

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

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*'To love, live and learn together'*

Newsletter Friday 4th November 2022 Our Christian value this half term is 'Peace'

**Thank you for supporting our Harvest Festival in St Mary's Church** A huge thank you to everyone who shared in our Harvest Festival celebrations before half term. School Council helped us to support the charity, 'Farm Africa' and we raised £130. Thank you also for the generous donations to the Richmond Food Bank and to the parish, 'Open Pantry'. **Open Pantry is operated by the parishes. Anyone in need is welcome to visit St Mary's Church, Bolton-on-Swale between 9.00am and 3pm on a daily basis, where there are supplies of tinned food freely available.**



**Performing at the North Yorkshire Annual Remembrance Service for Service Pupils in Ripon Cathedral** We were delighted to be invited once again, to sing the opening hymn at this service. You can watch our performance by searching: 'Ripon Cathedral Service to Remember' or by following this link. [Ripon Cathedral - YouTube](#). We are very proud of all the children who represented our school so well.



**Friends of School Auction of Promises has gone live!** Please have a look and place your bids at: <https://www.jumblebee.co.uk/boltononswaleprimaryschool> All money raised is funding new reading and library books for school. Thank you to Friends of the School for organising this and to everyone who has made donations for the lots.

**Halloween Disco thanks** Thank you to Friends of School and everyone who shared in helping to make this event lots of fun for the children.

### **School Governor updates**

**Parent Governor** Following our election our new Parent Governor is **Claire Garbutt**. Claire is parent of Beatrice in Year 1 and brings a wealth of educational experience to our governing body.

**Foundation Governor** As a Church of England Aided School we also have the benefit of Foundation Governors who are nominated by the Parish, Deanery or Diocese to support the school and in particular its Christian foundation, ethos and values. **Andrea Seward** has been appointed as new Foundation Governor by the Parish. Andrea is parent of James in Year 1, worships in the parish and has a strong background in social work and education.

**Act of Remembrance** We will hold our own Act of Remembrance this Friday 11th November at 11.00am. We welcome Ruth Booth, one of our parents, who will play The Last Post and Reveille on her cornet. School Council will be selling poppies in school this week. Children may bring in a donation for their poppy.

### **PE Kit days this half term**

As the weather changes and we move indoors for more of our PE, we have timetabled the following:

**Class 1 wear PE Kit Tuesday and Thursday**  
**Class 2 wear PE Kit Tuesday and Friday**  
**Classes 3 & 4 wear PE Kit Tuesday and Wed.**

### **Autumn outdoor clothing**

**Waterproof over trousers and wellies or trainers** (you are happy to get muddy) are needed if your child would like to play on the field.  
**Indoor footwear** A reminder that our classrooms are carpeted and all children need clean shoes/plimsolls they can wear indoors.

### **Diary Dates this half term**

A full list of diary dates and term dates for the year are on our website.

#### **Reminders:**

**Class 2 Parental Assembly** Thursday 10th November 9.30am. All parents and carers from Class 2 are welcome. Please enter the hall through the playground.

**Class 3 Parental Assembly** date tbc

**Class 4 Parental Assembly** Thursday 24th November 9.30am

**Class 1 and 2 Christmas Nativity Performances** Monday 5th December and Tuesday 6th December at 2pm. Details for tickets to follow.

**Class 1 and 2 Christmas Party and visit to school from Father Christmas** Tuesday 13th December pm  
**Class 3 and 4 Christmas Party** Wednesday 14th December pm.

**Whole School Christmas Lunch** Thursday 15th December.

**Whole School Christmas Carol Service led by Class 3 and 4 in St Mary's Church** Friday 16th December 2pm. All welcome. **Finish term for Christmas 3pm.**

**Return to school** Wednesday 4th January

**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 to 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.

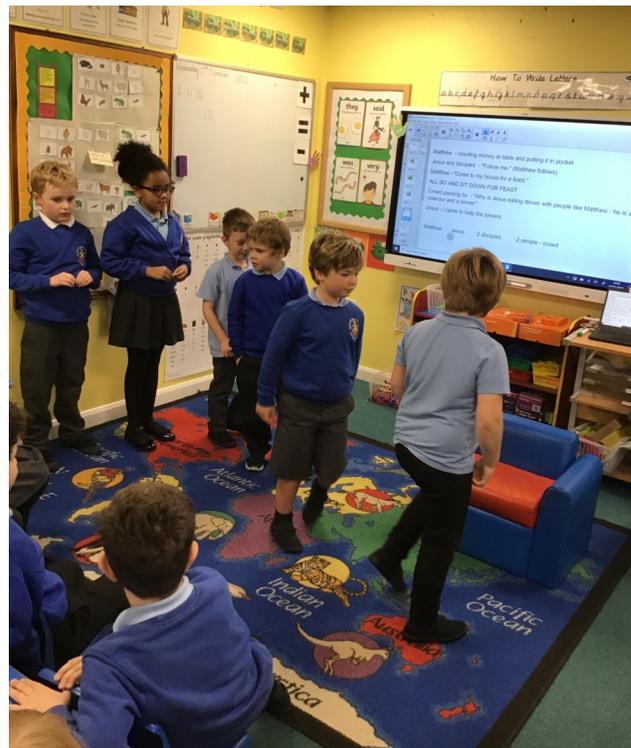
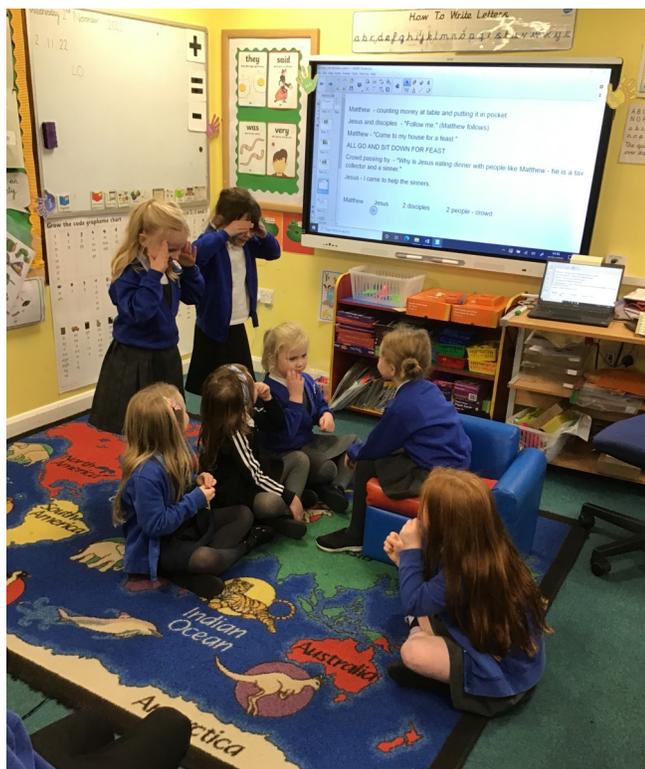
With my best wishes, Nicola Dobson

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

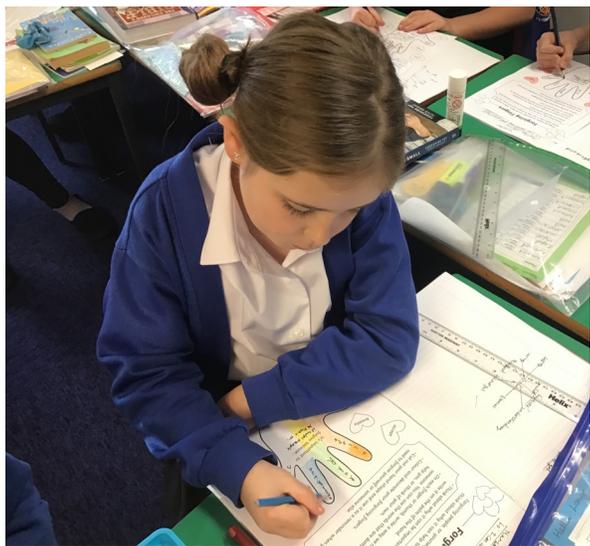
**This week in Class 1** we have worked hard on our phonics and reading and have enjoyed creative work linked to fireworks. We have also learnt about firework safety. Year 1 children have been partitioning numbers in Maths. We have enjoyed role play in our new Vets and had fun at break times in the autumn leaves with our friends and Year 6 buddies.



**This week in Class 2** we have been writing instructions for how to keep safe near fireworks. In Maths we have been partitioning and working on number bonds to 10. In Science we carried out an investigation into our hand span sizes. Both Year 1 and Year 2 children from Class 1 and 2 share their RE lessons and worked on drama linked to the story of Jesus choosing Matthew to be a disciple. In Computing we inserted an image into Word. In Art we worked on portraits inspired by the artist Andy Warhol.



**This week in Class 3** we have enjoyed our History work on the stone age and researched life in a stone age village at Skara Brae. In English we have written descriptions of the Woolly Mammoth and instructions based on the text 'How to Wash a Mammoth'. In Maths we have worked on column subtraction and recall of our Times Tables. In RE we reflected on what is meant by forgiveness and linked this to the creation story. In PE we enjoyed basketball and Dance and in Music we started a new unit on 'Blues' music.



**This week in Class 4** we enjoyed an excellent visit to Eden Camp Modern History Museum where we stepped back in time to the years of the Second World War. We created art work to commemorate Her Majesty the Queen and her contribution to the Armed Forces and prepared for our visit to Ripon Cathedral. We performed our remembrance song to open the Service Pupils Remembrance Service. We also studied art work on display in the Cathedral linked to the story of creation in Genesis and our RE work on Science and Creation.

