



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

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*'To love, live and learn together'*

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Our Christian value this half term is 'Community'

### Thank you for supporting our Service Community and fundraising for SSAFA on Camo Day

Thank you to everyone who dressed in 'camouflage' wear and supported our Armed Forces. We raised £150 for SSAFA. We all had fun reflecting on how our clothing might camouflage us in different habitats; jungle and rainforest, desert, arctic and polar regions, even wildflower meadows. Pictured below some highlights from our day.



Please see the next page for important date reminders for the last 4 weeks of term

**Diary Dates and events coming up for the rest of this term** We are entering a very busy time in the school calendar. All our key dates have been on the **school website under Parents/Diary Dates** since the start of Summer term. **Reminders and more information below with some new dates also.**

**Changes to swimming days for Y1/2 and Y5/6 for the next 2 weeks:**

Y1/2 will swim on Tuesday 27th June  
Class 3 will swim as normal on Wednesday 28th June  
Class 4 will swim on Thursday 29th June

Y1/2 will swim on Tuesday 4th July  
Class 3 will swim as normal on Wednesday 5th July  
Class 4 will swim on Thursday 6th July

**‘Treachery at Traitor’s Quay’ - our KS2 Summer Musical Production**

**Dress Rehearsal Monday 26th June** when the whole school will watch the performance.

**Tuesday 27th and Wednesday 28th June at 6pm in Scorton Village Hall - KS2 Summer Production ‘Treachery at Traitor’s Quay’** This performance involves all our children in Classes 3 and 4. Class 4 children have the acting parts. Class 3 children form the Choir for this musical performance.

**Tickets for the performance.** Your performance tickets can be booked on Parent Pay. **We are requesting £1 per ticket so that we can make a donation to the village hall and cover performance license costs. You will not receive a physical ticket.**

**Due to hall capacity tickets are limited.** You can book a maximum of 2 tickets per night per family on Parent Pay. Please email us in school if you would like an additional ticket for either night. We will confirm this asap.

**On the evenings of the performance:**

All children need to be in the village hall be **5.45pm**.  
**Class 4 children** will take their costumes home on Monday after the dress rehearsal and should come to the hall dressed in their costume each evening.  
**Class 3 children** should come to the hall wearing black shorts and a plain white t shirt (or school PE shirt ) for the performance evenings.

**Delivering and collecting your child safely for the performances.** The performance lasts approx. 1 hour. If you are not in the audience your child should be delivered to the inside of the hall by 5.45pm and collected from the entrance door just after 7pm.

**Friends of the School are providing refreshments for the audience during the performance.** Children should bring a water bottle.

**Wednesday 28th June Class 1 and 2 Bike Day in school**

**Thursday 29th June Class 3 and 4 Bike Day in school**

Once again we will be holding a bike day in the school grounds for different classes. Class 4 organise this and **children can bring in a bike or scooter for the day. All children need a cycle helmet.** We do have spare helmets and scooters, please speak to your child’s teacher. **These dates are extra to our diary date list on the school website.**

**Friday 30th June Class 4 take part in a Money Minds Workshop with Yorkshire Building Society**

This is a Financial Education Programme to inspire children to learn about money and prepare them for the future. This complements the Young Apprentice Stalls Class 4 are running at our Summer Fair.

**Friday 7th July Year 6 children attend the Annual Leaver’s Service in Ripon Cathedral** for Church Schools in the Diocese.

**Friday 7th July Class 1 and 2 Pirate Day** A new date for the diary. Please come dressed in shorts and t shirt or ‘pirate’ clothes if you have them. We will be making pirate hats as part of the days activities.

**Friday 7th July Last Special Mentions Assembly of term.** Please send in any achievements from outside school you would like us to share.

**Wednesday 12th July Class 1 and 2 Fun Run at Richmond School** More details to follow.

**Wednesday 12th July Summer Music Concert at 6pm in the school hall.** No tickets or booking necessary. You are invited to see your child perform.

(Others are welcome if you would like to share in our music in school).

This is for parents and carers of all children in Class 3 who will play their violin or cello for you. Also for all children who have individual/small group instrumental lessons on piano, violin or cello and for all children who sing in the Choir or attend recorder club.

**A reminder from Mrs Jameson to practice your pieces at home ready for the concert.**

**Music in School** All children have Class music lessons and sing and perform especially in their Class Assemblies, at Harvest, Christmas and Easter and in the KS2 Summer Production.

Children in Class 3 learn the violin or cello for 2 years. If they wish to continue to play after this they will need to request instrumental lessons by contacting me or the office.

All children from Y1 upwards can have violin, piano or cello lessons with Mrs Jameson. There is usually a cost for this. Again please contact me or the office if you would like to know more. If your child will not be continuing instrumental lessons with Mrs Jameson in September please let us know asap.

**Learning other instruments** It may be possible to arrange this through North Yorkshire Music Service. Please contact me.

**Thursday 13th July Current Reception Parent's Consultation Meeting** This is an opportunity to meet with Mrs Reynolds to discuss your child's progress as they reach the end of their first year in school. **Please sign up for a time in the office entrance area or email/phone school.** Appointments are available from 1.15pm to 6.15pm.

**Friday 14th July Summer Fair 1.30pm** All welcome to enjoy our stalls, games, bouncy slide, farm and emergency vehicles and refreshments. **Children in Classes 1 and 2 need to be collected by an adult and taken around the Fair if possible** (if not school staff will escort them). **Children in Classes 3 and 4 will be free to enjoy the Fair supervised by school staff.** Class 4 children will run their Young Apprentice Stalls on team rotas.

**Friends of the School** are busy organising the Summer Fair- more details to follow. Nearer the time we will request raffle prizes, donations of toys, books and cakes. **If you can help to run a stall please contact me or Friends of School.**

**Monday 17th July Teddy Bears Picnic Lunch** Bring your Teddy to school and picnic together with your class. School lunch children will have a special picnic lunch with pre ordered sandwich choice. Packed lunch children may order this also. Details to follow.

**Friends of School Sponsored Walk for June** - forms have gone home. Please return these to school with any money raised **by Friday 30th June** so we can total the miles walked/cycled. Prizes for each year group!

**Friends of school Family Walk on Sunday 2nd July 2pm from school.** All welcome to this free event. Followed by refreshments in school.

**Monday 17th July Open Classroom Drop-in 3.30pm** An opportunity to 'drop in' to your child's new classroom for September and meet their teacher informally.

**Tuesday 18th July 1.30pm Sports Day** All welcome. (Sports Day reserve Wednesday 19th July)

**Friday 21st July Year 6 Leaver's Assembly 2.30pm** in school hall. Parents/carers of Year 6 children welcome.

**End of Year Pupil Reports home:**

**Reception Pupils Reports home on Friday 7th July**

**Year 1 to Year 6 Pupils Reports home on Friday 14th July**

**Friday 21st July Term finishes for the Summer**

**Wednesday 6th September** Children return to school for the Autumn Term

**Shelly's Summer Holiday Club in school** Shelly will once again be running her very popular holiday club in school each Tuesday and Wednesday from 8am to 5pm for the first 4 weeks of the summer holiday. Please book directly with Shelly. Details later in the newsletter. Email: shellyschildminding7@gmail.com

**Before and After School Care in September** Please contact Shelly directly to book your place.

Please see the next page for an overview of learning in each class this week.

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

With my best wishes,

Nicola Dobson

## Around the Classes this week:

**Class 1** have been learning to tell the time in Maths. In English they have enjoyed reading the fiction book, 'The Storm Whale'. They have also researched lots of fact about whales and other sea creatures and produced non-fiction writing. In Science they have repotted their tomatoes and made observations about their growth. Reception children have explored being part of a Community in RE. We are all continuing to work hard with our Reading and Phonics.

**Class 2** have focused on position and direction in Maths; forwards, backwards, left, right, anti clockwise, clockwise, 1/4 and 1/2 turns. In English they have enjoyed writing their own versions of the familiar story, 'Peace at Last'. In RE Year 1 and Year 2 children all worked together to reflect on the Parable of The Good Samaritan and what this tells us about kindness to others. In Science they continue to monitor the growth of their tomato plants. In Computing they have developed programming skills using Scratch to give commands.

**Class 3** are preparing to write a newspaper report in English. They have enjoyed hot seating some witnesses. In Maths they have been telling the time to 5 minutes and to the minute. In RE they explored the qualities Jesus was looking for in a disciple. In Music they are rehearsing for their cello and violin performances to parents and carers at the Summer Music Concert on Wednesday 12th July. They have also been rehearsing all the songs with Class 4 for the Summer Production, Treachery at Traitor's Quay.

**Class 4** have been working very hard on practices for their Summer Production; developing expression and actions to create drama. They have also perfected some great two part singing. In History they have considered who was the better explorer, Shackleton or Cook. They enjoyed debating and recording their thoughts.

Photos from around school this week:



## **Holiday Club!**

We will be offering a summer holiday club based in Bolton-on-Swale School. The club will be running on Tuesday and Wednesday from 8am till 5pm. If you are interested in sending your children, please book in advance, by emailing [shellyschildminding7@gmail.com](mailto:shellyschildminding7@gmail.com)



### **Dates of the club**

Tuesday	Wednesday
25/07/23	26/07/23
01/08/23	02/08/23
08/08/23	09/08/23
15/08/23	16/08/23

### **Prices:**

Full day £36

Half day 4.5 hours £18

### **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/wraps etc)
3.30-4	Chill out time (children can bring in tech toys if they wish to use them during this time for a limited amount of time)
4-5	Free time – Free flow outdoors, indoor activities (reading/crafts etc)

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 feel free to bring your own too. If they have a scooter/bike, they can bring it in to use on the playground, please bring a helmet.

Please email to book your places! [shellyschildminding7@gmail.com](mailto:shellyschildminding7@gmail.com)

Thank you, Shelly, Ann, and Cally