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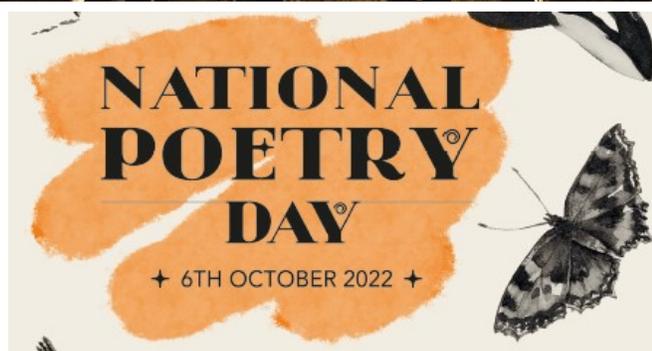
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*'To love, live and learn together'*

Newsletter Friday 30th September 2022 Our Christian value this half term is 'Respect'

**Celebrating our love of reading with a visit from North Yorkshire Library Service** We were delighted to welcome the library service to our school last week. They presented children with certificates for their completion of the Library Summer Reading Challenge. We shared our favourite authors and celebrated some new books we have already bought for school. We reminded everyone to visit their local library; Catterick, Richmond, Northallerton. Here you can get a library card for free and borrow lots of exciting books - all for free!



### National Poetry Day Thursday 6th October

In celebration of our love of poetry each child is asked to learn an age appropriate poem and share it with their class next Thursday. For our youngest children this could be a nursery rhyme, whilst older children might want to challenge themselves. We have lots of poetry books in our library to inspire you. Please ask to borrow one.

### Harvest time in the fields around school this week.

We all loved watching the forage harvester, tractor and trailer cutting the maize in the fields around school. Pictured here are our Reception children, many of whom are already very knowledgeable about farm machinery.

**Design a welly competition to raise money for our Harvest Charity, Farm Africa** School Council would like to support the Charity Farm Africa this Harvest with their design a welly competition (in book bags tonight). Closing date is Friday 14th October. Please donate £1 to enter.



### **Friends of School Bags2School Fundraiser**

Please see the information leaflet in your child's bag tonight. Please use your own bags to recycle clothing, paired shoes, handbags- see leaflet for details. Bags are weighed and school is paid for the total weight collected. **Please bring items to school on Wednesday 5th October by 9am. Please put the bags outside the main school entrance.**

**Friends of School Auction of Promises** Please see the attached letter, also in book bags tonight, encouraging everyone to take part in this great fundraising event. Friends of School are raising money to update our books across school.

### **Diary dates this half term:**

**Cross Country Competition for selected KS2 children (max 5 per year group)** on Tuesday 4th October. Children who will be competing have received letters with details.

**Y5/6 Boys Football Tournament** Thursday 6th October. Boys taking part have received letters with details.

**Y5/6 Girls Football Tournament Thursday 13th October** Girls taking part have received letters with details.

### **Reception Parental Consultations Tuesday afternoon 11th October from 1.30-6pm.**

Parents of Reception children can book an appointment with Mrs Reynolds by signing up for a time in the office entrance area or by emailing/ phoning the office on [admin@bolton-on-swale.n-yorks.sch.uk](mailto:admin@bolton-on-swale.n-yorks.sch.uk) from Monday 3rd October.

### **Parental Consultations for Year 1 to Year 6 on either Tuesday 18th or Wednesday 19th**

**October 3.45pm to 6.30pm.** You will be able to sign up for an appointment with your child's class teacher from Monday 10th October. Sign up in the office entrance area or by phoning/emailing the office. (please note Mrs Reynolds will only be available on Tuesday 18th October for her Y1 children). You will also have an opportunity to look at your child's books.

### **Class 1 Parental Assembly Friday 14th**

**October at 9.30am** Parents and carers of children in Class 1 are invited to join us in the school hall from 9.30am. The children of Class 1 will share their learning with their parents and carers.

**Date reminder: Whole School Harvest Festival in St Mary's Church Bolton-on-Swale 2pm Friday 21st October** The children from all classes will be leading this service. Everyone is very welcome to join us.

**Flu Immunisation for all children—reminder to complete the consent form online.** This will be offered in school on Thursday 13th October to all children providing you complete the consent form emailed to you by Mrs Newton. Please ask if you need help.

**Parent Governor Vacancy** We have one vacancy on our Governing Body for a parent governor. This is an important voluntary role and the letter sent to all parents by email with this newsletter outlines the areas of responsibility. Equally, please do contact me for an informal conversation about what this involves. **Closing date for nominations is Friday 7th October.**

**School lunch—Fish and Chip Friday extra** if your child would like school lunch on a Friday only, please email Mrs Newton in the office on [admin@bolton-on-swale.n-yorks.sch.uk](mailto:admin@bolton-on-swale.n-yorks.sch.uk) (cost for KS2 only is £3, payable on Parent Pay; Class 1 and 2 children are free).

**Shelly's Wrap Around Care October Half Term Holiday Club** will run in school on Tuesday 25th and Wednesday 26th October. Please see booking details in the letter sent by email with this newsletter. This is run on the school site and is always lots of fun! Please book directly with Shelly.

**Parish News** Everyone is welcome to St Mary's Church Bolton-on-Swale, at 10.30am on the first Sunday of every month, for a Worship 4 All service which is suitable for children of all ages. It includes activities for children and is followed by refreshments.

To receive Parish News directly to your email box, including service reminders please go the parish website and scroll to the bottom of the page to make your request. [www.esbb.co.uk](http://www.esbb.co.uk)

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

With my best wishes,

Nicola Dobson

**Please see highlights and learning in each class this week on the next pages.**

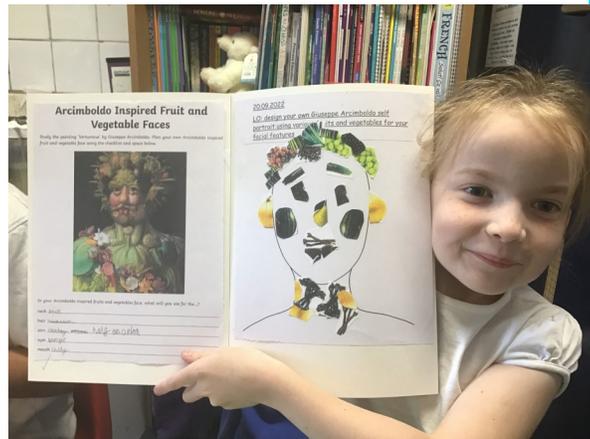
**This week in Class 1** we have continued with our Science work on seasonal change and autumn. We have learnt about adult and baby animals and the life cycle of a butterfly. We have explored rhythm in music and enjoyed singing and number rhymes. Our Year 1 children had a great time at the Multi skills Festival at Richmond School. In RE our Y1 children looked at symbols of Christianity and Judaism. Mrs Reynolds is pleased with our number work and maths. We have been ordering and sequencing and finding one more than a given number.



**This week in Class 2** Mrs Smith and Mrs Dutton have had another great week with Class 2. In Science we have looked at life cycles of animals and humans. We thoroughly enjoyed our Multiskills Festival at Richmond School. In our RE work we have looked at symbols of Christianity and Judaism. In computing we have explored programming with Beebot online. In art we have produced portraits inspired by the artist Picasso and his cubist style.



**This week in Class 3** we have worked hard in Maths, comparing and ordering numbers to 1,000 and 10,000. We have also learnt Roman Numerals. In English we are really enjoying our Class reader, 'The Boy with the Bronze Axe'. In Science our work on Electricity has involved us making circuits and identifying and naming the key components. In Art we have created faces in the style of the artist Giuseppe Arcimboldo. In RE we have explored the wonderful aspects of creation inspired by the song, 'What a wonderful World' by Louis Armstrong and linked this to the account in Genesis of the Creation story.



**This week in Class 4** in Maths, we have focussed on sequencing numbers to 1,000,000. In English we have been reading and analysing WWII Diary entries from the Battle of Britain. In History our focus of discussion has been Winston Churchill's leadership style and his impact on the British public. In PE we have been practicing our dribbling and passing skills in Football, as well as designing and delivering a Warm-Up activity. In Music we have explored syncopated rhythm patterns as part of our Space theme.

