

The Bolham Bullet

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Dear Parents and Carers

Thank you to all of our Year 6 pupils and parents who attended our very special Leavers' Awards Ceremony on Tuesday evening. The Year 6 pupils kept us entertained with their end of year production and received their well-earned trophies before finishing the evening with canapes and bubbles as the sun set over Bolham. Many thanks to Abi Dent and Ellie Reed for organising such a perfect evening at such short notice and to all the team who helped out on the night.



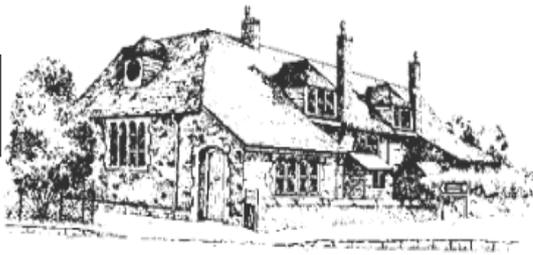
On Thursday, we welcomed everyone to our last online community assembly for this school year. During the assembly, Livvy Johnson was presented with the Early Years Artist Award and Lana Smith received the Rotary Club of Tiverton Unsung Hero Award. We also announced the new house captains and vice captains for 2021-22. Many congratulations to Liam Gwyther who will lead Dart with Jacob Ogilvy as his vice-captain, Paige Simmons the new captain of Exe with vice-captain Isabelle Cullerne, Beau Webber who takes the captain's role for Lowman with Olivia Gibbs as the first Year 5 vice-captain to be appointed to the position and finally Winnie Halsey the new house captain for Barle with vice-captain Freya Cumes. The staff were also treated to a 'Thank You' video for all of their hard work this year. The short film featured many of the children from across the school who all said 'thank you' in so many different ways and made us smile. Thank you to everyone who took part in this production produced by Franny Armstrong and Kate Atkins.

Today we gathered as a school to wish Mr Botham farewell, as it is his last teaching day with us. Mr Botham has only been with us for a short time, but in that time has become a highly valued and well-respected member of the team. He will be greatly missed, but we wish him every happiness in his new school back in Gloucester.

Finally, I would like to thank everyone for all their hard work this year. It has certainly been a challenging one at times, but together we have supported the children with their learning, managed to keep the school open for everyone and stayed safe. I hope you all have a wonderful summer holiday and I look forward to welcoming our EYFS children on Tuesday 7th September for their 'stay and play' session between 1:30pm and 2:30pm and the whole school on Wednesday 8th September.

'Together We Aspire and Together We Achieve'

Denise Woodgate
Headteacher



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OUT OF HOURS

If your child has been in school and 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. Please note that the school will continue to operate an out of hours service until 26th July. If your child tests positive after 27th July, parents and carers should follow contact tracing instructions provided by NHS Test and Trace. For more information see the website: <https://www.nhs.uk/conditions/coronavirus-covid-19/testing-and-tracing/>

HAPPY BIRTHDAY!

Happy Birthday wishes to those who are celebrating their birthday this week:

Lucas, Thomas H and Miss Fargher

And to those celebrating over the holidays:

Hazel, Zoe, Mollie, Alistair, Arthur S, Ruaridh, Claudia, Isabella C, Briony and Miss Cotter!

OUTSTANDING PAYMENTS

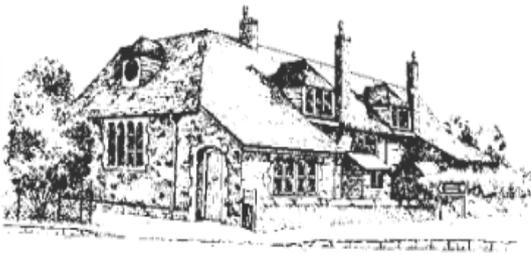
Please can all outstanding payments be made on Schoolmoney before the end of the term. Thank you.

SCHOOL MEALS

From September 2021 school meals will now be at a cost of £2.60.

PARKING

Please can we ask that parents do not block the gate in the car park, this needs to be kept clear for emergencies. Also, please be mindful of resident's driveways when parking to collect or drop off your child.



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YEAR 6 LEAVERS EVENING

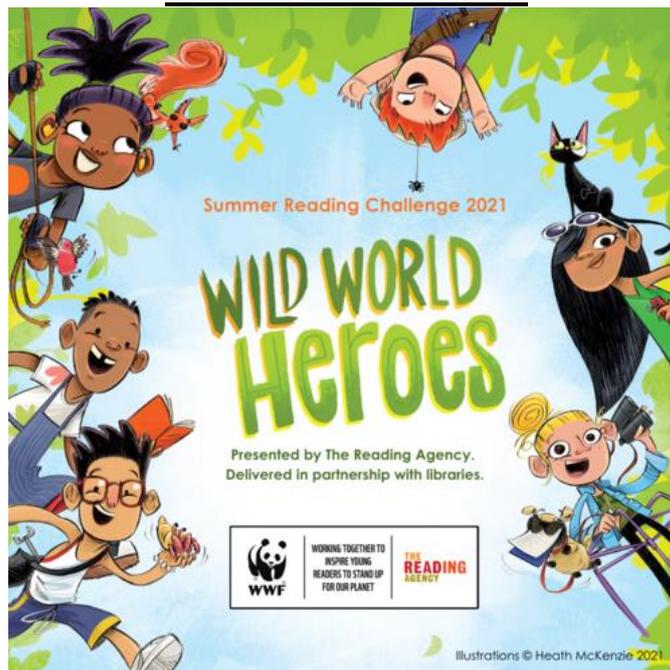
Many thanks to the children, staff and parents who attended the Year 6 Performance and Awards Ceremony, it was a delight to celebrate together. Thank you to those who helped with the catering, drinks, music, decorations, setting out and tidying up. It truly takes a village and together we made it a wonderful, memorable evening.

BOLHAM HOUSE CUP

Congratulations to Lowman who received the most house points this year with 6922 points!

Well done!

SUMMER READING



Devon Libraries are doing their Summer Reading Challenge again this year. Each year the Summer Reading Challenge has a different theme. For 2021, The Reading Agency has partnered with WWF for Wild World Heroes, a nature-themed Challenge that will inspire children to engage with environmental issues.

Visit your local library to find out more or you can follow online, go to

<https://summerreadingchallenge.org.uk/>

Also, we would like to encourage the children to keep on reading at home over the holidays so will be sending extra reading books home with them.

Class 1 children will be able to access online Phonic Bug books at their correct level.



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SUMMER SURVEY

DCC [Summer Term Parents Childcare Survey](#) is now live. This short survey will help the early years and childcare team in Devon County Council to plan and make sure there is enough childcare for parents. The survey is suitable for parents who do not currently use childcare. The poster will be attached to the Bullet email.

LEARNING LEAVES

CLASS 1

Logan Harrison - For his perseverance when tackling the monkey bars on the trim trail. Well done!

Zoe Stevens - For self-correcting her own work when writing with Miss Cotter

CLASS 2

Felix Pickering - Excellent 'a bit of everything' maths work this week.

Lilly Wedgery - For writing and illustrating a lovely nonsense poem.

CLASS 3

Ethan Gale - For being an integral member of Class 3. You always try your best, set a superb example for others. You are a model pupil. Thank you!

Elliott Broadbent - For his positive attitude, enthusiasm and consistently superb effort. We really noticed this in your foodimal and story work. Well done!

CLASS 4

Ruben Mortimore - For his amazing video on his space project, all about aliens and UFO sightings

Jodie Reed - For her brilliant performance in the Year 6 play.

SPECIAL MENTIONS

CLASS 1

Special mention to the whole of Class One for a fantastic, if slightly unusual year!

CLASS 2

Special mention to Class Two for your excellent behaviour for the supply teacher on Monday.

CLASS 3

Special mention to Sienna Hutchings. We've missed you this last week, but we all hope that you have the best summer!

CLASS 4

Special mention to Hugo Lathwell. Everybody in Class 4 would like to wish you every success in your new school.

