

# The Bolham Bullet

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Dear Parents and Carers

Happy New Year to everyone!

I am delighted to inform you that we are all safely back in school and that our absence rate is currently very low. We are aware however that some of our families are suffering from Covid -19 and I would like to reassure everyone that we are working hard within school to keep everyone safe and to remain open. The children are continuing to sanitise their hands regularly throughout the day, the windows are open, staff are wearing masks in communal areas and we are sending out 'warn and inform' letters as soon as we become aware of any positive cases so that you have the opportunity to test your children and watch out for symptoms.

Please note that as from Tuesday 11<sup>th</sup> January that confirmatory PCR tests following a positive lateral flow device (LFD) test result are to be temporarily suspended. This will mean that anyone who receives a positive LFD result will be required to self-isolate immediately and will not be required to take a confirmatory PCR test. Please can I ask that you inform the school as soon as you are aware of any positive tests within your family so that we can take all the necessary precautions to minimise the risk of an outbreak occurring.

Finally, congratulations to Harry, Charlie, Sophia and Bella who have been appointed prefects for this term.

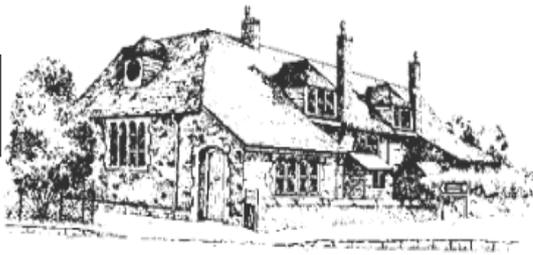
'Together we aspire, together we achieve'

Denise Woodgate

Headteacher

## DIARY DATES

**Flu Immunisations** - 14<sup>th</sup>  
January  
**February Half Term** - 21<sup>st</sup>  
-25<sup>th</sup> February  
**End of Spring Term** - 8<sup>th</sup>  
April  
**Start of Summer Term** -  
25<sup>th</sup> April  
**May Half Term** - 30<sup>th</sup> May  
- 3<sup>rd</sup> June  
**End of Summer Term** -  
22<sup>nd</sup> July



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## REMINDER TO ALL PARENTS - SCHOOL TIMES

We have noticed that some children are arriving to school late and causing a disruption when going in to their class. We would like to remind parents that children should be dropped off to school at 8.45 - please **do not leave your child unsupervised before this time**, as there is no teacher on duty in the playground. The bell rings for morning registration at 8.55am. Please could we ask that parents enter the school grounds via one of the gates in to the playground rather than the school reception area.

Thank you.

## INFORMATION FOR PARENTS

Please can I remind everyone to help us ensure the safety of the children by shutting gates behind them, not using mobile phones on the premises and parking with due care and consideration.

## GREEN TEAM UPDATE

Pre-Covid, Alice and Esme Parker and Holly Chappell raised some money for the Green Team by doing a sponsored run. I have finally been able to spend some of this money for resources for the school.

There are two new compost bins in the school playground, one by the sheds and the other in the small outside area near Class 2 and the raised beds. These are being used at playtimes for the fruit waste. When I am able to get the Green Team to meet, one of our jobs will be to check that the bins are being used correctly (currently I am doing it before school.)

I am also costing some new bins for inside the school to use at lunchtimes (and also throughout the day) so we can recycle more and be more aware of how we can help our environment.

I will let you know when these arrive.

Remember: Small changes can make a big impact.

Mrs Worthington.