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Dear Parents and Carers,

Star Awards for Inspiring

Well done to our star award winners this week for demonstrating our value of Inspiring. Huge well done to Brody, Charlie, Lola, Hunter and Esme.

JAM Sessions

Our JAM sessions at Bolton Church continue to be very popular with our younger children. They have thoroughly enjoyed the fun activities, songs, stories, and time spent together. It has been wonderful to see the children's enthusiasm each session, and we are grateful to all the volunteers who help make these sessions such a success - Thank you to Stephen and Rowan.

Wizard of Oz Performances

What a fantastic way to end the school year! We are incredibly proud of all of our children for their amazing performances in The Wizard of Oz. Their confidence, enthusiasm and talent shone through, and they truly entertained everyone who came to watch. A huge thank you to our dedicated staff for all of their hard work behind the scenes, and to our families for supporting the children as they learned their lines, songs and dances. Your encouragement makes such a difference. The smiles, applause and positive feedback from audiences made all of the children's hard work worthwhile. Thank you for helping to make this year's summer performance such a memorable occasion. We hope you enjoyed it as much as we did!

Year 6 Picnic

Our Year 6 Bring and Share Picnic was a wonderful way to celebrate the children's time at Bolton Primary School. It was lovely to spend time together with pupils and staff. Thank you to everyone who contributed.

Year 6 Leavers' Assembly

Our Year 6 Leavers' Assembly was a wonderful celebration of our pupils as they reached the end of their primary school journey. Filled with laughter, memories and a few tears, it was a fitting way to reflect on their time at Bolton Primary School and celebrate all they have achieved. We are incredibly proud of each and every one of them and wish them the very best as they begin their next adventure at secondary school. Good luck, Year 6, we know you'll continue to make us proud!

Reports

End of year reports will be sent home today. These reports celebrate your child's achievements and progress throughout the year.

If you have any questions or would like to discuss any aspect of your child's report, please do not hesitate to speak to your child's teacher, who will be happy to help.

Rocksteady Concert

Our Rocksteady bands put on a fantastic concert, showcasing the skills and confidence they have developed throughout the year. It was wonderful to see the children performing with such enthusiasm and enjoying every moment. A huge thank you to all the families who came along to support them. If your child is interested in learning more about Rocksteady and taking part next year, please speak to the school office.

Dance for Diabetes!

Thank you to everyone who supported our Dance for Diabetes fundraiser. Thanks to the incredible generosity of our pupils, families and community, we raised an amazing £1,175. £705 for Diabetes Research and Wellness Foundation and £470 for school. The children had a fantastic time taking part, and we are incredibly proud of them. Thank you for helping us make such a positive difference and for raising awareness of children and adults living with diabetes. Our top 3 fundraisers were Charlotte, Charlie and Benji - raising an incredible £670 between them.

Clubs for next year

Although the summer holidays are almost here, we are already busy planning our after-school care provision and sports clubs for Autumn 2026. Our after-school care provision will begin on Wednesday 2nd September, please book by contacting school. Details of sports clubs will be shared with families before the start of term.

Emails / Communication

We have been made aware that some emails sent from Arbor, our school communication system, are being delivered to Junk or Spam folders rather than appearing in inboxes. To ensure you do not miss any important updates, messages, trip information, attendance notifications, or school announcements, please: Check your Junk/Spam folder regularly. Mark Arbor emails as "Not Junk" if they have been filtered incorrectly. Add Arbor email addresses to your contacts or safe senders list. Thank you for your support in helping us maintain effective communication with all families.

Arbor Text Messages

Text messages are used as a quick way to send reminders to parents about upcoming events. Please do not respond directly to these texts, as these do not come through to a mobile system and will not be responded to. If you need to contact the school and expect a response, you should email admin@bolton.cumbria.sch.uk



As we reach the end of another busy and successful school year, I would like to take a moment to reflect on what has been a very special year for me personally, my first year as Headteacher. I would like to sincerely thank you all for helping to make my first year such a rewarding experience.

This year has been filled with so many memorable moments. I have been continually impressed by the enthusiasm, resilience, and achievements of our children, whether in the classroom, on the sports field, through performances, educational visits, or the many other opportunities they have embraced. It has been a joy to watch them grow in confidence, develop new skills, and demonstrate our school values every day.

I would also like to recognise the dedication and commitment of our staff. Their hard work, passion, and care for every child ensure that our school remains a place where children can thrive, feel valued, and achieve their very best.

To our parents and carers, thank you for your ongoing support and partnership. The strong relationship between home and school plays a crucial role in children's success, and I am grateful for the encouragement, trust, and positive engagement you have shown throughout the year.

As we look ahead, I am excited about the future. Together, we will continue to build on the strengths of our school, striving to provide the very best experiences and outcomes for every child.

For now, I hope that you all enjoy a well-deserved summer break filled with rest, fun, and special family time. To our Year 6 pupils who are moving on to the next stage of their education, we wish you every success and happiness in the future. You will always remain a valued part of our school family.

Thank you once again for making my first year as Headteacher such a memorable one. I look forward to welcoming everyone back in September for another exciting year ahead.

Wishing you all a safe, happy, and relaxing summer.

Yours Sincerely,
Debbie Tinkler, head@bolton.cumbria.sch.uk

Summer 2026/Autumn 2026 Diary Dates and Key Information

Don't forget to sync the school calendar to your phone from our website!

This page will be updated each week.

Date	Who	Time	Information
17/07/26	All	2pm	Non-uniform £1 suggested donation for NSPCC End of Summer Term - Early Finish Children can bring a small toy from home for the day
17/07/26	All	5pm	BFA end of term BBQ - save the date! Remember to bring your salad or your desert A-G salad and H-Z desert BFA Summer BBQ - 17 July 2026 - Fill in form

Looking to next year 26/27

Date	Who	Time	Information
01/09/26	Teachers		INSET Day
02/09/26	All	All day	Start of the Autumn Term
17/09/26	KS2 Selected	3:30pm	Morland Football and Netball Tournament Teams TBC
24/09/26	Y5/6 (Current Y4/5)	All day	History trip to York to visit the Jorvik Centre and Dig York to enhance our unit of work on the Vikings. Further information to follow in the Autumn term.