



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

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'To love, live and learn together'

Newsletter Friday 18th October 2024

Our Christian value this half term is 'Respect'

A huge thank you for all your support during a very busy time in school. In everything our children have taken part in recently they have been total superstars with wonderful behaviour, great knowledge, fantastic manners and huge amounts of kindness and support for one another. We are so proud of them.

Highlights in photos: Year 1 and 2 children enjoyed a wonderful wedding celebration at St Mary's Church supported by our new vicar, Rev Simon. You will meet him at our Harvest Festival this Friday 25th October at 2pm in St Mary's Church. All welcome to share in the service led by all our children.



Class 1 children performed an excellent Parental Assembly to parents, carers and the rest of school All the children sang, played their instruments, shared their work and spoke so confidently to their audiences.



Class 3 children enjoyed a brilliant Stone Age drama morning They recalled all they had already learnt about this period in history and then used it to enhance their role play and to further their knowledge. Thank you for the great costumes too! We had a lot of fun with our resident archaeologist.



Class 4 had an excellent day at Eden Camp Second World War Museum This supported their History work as they explored the themed areas: Life on the Home Front; the D Day landings; the Battle of Britain.



Sporting teams Well done to our Y3/4 Girls Football Team and our Y5/6 Netball Team for representing our school so positively in recent tournaments.





Thank you to Daisy and Annabelle for fundraising with their amazing cake sale for the Little Princess Trust Charity. Thank you for your support also. We all enjoyed the delicious cakes.

Date Reminders below:

Key dates can also be found on our school website diary dates.

Parent Teacher Consultations

Tuesday 22nd October: Parent Teacher Consultations for Year 1 (Class 1) and Classes 2, 3, and 4 from 3.45pm to 6.30pm.

Wednesday 23rd October: Parent Teacher Consultations for Reception children in Class 1, Classes 2, 3, and 4 from 3.45pm to 6.30pm.

Booking forms for these are in the office entrance area. You may ring/email to make an appointment also.

School Council Harvest Festival Farm Africa Competition The children took home information about this in book bags on Friday. Make a Harvest picture or model out of recycled or natural materials. **Please bring in your entries on Wednesday with a £1 donation to Farm Africa.**

Bags2School has been moved to Wednesday 23rd October-please bring clothing donations and leave outside the school office by 9am. We have limited storage before then.

Friends of the School Halloween Disco: Thursday 24th October: A fun opportunity to dress up if you would like to, dance and play games. For £3 children receive a drink, ice pop and glow stick. **Parents/carers must accompany all children. Class 1 and 2 6-7pm. Class 3 and 4 7.15pm-8.15pm. Please reserve your child's place on Parent Pay.**

Friday 25th October School photographs - each child will have their photo taken and siblings in school will also be photographed together. Details will then be sent home.

Friday 25th October: School Harvest Festival Service 2pm in St Mary's Church, Bolton-on-Swale. All the children will take part in this service; singing, leading drama, prayers and readings. Parents, carers and friends are welcome to join us.

Friends of the School Harvest Refreshments: Following the Harvest Festival Service the children will walk back to school with their classes. Parents, carers and friends are welcome to join us in the school hall for refreshments before collecting the children at 3.30pm home time.

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Reception New Starters for 2025 Mrs Dobson conducts individual tours of school. Please do contact us.

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Please do not hesitate to contact me if you have any queries.

With my best wishes, Nicola Dobson

