



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 'Hope'

Congratulations to Classes 1 and 2 on their 'Born in a Barn' Nativity Performances

A huge well done to all the children in Classes 1 and 2 who performed for their parents this week. It was wonderful to be able to share our Nativity with you 'in person' this year. Thank you for supporting with their costumes and the learning of lines and songs. Many thanks to the Class 1 and 2 staff who worked hard to make this possible. Some highlights are captured here from the dress rehearsal and we hope to upload more photos to our website gallery.





Friends of the School Christmas Fundraising Raffle - thank you

Many thanks for all your generous donations for our Christmas Raffle Hampers. The raffle was drawn with the children in Special Mentions Assembly on Friday. There were 25 wonderful prizes including hampers and gift vouchers kindly donated by local businesses. Most lucky winners took their prizes home on Friday and the two remaining winners will be contacted next week. The raffle raised approx. £650 (final total to follow) to support our children in school. Thank you to the everyone who wrapped hampers, requested donations and sorted tickets. Friends of the School will be funding the class Christmas parties; food, gifts and prizes next week.



Friends of the School Facebook page This has been set up by the new Committee to help with the publicity of events. It will not include any photographs of children but will help everyone to keep in touch. To join this private group please search Bolton-on-Swale Friends of School and request to be added.

Diary Dates till the end of term

Christmas Parties and visit from Father Christmas

Classes 1 and 2 will have their party on the afternoon of Tuesday 14th December

Father Christmas will also visit school on Tuesday afternoon and bring gifts for all the children. Father Christmas will arrive at 1pm on a specially commissioned tractor, after parking his sleigh at the Booth's Farm. Children in Class 4 will decorate the Peace Garden once again.

Classes 3 and 4 will have their party on the afternoon of Wednesday 15th December

Party Food This year our party food will be made by our wonderful kitchen staff. Funds raised by you as parents through Friends of the School will pay for the food.

Party Clothes This year we ask you to come dressed in the morning for your party. This means you may need to adapt your party clothes to ensure you can spend the whole day in them and still play out at break and lunch times.

Children in Classes 1 and 2 should wear party clothes to school on Tuesday 14th December.

Children in Classes 3 and 4 should wear party clothes to school on Wednesday 15th December.

School Christmas Lunch for the whole school We will enjoy sharing our Christmas lunch together on **Thursday 16th December.**

Carol Service in St Mary's Church led by Classes 3 and 4 with all the children attending. **Friday 17th December 2pm.**

Carol Service Attendance We will let you know if parents will be able to join us in St Mary's Church on Friday once we have updated our risk assessment.

Friday 17th December early school finish for Christmas at 3pm. Please collect your child early from school once they have returned from the Carol Service/

Christmas Eve Friday 24th December 3pm in St Mary's Church, Bolton-on-Swale, Parish Crib Service. Traditionally children dress as a Nativity character, if they would like to.

Return to school Wednesday 5th January 2022

Parish Christmas cards Please see the flier at the end of the newsletter. Cards featuring St Mary's Church Bolton-on-Swale and St Paul's Church Brompton-on-Swale are being sold in aid of the new building at St Paul's.

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

With my best wishes,

Nicola Dobson

St Paul's Link

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community groups etc?

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