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## Newsletter: Thursday 12<sup>th</sup> March 2026

Dear Parents and Carers,

### Star Awards for Respect

Well done to our star award winners last week for demonstrating our value of Respect. Huge well done to Hugo, Olly, Harry, Charlie, Lola, Wilson and Evie. It has been wonderful to see children showing respect towards each other, adults in school and for our school environment.

### Golden Diners Table

Well done to our lucky golden diners last week - William, Eryn, Barnaby and Bobby. Super manners in the dining hall!

### KS1 Maths - Learning with your child

Please find attached an information flyer about a 5-week block of Maths workshops that we have been fortunate to secure with a trained specialist teacher.

If you would like to attend, please confirm by completing this form:

[Class 1 parents - Maths workshops – Fill in form](#)

or contact the school office for more information. During the sessions, you will spend some time developing your understanding of Maths in Year 1 and Year 2, before working alongside your child to practise the learning together.

### Residential Meeting

Thank you to those who attended Class 3's Residential Meeting. We hope lots of your questions were answered. In the meantime, if you have any more questions, please do not hesitate to get in touch. If you were unable to attend the meeting and would like the information to be sent out, please contact the office. If you did not attend the meeting, your child will be sent home with a paper copy of the packing list.

### BFA AGM - Wed 18<sup>th</sup> March at 3.30pm

Bolton Friends Association is our school parent group who raise an incredible amount of money for the school. The money raised goes towards purchasing a range of resources for in school such as iPads or to support school trip costs. Please come along and find out how you can get involved.

### Science Outreach

All of our Y5s were invited to Appleyby Grammar School today as part of an enrichment programme. The children had the opportunity to explore the brain and their sense. What a wonderful experience! Thank you to AGS and to the Y5s who represented the school brilliantly!



### Comic Relief

Next Friday 20<sup>th</sup> March, we will be raising money for Comic Relief! See information in the dates section on how your child can get involved.

### Abigail Robinson

A massive thank you to Abigail, our Y10 work experience student from AGS. It is always so great to have ex-students back. Abigail has been superb and still demonstrating our Bolton Values!



### Rocksteady

Today we welcomed Rocksteady Music School into school to deliver an exciting assembly and workshops for the children. Pupils enjoyed watching a live band performance and learning about different instruments including drums, keyboard, guitar and vocals. Some children even had the chance to join in! It was fantastic to see the children so engaged and enthusiastic about music and we hope the sessions have inspired some future musicians. Rocksteady are offering to come into school to work with groups of children and create our own Bolton Band - please find attached a letter explaining more information. We'd like families to complete the form to show interest in their child being part of this amazing experience. If you decided to sign your child up, they would receive weekly lessons and would gain a grade 2 qualification. As a school, we may be able to support some families with the cost and subscriptions can be cancelled at any time. Take a look at our photos on Facebook from today's workshop! It was great and the children loved it!

### Y6 SATs Booster Club

Miss Mepham is offering a SATs booster club for our Year 6s in preparation for their Y6 SATs in May. We will be offering a booster club on a Thursday during lunchtime for all Y6s. We'd also like to offer some after school sessions 3:30-4:30pm.

The sessions we are offering are:

**Wednesday 25<sup>th</sup> March**

**Friday 17<sup>th</sup> April**

**Wednesday 22<sup>nd</sup> April**

**Friday 1<sup>st</sup> May**

**Wednesday 6<sup>th</sup> May**

Y6 parents have been sent a Microsoft form.



### Extra-Curricular Sports Clubs 3:30-4:30pm

Tuesdays - Rec/KS1 Multi-Sports, including Mini-obstacle courses with 'Get Active Kids'  
Tuesdays - KS2 Boxercise with Miss Holmes  
Both of these will be £2 per session. Please book using Parent Pay.



### After School Care Provision

**3:30-5pm / 3:30-6pm**

Mondays - Art and Craft Explorers Club with Mrs Tinkler and Kaya

Tuesdays - Game on! Club with Mrs Tinkler and Shannon

Wednesdays - Bolton Bake Off Club with Miss Holmes/Mrs Rankin and Rebecca

Thursdays - Nature Makers Club with Mrs Austin and Kaya

Fridays - Film Friday Club with Miss Mepham and Rachael/Anne

(If you **do not** consent to your child watching a PG rated film, please contact the office)

**3:30pm-5pm at School £7.50 per session**

**5-6pm at Nursery £10.50 per session**

**(includes 3:30-5pm session)**

Please collect your child at 5pm from Bolton School or at 6pm at Bolton Nursery.

Please book your place via the school office!

Yours sincerely,

Debbie Tinkler, [head@bolton.cumbria.sch.uk](mailto:head@bolton.cumbria.sch.uk)



## After School 'Wrap Around' Care Provision Spring and Summer 2026



Bolton Primary School and Bolton Nursery will be providing the 'After School Care' Provision

This is a trial for the Spring and Summer Terms

3.30-5pm - At School - £7.50 (includes a snack)  
Collect your child from school at 5pm

5-6pm - At Nursery - (£10.50 includes 3.30-5pm session)  
Collect your child from nursery at 6pm

Bookings to be made via School - Please call us on 017683 61511 or email [admin@bolton.cumbria.sch.uk](mailto:admin@bolton.cumbria.sch.uk) to book your child's place.

If you have a booking for the academic year 2025-2026, these bookings will be honoured.

Please book to secure your place.

### Spring Term - Theme each night!

Monday: Art and Craft Explorers Club

Tuesday: Game On! Club

Wednesday: Bolton Bake Off Club

Thursday: Nature Makers Club

Friday: Film Fridays Club

Invoices will be sent via Nursery - You can still use your childcare account to receive 20% top up from the government to support with payments. Please call nursery on 017683 62468 or email [admin@boltonnursery.org.uk](mailto:admin@boltonnursery.org.uk) if you need guidance with your invoices.

## Extra-Curricular Sports Clubs



Bolton Primary School will continue to offer 'Extra-Curricular Sports Clubs'

There will be a club for Rec/KS1 and a club for KS2 each week.

These clubs will be sports based.

These will be £2 per week as we can subsidise these with our Sports Premium Money

These will run for the whole half term.

### Spring 2 Sports Clubs 3.30-4.30pm

Tuesdays - Rec/KS1 - Multi-sports with Active in Eden

Tuesdays - KS2 - Boxercise with Miss Holmes

(Both clubs start Tuesday 24<sup>th</sup> February, last session will be Tuesday 24<sup>th</sup> March)

Following the 'Extra-Curricular Sports Club' - You can book your child into 'After School Care'.

4.30-5pm will be £3 and 4.30-6pm will be £6

# Spring and Summer 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
13/03/26	<b>Class 2</b>	12:30-2:30pm	EVA Dodgeball Event @ Appleby Sports Hall. We will be travelling by minibus. Full PE kits, including clean trainers, water bottle and coats. Please provide a packed lunch. <a href="#">Class 2 Dodgeball tournament tomorrow - Friday 13th March 2026 – Fill in form</a>
16/03/26 - 20/03/26	<b>All</b>		<b>Assessment Week</b> Every term, we assess our students from Y1-6 to check on progress and identify children for additional support. Please note that the tests are done in a very supportive way and the children accept that they are just part of normal classroom practice. We will be reporting on progress and attitude to learning in an annual report; these will go out to you in April (after the Easter break).
16/03/26	<b>Rec</b>	10-11am	Jam Session at Bolton Church
18/03/26	<b>All</b>	2-3pm	Author Visit - Lindsay Littleson
18/03/26	<b>C3</b>	AM	RHSE Session with Mrs Hodgson
18/03/26			Bolton Friends Association AGM - Everyone welcome. Please come along and support us!
19/03/26	<b>C2</b>	All Day	<b><u>Birdoswald Trip - History</u></b> We are asking for a voluntary contribution of £11 towards the cost of the trip. This is now live on ParentPay. Children will need a packed lunch, waterproof coat, sensible shoes, water bottle and wear PE uniform.
20/03/26	<b>All</b>	AM	<b><u>Red Nose Day/Comic Relief</u></b> Please send your child to school wearing red! This could be a whole outfit or just something red e.g., red socks. Suggested donation for wearing something red £1. Please give what you can. We will also be holding a bake sale so please send your child in with change to buy a cake or 2! If you are able to, please do some baking with your child and send this in on Friday morning. School council will be running 4 activities across the afternoon, such as a danceathon.
24/03/26	<b>C1</b>	All day	<b><u>Windermere Trip - History</u></b> We are asking for a voluntary contribution of £15 towards the cost of the trip. This is now live on ParentPay. Children will need a packed lunch, waterproof coat, sensible shoes, water bottle and wear PE uniform.
25/03/26	<b>All</b>		<b><u>Environment Day - House Group Activities</u></b> Children will be taking part in a range of activities focused on looking after our environment and learning about how we can all help to protect the world around us. As part of the day, children are invited to come to school wearing their own old clothes that you don't mind getting a little messy, as some of the activities will take place outdoors. We are looking forward to a fun and engaging day of learning about how we can care for our planet. We are looking for some parent volunteers who would like to get involved in some outside jobs, such as staining fences, weeding, etc. Please get in touch with the office if you'd like to lend a hand!
26/03/26	<b>Selected</b>	10:30am - 1:30pm	<b><u>Hockey Tournament</u></b> Y3/4 Team - Lola, Cadie, Eryn, Flynn, Rufus, Benji A, Barnaby, Benji T Y5/6 Team - Esme, Evie, Jasper, Bobby, Lucy, Penny, Hunter Full PE kits, trainers and shin pads if you have them. We can provide you with shin pads if you haven't got any, water bottle and coats. Please provide a packed lunch. Please consent via the Microsoft form emailed 11/03/26
27/03/26	<b>All</b>	3:30pm	End of Spring Term - Break up at normal time 3:30pm
13/04/26	<b>All</b>		Start of Summer Term
13/04/26 - 15/04/26	<b>Class 3</b>		<b><u>Residential - Barhaugh Hall, Robinwood Activity Centre</u></b> Normal drop off time Monday morning. Children will depart school between 9:40am and 10am and arrive at the coach park at around 11am ready to walk to the centre. Please send your child to school in weather appropriate clothing (please see packing

			list) and with a bag/holdall that they are able to carry for themselves. Normal pick-up time Wednesday afternoon. Children will depart the centre at 1:20pm, arriving back to school at around 2:30pm.
15/04/26		5:30pm	Full Governors Body Meeting
17/04/26	<b>All</b>	9am	Buddy Reading
23/04/26	<b>Class 3</b>	12:30-2:30	EVA Orienteering Event Full PE kits, water bottle and coats. Please provide a packed lunch.
29/04/26	<b>KS1</b>	<b>AM</b>	RHE Session with Mrs Hodgson
29/04/26	<b>Selected</b>	3:30-6pm	<b><u>Bolton Tag Rugby Event</u></b> We are getting close to our annual Tag Rugby event which has proven to be very successful over the years. We will be letting you know shortly if your child is playing. Do come along and support us. BFA would like volunteers to help with the food and refreshments. Please contact the school office if you can help on the day.
01/05/26	<b>Selected</b>	9:30-12:30	EVA Rise Gymnastics Event at Appleby Sports Hall. Full PE kits, water bottle and coats. Please provide a packed lunch.
04/05/26	<b>All</b>		Bank Holiday - School Closed
06/05/26	<b>C2</b>	<b>AM</b>	RHSE Session with Mrs Hodgson
06/05/26		2:30pm	Staffing, Finance and Premises Governors Meeting
08/05/26	<b>C3</b>	12:30-2:30	EVA Lacrosse Event Full PE kits, water bottle and coats. Please provide a packed lunch.
11/05/26 - 15/05/26	<b>Year 6</b>		SATS Week - Year 6
13/05/26	<b>C3</b>	<b>PM</b>	RHSE Session with Mrs Hodgson
15/05/26	<b>Year 6</b>	All day	Patterdale Experience Day
20/05/26	<b>C2</b>	<b>PM</b>	EVA Cricket Event at Appleby Cricket Club. Full PE kits and water bottle. Please provide a packed lunch.
22/05/26	<b>All</b>		Wheelchair Basketball
22/05/26	<b>Selected</b>		Farming Experience at Morland Primary School - more information to follow
22/05/26	<b>All</b>		Break up for half term - Non-uniform £1 suggested donation for NSPCC
05/06/26	<b>All</b>	9am	Buddy Reading
09/06/26	<b>C3</b>	TBC	EVA Rounders Event at Brough School
11/06/26	<b>Selected</b>	12:30-2:30	EVA Elite Swimming Gala at Appleby Pool
13/06/26		<b>PM</b>	BOLTON VILLAGE FIELD DAY
17/06/26			EVA Tri-Kids event at Bolton playing field.
24/06/26		5:30pm	Full Governors Body Meeting
26/06/26	<b>KS1</b>		EVA Rise Gymnastics Event at Appleby Sports Hall
28/06/26			Appleby Fun Run
29/06/26	<b>Y4s</b>	10:10-12:15	History/Geography Outreach Session at Appleby Grammar School
29/06/26	<b>All</b>	<b>PM</b>	Athlete Visit
02/07/26	<b>All</b>	All Day	Whole School Trip
03/07/26	<b>Selected</b>		Appleby Sports
06/07/26 - 10/07/26	<b>All</b>	<b>AM</b>	Swimming Week
08/07/26	<b>Y5</b>		Maths and Science Trail at Appleby Grammar School
13/07/26	<b>Rec</b>	10-11am	JAM Session at Bolton Church
w/c 13/07/26			Whole School Performance - TBC
16/07/26	<b>Y6</b>	2pm	Year 6 Leavers Assembly - Year 6 Parents Welcome - Save the Date!
17/07/26	<b>All</b>	2pm	End of Summer Term - Early Finish