

## Bolton on Swale St Mary's Church of England Aided Primary School

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## 'Developing the whole child'

Newsletter Friday 14th February 2020 Our Christian value this term is Love

Thank you for your excellent attendance at our Parent Teacher Consultations. This was a wonderful opportunity to celebrate all your children's hard work in their books and share in their progress and learning. There is a reminder at the end of this newsletter of each Class Assembly date for after half term. Again the children will be sharing highlights from their lessons across the curriculum.

<u>Around the Classes this week</u> Class 1 have been investigating Materials and their properties in Science. Class 2 have studied aerial photographs of London in Geography in preparation for their Great Fire of London History topic. Class 3 have been navigating using the 8 points of the compass and linking this to their North America topic in Geography. Class 4 have been researching the Victorian engineer Isambard Kingdom Brunel. They have also enjoyed hockey outside.













<u>Book Fair thank you</u> A huge thank you to everyone for supporting our book fair this week. A special thank you to James and Edward who volunteered to run our book fair. We raised £206 in commission which will continue to fund the purchase of new books in school. <u>World Book Day vouchers</u> can be used at bookshops between 27th February and 29th March.

<u>A special thank you to Dance Club</u> who performed for the whole school today - a brilliantly choreographed dance from 'The Greatest Showman'.



Class 3 Music lessons with violin and cello We have been very impressed with the instrumental playing in Class 3's music lessons. After half term they will be able to take home their instruments if they would like to.



Free Half term activities at our local libraries
North Yorkshire Rotters - learn about the 3 R's:
reduce, reuse and recycle and make a free
smoothie on the smoothie bike. No need to book,
just drop in. Richmond Library Monday 17th February 11-2pm. Colburn Library
Tuesday 18th February 2.304.30pm. Catterick Library
Wednesday 19th February 112pm.



These have been sent home and new clubs will resume straight after half term. Some clubs were very popular and a waiting list will operate, ready for when they run again after Easter.

## <u>Dress as a book character on Friday 6th</u> <u>March for World Book Day</u>

We will be celebrating World Book Day and our love of reading by dressing as a favourite book character for the day. Your child should come to school in their book character costume and will wear this for the day. Please remember that they still need to be able to play outside at break and lunchtimes. Please can you dress as a character from a book rather than as a Superhero as we will link our costumes to our learning for the day. The children have discussed ideas which are not tricky or expensive; Charlie from 'Charlie and the Chocolate Factory'; Sophie from the 'BFG'; Alex Rider from 'Storm Breaker; a Victorian child from 'Street Child'; Albert from Michael Morpurgo's 'War Horse"; a character from a David Walliam's story; Jack from 'Jack and the Beanstalk'; Hansel or Gretel; even Paddington Bear - were all great ideas.

## Class Assembly date reminders:

Class 1 Thursday 5th March at 9.30am

Class 4 Thursday 12th March at 9.30am

Class 2 Thursday 19th March at 9.30am

Class 3 Thursday 26th March at 9.30am

We finish for half term today. Have a lovely week with your families.

We return to school on Monday 24th February.

Please don't hesitate to contact me with any queries.

Your sincerely, Nicola Dobson







