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'To love, live and learn together'

Newsletter Friday 20th June 2025

Our Christian value this half term is 'Community'

Enjoying educational visits to enrich our learning Class 3 and 4 had a wonderful visit to Whitby; Class 3 visited the Lifeboat Station, St Mary's Church and Whitby Abbey. Class 4 focussed on explorers especially Captain Cook and visited Whitby Museum. They also completed field work and sketch maps looking at land use and geographical features in Whitby. Class 1 visited Foxglove Nature Reserve and loved their pond dipping, mini beast hunt and habitat walk. Class 2 will visit on Wednesday 25th June. Highlights are captured below and in later pages of the newsletter.



Raise the Roof' Funding for our new school roof

As you will be aware we have been successful in securing a grant from the DfE and Diocese of Leeds for a much needed new school roof. This replaces the original roof dating back to when the school was built 50 years ago. The total cost is £227,000. The whole project from going out to tender and managing the work is completed for us by the DfE and Diocese. **As a school we need to make a contribution of £10,000.** We expect the roof to be completed over the summer holidays this year. **A huge thank you to Friends of School and all our children and parents for making a great start with fundraising.**

Raise the Roof 2025 - £20.25 May Challenge!

A huge thank you to everyone who has risen to the challenge and has been busy fundraising.

Any amount you can raise will be gratefully received. Thank you to everyone who has completed their challenge and uploaded their money to either of the Just Giving pages below or brought cash/cheques into school: www.justgiving.com/page/raisetherooft2025challenge

<https://www.justgiving.com/page/raisetherooft25>

You can also read about some great fundraising efforts: ju-jitsu rolls, walk around Scorton Lakes, park runs, climbing Roseberry Topping, bike rides, cake and cookie baking, loom bands, window cleaning, art work, dog walking, kayaking, car washing, sponsored silence!

Donations from our local community and individuals

We are also hugely grateful to those who have donated directly to school and via our generic Just Giving page.

Friends of the School 'Raise the Roof' Fundraising Ball Saturday 20th September

This is a charity ball in the beautiful setting of Pepper Arden Hall to raise money for our new school roof. It promises to be a wonderful evening. There is a drinks reception, 3 course sit down meal, casino and dancing. There are only a few tickets left! Corporate sponsorship opportunities are available to enable local businesses to show their support. Please contact: foscally@outlook.com for further information, to buy tickets or for sponsorship details.

New Outdoor Classroom You will have seen concrete foundations being laid this week at the front of school for our new outdoor classroom. This is being funded by a DfE Wrap Around Care grant and time given voluntarily by very generous parents and former parents. It will provide additional space for Shelly's Wrap Around Care and for groups during the school day.

New Outdoor Classroom thank you We have worked hard with Shelly to secure this grant. A massive thank you to Rob and Laura Booth, Joe Peacock, Mark Long, and Mark Glass for their donations of materials, skills and professional time to make our outdoor classroom affordable.

Eco Plastic Bottle Greenhouse renovation Thank you to Maisie and Edward Wilson and their Dad who have worked hard at weekends to renovate our unique greenhouse. The Eco team are enjoying growing lettuces and tomatoes.

Dates and activities coming up (please check Parents/ Dairy dates on our website also).

Wed 25th June: Class 2 visit to Foxglove Covert Nature Reserve

Wed 25th June and Thurs 26th June 6pm: Class 3 and 4 Summer Production Performance of 'Cinderella Rockerfella' in Scorton Village Hall

Fri 27th June: Year 1 and 2 Fun Run at Richmond School

Fri 4th July: Y6 Leavers Service Ripon Cathedral

Fri 4th July: Pirate Day for Class 1 and 2; dress as a pirate

Wed 9th July 6pm: Music Concert in school for all Class 3, Choir, Recorders, children who have instrumental lessons

Fri 11th July 1.30pm Summer Fair: Parents/friends welcome

Mon 14th July: Teddy Bear's Picnic Lunch; bring your bear/ soft toy to school

Mon 14th July 3.30pm: Open Classroom drop in; visit your new classroom and teacher for September

Tues 15th July 1.30pm Sports Day: Parents/Carers welcome

(Wed 15th July 1.30pm: Sports Day reserve

Fri 18th July 2.30pm: Leavers Assembly (Y6 parents/carers invited)

Summer Production in Scorton Village Hall 'Cinderella Rockerfella' on Wednesday 25th and Thursday 26th

June at 6pm Children in Class 3 and 4 should be at the hall by **5.50pm**. Class 3 children wear plain white/PE t shirts and black/navy shorts. Class 4 children come to the hall in their costumes. Tickets can be purchased for £1 (to cover costs) on Parent Pay. The whole school will watch the dress rehearsal on Monday afternoon 23rd June.

Parish News

Confirmation: Rev Simon Dowson will be preparing children (current Y4,5,6) and adults for Confirmation (see email sent for details). Please contact Rev Simon by email for details: simon.dowson@leeds.anglican.org

Outdoor Service and Family Picnic 11am Sunday 6th July at St Mary's Church, Bolton-on-Swale. All welcome.

Please do not hesitate to contact me if you have any queries. With my best wishes, Nicola Dobson

Camo Day-supporting the Armed Forces Charity SSAFA and raising £112 We all had fun on our non uniform day on Friday, wearing our own clothes, camouflage and camo clothes. Thank you for donating to SSAFA on our Just giving page. There is still time to donate: https://www.justgiving.com/page/bolton-on-swale-st-marys-ce-primary-school-2?utm_medium=FR&utm_source=EM&utm_campaign=015



Highlights from Class 1's visit to Foxglove Covert Nature Reserve below





BOLTON-ON- SWALE FRIENDS OF SCHOOL
PRESENT

RAISE *the* ROOF BALL

JOIN US IN FUNDRAISING FOR THE NEW
SCHOOL ROOF

3 COURSE MEAL - CASINO - DJ & DANCING

SATURDAY | 20 | SEPTEMBER

PEPPER ARDEN HALL

DINNER + DANCING TICKETS (FROM 6.00PM) - £85
AFTER DINNER TICKETS (FROM 8.30PM) - £30

TO PURCHASE TICKETS CONTACT:
FOSCALLY@OUTLOOK.COM



Holiday Club 2025 Bolton-on-Swale St Mary's Primary School

We will be offering a holiday club during **the first 2 weeks of the summer holiday 2025**

Holiday club is 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



Dates of the club

Tuesday	Wednesday
22/07/25	23/07/25
29/07/25	30/07/25

Please book early as numbers are limited

Prices:

£40 per child per day

Payment will need to be made on confirmation of booking.

Activities

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

8-9	Breakfast (if needed) – free flow outside, reading, colouring, HAMA beads, crafts, games
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 play)
3-3.30	A small snack (we will provide a light snack (sandwich/wraps)
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)

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 water 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

Thank you, Shelly.