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'To love, live and learn together'

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Our Christian value this half term is 'Thankfulness'

Sharing our Easter Service with our families, friends and the wider parish



Please click on this link to view our Easter Service through our school website:

<http://bolton-on-swale.n-yorks.sch.uk/>

Our Virtual Easter Service 2021 opens with the children sharing these words: 'Easter is a special time of year. It is a season full of hope and expectation. The children of Bolton-on-Swale St. Mary's are full of hope as we explore again the story of the first Easter and the promise of hope and new life it brings to us all.'

The children and staff wish you and your families a very happy Easter. It has been wonderful having everyone back together as a school community during the past three weeks. Last week we all worked incredibly hard to film our Easter Service ourselves (the Christmas Nativity was filmed professionally!). This week we have continued to explore the story of Holy Week and Easter in our Collective Worship and RE; through stories, music and art. We also had great fun with our Easter activities and these are captured in pictures below.

St Mary's Church Bolton-on-Swale reopens for Easter: You can visit St Mary's Church for private prayer starting next week every Wed, Thurs, Friday from 10am-4pm. Why not call in when you are out for a walk. There will be a **10.30am Easter Sunday Family Holy Communion** at St Mary's, featuring quizzes and puppets— please book your place on the parish website.

Holy Week and Easter Activities Class 1



Class 2 Having fun sharing our decorated eggs and Easter bonnets and hats!



Class 3 Having fun sharing our decorated eggs and Easter bonnets and hats!



Class 4 took charge of our egg rolling challenge!



Thank you to Friends of the School a big thank you to Friends of the School who organised our Easter activity prizes, Easter egg gifts for the children and our Zoom Family Quiz tonight!

Worship Home Resource - Rhythm of Life Holy Week Virtual Pilgrimage

In our Worship during Lent in school, we have been following the resources 'Rhythm of Life' from the Anglican Diocese of Leeds. This shares 7 good habits for flourishing and living well together. Our children have been focussing on different aspects of these habits each day in the context of the story of Holy Week and Easter.

The 7 good habits for living well together are:

Praying, Encouraging, Sharing, Reflecting, Celebrating, Resting, Creating

The link below takes you to a short film for use at home with your child during Holy Week if you would like. It is a short film – about a minute each day starting on Saturday and going through Holy Week and up to Easter Sunday. The children have an activity sheet in their book bags which links with this video. Please encourage them to complete it if they would like to. They can draw pictures, take photos or write about what they have done. You can share it on your return to school.

https://youtu.be/NoFcrf9D7lc?list=PLdgQjY08ysKgrRdt4XZrIfbFV-i_S8AbX

Easter Holiday Club with Shelly's Wrap Around Care Please see details on the next page and book directly with Shelly. There are still some places available.

Easter Holiday Sports Camps with Mike Layfield Further details and how to book are available at:

Easter Services in the Parish A reminder that St Mary's Church Bolton-on-Swale reopens for Easter: You can visit St Mary's Church for private prayer starting next week every Wed, Thurs, Friday from 10am-4pm. Why not call in when you are out for a walk. There will be a **10.30am Easter Sunday Family Holy Communion** at St Mary's, featuring quizzes and puppets– please book your place on the parish website.

There is also a dawn service on Easter Sunday at Easby Abbey and further details of parish services and activities and the service booking form at: <https://www.esbb.co.uk/>

After School Clubs for the Summer Term

We are offering a range of clubs in the summer term to children in Year 1 upwards. Please book these through ParentPay. There is no cost—this is simply a means of reserving your child's place.

Children return to school after the Easter holidays on **Tuesday 13th April**.

All the staff join with me in wishing you a wonderful Easter holiday with your families.

With my very best wishes,

Nicola Dobson

Happy Easter!



Holiday Club!



We are very excited to announce that we will be offering an Easter holiday club. We will be based in Bolton-on-Swale School and only taking children who attend the school. The club will be running on Tuesday and Thursday during both weeks from 8am till 5.30pm. If you are interested in sending your children in, please book in advance, by emailing shellyschildminding7@gmail.com

Availability will be on a first come, first served basis, with key workers being considered first.

Below is a table explaining the sessions available:

Tuesday	Thursday	Morning Session (9-1)	Afternoon session (1-5)	Full Session (8am-5.30)
30/03/21	01/04/21			
06/04/21	08/04/21			

Prices:

Full day (including cereal for breakfast and a snack at 4pm): £36

Half day (including a snack): £17

Activities

Our holiday club will include lots of different activities, utilising the indoor and outdoor space at the school and the beautiful village. A loose example timetable below shows what a typical day will look like:

8-9	Breakfast (if needed) – free flow outside, reading, colouring, HAMA beads etc
9-10	Walk around the village
10-12	A small snack - crafts and board games (free flow to the outdoors)
12-1	Lunch (A packed lunch will need to be provided by yourselves)
1-3	Organised games on the field (football/rounders/water fights etc)
3-3.30	A small snack (I will provide a light snack (sandwich/pizza etc)
3.30-4	Chill out time (children can bring in tech toys if they wish to use them during this time)
4-5.30	Free time – Free flow outdoors, indoor activities (reading/crafts etc)

My daughter, who is a gymnastics coach will be there each day to deliver a session of gymnastics and dance. Your child would need to bring a packed lunch, a water bottle, sensible shoes, sun hat, sun cream, a waterproof coat, and a spare set of clothes. We will provide sugar free drinks and healthy snacks, but