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Newsletter: Thursday 23rd October 2025

Dear Parents and Carers,

Star Awards for Caring

Well done to our star award winners last week for demonstrating our value of caring. Huge well done to Mazie, Emily, Ronnie, Tyler, Rufus, Penny and Noah.

Tim Farron Assembly

It was great to have Tim Farron in school last week. He spoke to the children about his role and the priorities for the area. The children asked some interesting questions and heard some very inspiring insights from Tim about how to be their best for the community.

Jordan Crawford

We'd like to say a huge thank you and goodbye to Jordan, who has delivered some of our PE curriculum and after school clubs for a number of years now. Jordan has relocated to Preston to support his daughter who has signed for Manchester United. We wish Jordan and his family the best of luck and we look forward to hearing how things are going. Miss Holmes will be taking over Jordan's PE curriculum commitments on a Wednesday afternoon.

Halloween Party

A massive thank you to our parents and BFA helpers yesterday for Halloween. Thank you if you donated goodies towards it. We hope you all had a horrifying time! Events such as these massively enhance our curriculum and mean that we can give the children extra experiences.

Non-uniform Day

On Friday 24th, we are having a non-uniform day to raise some money for NSPCC. Suggested donation £1. We will be doing some further days to increase this throughout the year.

School dinners

School dinners have now been ordered for the week after half term. Following children's feedback Asian noodles to be replaced with cottage pie after half term.

Tuck Shop

Remember your £3.50 on the first week back from Autumn 2.

Drop off

From after half term, we'd like all children from Year 1 upwards to walk into school independently from the brown gate (or classroom entrance if you need to speak to the class teacher). We are really encouraging parents not come into the Year 1 and 2 classroom as this unsettles the children and there are also children doing activities before school.

Remembrance Service

Join us for the Remembrance Service at the Memorial Hall on the 11th of November. The children will be taking part in the service and thinking about the meaning and importance of remembering those that have given their lives. Be ready for the start of the service at 10.45 am. Class 1 will be making poppies for us, Class 2 laying the wreaths for the Bolton fallen and Class 3 doing some readings. Thank you.

Christmas Cards

On Monday 3rd November, children will make their own Christmas cards which you can order (there is no obligation). It is a good fundraiser for the school, and we know the children love to see their cards professionally made. Instructions to follow.

Parking

Thank you to our families who are trying hard to keep the roads outside school safe during drop off and collection. Please let grandparents know about not double parking at the layby and also not parking in the school carpark / taxi parking area.

Online Safety Accreditation 25/26

Congratulations to everyone at Bolton School for their commitments to keeping children safe in the online world. For the 5th year running, we have been awarded an accreditation for the commitment we have shown through our training and lessons on online safety. Thank you to the staff, children and families who have accessed their account and completed some training and webinars. Take a look!

Homework

There will be no homework set this Friday for over the half-term break. Please continue to do your reading.

Carlisle United Football Match 31/1

On the 31st January, we have secured some tickets to take our KS2 children to see Carlisle United play. Please keep an eye out for further information.

Bolton Nursery Bingo Event

Do you love a game of Bingo? Pop along to Bolton Nursery's Bingo Event on Friday 5th December with a chance to win some amazing prizes.

Library books

We are missing a few books from the library bus. Please check at home!

Bolton Bonfire and Fireworks

Saturday 8th November Gates Open & food 5.30pm, bonfire lit 6pm, fireworks 6.30 -645. Please bring cash. Adults £4 Kids £2 BFA are looking for volunteers between 5.15pm and 6.30pm - pls contact Rob A bfabolton@gmail.com

Tapestry

Reception parents- please upload photos of any activities that your child does over the half term for them to share with us when they come back.

Face courses

See attachment for details of courses for parents. We have a school membership, please contact office to register interest.

After School Clubs - Autumn 2

Monday: Class 1 Dance with Abby Overs

Wednesday: KS2 Baking Club with Miss Mephram. Space for 10 children.

Thursday: No Club

Friday: No Club

Please come to school in PE kit on the days you attend club.

Please sign up and pay on ParentPay.

Clubs will run for 6 weeks from week beginning 3rd November until week beginning 8th December

We hope you have a brilliant half term break! Keep safe and have lots of fun trick or treating!

Yours sincerely,
Debbie Tinkler

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Autumn 2025 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
24/10/25	Class 3	9:30-11:30	Wonderdome visit at Brough. Class 3 will be travelling by minibus to Brough School to visit a pop-up planetarium. They will be departing at 9.30 and will be back in time for lunch. They can wear their non-uniform. They will need to take a water bottle.
24/10/25	All	Finish at 3:30pm	End of the half-term! - Non-uniform day - Suggested £1 donation NSPCC
31/10/25	Y6		Secondary School Application Deadline. Information link: https://www.westmorlandandfurness.gov.uk/schools-and-education/apply-school-place-or-change-schools/apply-secondary-school-place
03/11/25	All		Back to school
03/11/25	Rec	10:00am	JAM Session at Church for Reception and Bolton Nursery Pre-school
03/11/25	All	Morning	Whole School making Christmas Cards
05/11/25	Class 3	All Morning	Relationship, Health and Sex Education Session for Year 5/Year 6
05/11/25	Rec	11:00-11:30	Bolton Nursery Pre-School Transition Visit
06/11/25			Nasal Flu
06/11/25	KS2	12.30-3:30pm	Hunter Hall Cross Country KS2 - leave school at 12.30pm, return for 3.30pm - selected children in year 4, 5 and 6 will receive a Microsoft form. Wear PE kit, bring waterproof jacket, appropriate footwear, water bottle and packed lunch.
07/11/25		11:00-12:00pm	Stay and Play Session 0-5 - Open to babies through to pre-school and their parent/carer - please contact school to book a place
11/11/25	All	10.45	Remembrance Day Service in Bolton Memorial hall
12/11/25			Attendance Officer Visit to School
14/11/25	All		Children in Need - Suggested donation £1 Please wear PJs or something spotty! - Activities throughout the morning
19/11/25		5:30pm	Governors - Full Governing Body Meeting
21/11/25	Class 1	9:30am-11:30am	EVA Event - Basic Moves - Class 1 - Appleby Sports Hall Need: To wear PE kit including appropriate clean trainers, water bottle, healthy snack, coat. Children will travel to and from Appleby on a coach accompanied by staff.
24/11/25	All		Assessment Week
01/12/25	Rec	10:00am	JAM Session at Church for Reception and Bolton Nursery Pre-school
04/12/25	All		KS2 Theatre Trip - Wizard of Oz - More information to follow
05/12/25	All	9:30am-11:30am	Christmas Craft Morning - Please contact school if you would like to volunteer Children and adults can wear their Christmas Jumpers
05/12/25		7pm doors, eyes down 7.30pm	Bolton Nursery Bingo Fundraiser in Appleby Market Hall (see poster attached)
11/12/25	All		Christmas Jumper Day and Reindeer Run
12/12/25		11:00-12:00pm	Stay and Play Session 0-5 - Open to babies through to pre-school and their parent/carer - please contact school to book a place
15/12/25	Class 1	All Day	Class 1 Christmas Trip - A Christmas Experience at Walby Farm Park
16/12/25	Class 1	2pm	Class 1 Nativity Performance - More information to follow
17/12/25	All	1.15pm-2.15pm	Children to make Christingles in school
17/12/25	Class 1	5:30pm	Class 1 Nativity Performance - More information to follow
18/12/25	All	2pm	Christingle Carol Service at All Saints Church, Bolton
19/12/25	All	Finish at 2pm	Last Day - Christmas Party Day - Party clothes
06/01/26			INSET Day
07/01/26	All		Start of the Spring Term