 2

Felix Pickering - Excellent maths work this week on halves and quarters.

Aria Valentine-Marsh - Excellent maths work this week and lovely reading (even during wet playtimes!)

Class 3

Ollie Veen - For working really hard all week - we've been really impressed. Keep it up!

Hannah Slade - For superb use of formal language and excellent multiplying of 2-digit numbers by 1-digit numbers.

Class 4

Jasmine Ruby for her focused note-taking about the physics of sky diving.

Isabella Cullerne for her maths work when multiplying and dividing by 10 and 100



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GOLDEN MILE

As part of the keep fit keep moving programme Bolham has introduced the Golden Mile Challenge as a way for children to stay active during the school day. The Golden Mile Challenge started on the 9th November and will be carried out through the rest of the academic year.



Class 2 during their sports sessions

The Golden Mile consists of children running, jogging or moving any way they like around a measured track and recording laps. Each lap is inputted on the Golden Mile website where they are then converted into miles. The more laps they do the higher their overall miles gained will be. There are milestones that pupils must work towards in order to achieve a certificate.



I am delighted to announce that in the 4 short weeks since we began, we have awarded 18 bronze and 5 silver certificates. Well done to those children, keep up the pace and others will follow in your footsteps.

As a whole school we have run a total of 603.79 miles!



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ONE MILE CHALLENGE

Due to the recent lockdown, Ava in Class 2 had been missing her weekly dance classes and swimming lessons and felt she needed to do something just to keep moving. As part of the Exe Runners Challenge Ava joined in the one mile challenge and completed her mile in just under 13minutes. As the youngest member of Exe Runners we felt a special medal was in order for joining in and getting out there.



LOST PROPERTY

Max Frank in Class 3 has lost a school jumper which is clearly named; if anyone finds it can it be returned to Max. Many thanks.