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Newsletter: Thursday 26th February 2026

Dear Parents and Carers,

So far, the half-term has got off to a great start. There is a lot happening this half-term so please keep checking the newsletters as your main source of information. Copies go onto the website, too. Please remember to contact the school office if you are letting us know about attendance or medical appointments or similar, rather than contacting a teacher directly. Do remember that teaching staff may not be able to respond to any messages until after home time, so if it is urgent, please call the office.

Surveys- Parents

Thank you to the families who have completed our mid-year parent survey. If you haven't yet completed it, please do this by Monday 2nd March. The survey link has been emailed - it would be great to have a response back from every family. Thank you for your continued support.

[Bolton Primary School - Parents Survey - Spring 2026 - Fill in form](#)

Cyberbullying Talk

On Tuesday morning, we had a talk from Damien Fox all about Cyberbullying. We learned about the different ways that people cyberbully, such as deep fakes, texting and shaming. We also learned about the effects that cyberbully has on our young children. Remember if your child is a victim of cyberbullying or witnesses it then they should report it to a trusted adult. It is important that children feel that they are being respected and being respectful in the online world.

Sports Clubs

If you'd be interested in joining our KS2 Boxercise club or Class 1 Multi-sports club, please book your place via ParentPay. We'd love to continue to offer sports clubs for our children, however this is becoming difficult with low numbers. Please support our clubs.

3-11 Provision

If you have a child who is turning 3 from September 2026 to July 2027, please contact us to discuss our plans and to book your child a place.

World Book Day - Thursday 5th March - The school always celebrates World Book Day. We will be doing some educational and fun activities in school. Homework for this week will be linked to World Book Day. See Google Classroom for some more information.

Competitions: Children need to take part in at least one or more of these competitions (bring into school next Thursday):

1. Design a new front cover for a favourite book
2. Bring in a weird or wonderful book e.g. old, pop-up, sound, moving part book...
3. Make your own mini-book (can be fiction/non-fiction, on any theme)
4. Make a book in a box

There will be prizes for the best one of the above from each class.

Dressing Up for World Book Day? If your child would like, they can come as a book character, or they can come in their pyjamas (all ready to do some bedtime reading), or they can come in their normal uniform. Your child needs to know who they are and from which book, if they come as a character. Remember - you do not need to buy a costume! Making and creating is much more fun (and cheaper). We would rather you spend money on books. We will be hosting a book fair with Scholastic Books from 28/4 until 4/5. Money raised from the sales will support school purchasing some new books.

Reading Café - Come and Join us - From 9 am - 9.30 am, we will be sharing books across the classes. Feel free to dress as a book character but no obligation. You might have a special or unusual book that you want to share?...

School dinners/ snacks & tuck shop

Please remember to order your child's dinner by Wednesday evening. Please remember that we are trying to encourage healthy choices, in lunch boxes. Please send your child with fruit or veg snacks for break. Tuck shop is 50p per week or £2.50 for the full term.

We are unable to provide hot dinners on Thursday 5 March as the pub at Temple Sowerby has no electricity that day. Please choose an alternative meal for your child that day by end of day on Monday 2 March - [Meal change - Thursday 5 March 2026 - Fill in 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 Mephram 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



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 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 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 24th February, last session will be Tuesday 24th 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 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
27/02/26	All	9am	Buddy Reading
02/03/26	Rec	10-11am	JAM Session at Bolton Church
03/03/26	KS1	AM	RHE Session with Year 1/Year 2 with Mrs Hodgson
04/03/26			Attendance Officer Visit to school
05/03/26	All		World Book Day - PJs or Costumes! Reading Café 9-9:30 - All welcome - enjoy a story, cuppa and biscuit with your child to start out World Book Day Children will be completing lots of book related activities throughout the day!
09/03/26 - 13/03/26		All week	Abigail Robinson - Work Experience Placement Student
11/03/26	C2	AM	RHSE Session with Year 3/Year 4 with Mrs Hodgson
11/03/26	C3	3:30-4:30pm	Residential Meeting We'd like to invite all Y5/6 children and parents to a meeting all about their residential to Barhaugh Hall - it is important that you attend this meeting. This will be an opportunity to find out more about our new exciting trip and ask some questions
12/03/26	Y5s	11:25-12:25pm	Science Outreach Session at Appleby Grammar School
13/03/26	Class 2	12:30-2:30pm	EVA Dodgeball Event @ Appleby Sports Hall. Full PE kits, water bottle and coats. Please provide a packed lunch.
16/03/26 - 20/03/26	All		Assessment Week
16/03/26	Rec	10-11am	Jam Session at Bolton Church
19/03/26	C2	All Day	Birdoswald Trip - History 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 normal uniform.
20/03/26	All		Red Nose Day - More information to follow
24/03/26	C1	All day	Windermere Trip - History 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 normal uniform.
25/03/26	All		Environment Day - House Group Activities
27/03/26	All	3:30pm	End of Spring Term - Break up at normal time 3:30pm
13/04/26	All		Start of Summer Term
13/04/26 - 15/04/26	Class 3		Residential - Barhaugh Hall, Robinwood Activity Centre
15/04/26		5:30pm	Full Governors Body Meeting
17/04/26	All	9am	Buddy Reading
23/04/26	Class 3	12:30-2:30	EVA Orienteering Event Full PE kits, water bottle and coats. Please provide a packed lunch.
01/05/26	Selected	9:30-12:30	Rise Gymnastics Event at Appleby Sports Hall. Full PE kits, water bottle and coats. Please provide a packed lunch.
04/05/26	All		Bank Holiday - School Closed
06/05/26		2:30pm	Staffing, Finance and Premises Governors Meeting
08/05/26	C3	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	Year 6		SATS Week - Year 6
20/05/26	C2	PM	EVA Cricket Event at Appleby Cricket Club. Full PE kits and water bottle. Please provide a packed lunch.
22/05/26	All		Wheelchair Basketball
22/05/26	Selected		Farming Experience at Morland Primary School - more information to follow

22/05/26	All		Break up for half term - Non-uniform £1 suggested donation for NSPCC
05/06/26	All	9am	Buddy Reading
09/06/26	C3	TBC	EVA Rounders Event at Brough School
11/06/26	Selected	12:30-2:30	EVA Elite Swimming Gala at Appleby Pool
17/06/26			EVA Tri-Kids event at Bolton playing field.
24/06/26		5:30pm	Full Governors Body Meeting
26/06/26	KS1		EVA Rise Gymnastics Event at Appleby Sports Hall
28/06/26			Appleby Fun Run
29/06/26	Y4s	10:10-12:15	History/Geography Outreach Session at Appleby Grammar School
03/07/26	Selected		Appleby Sports
06/07/26 - 10/07/26	All	AM	Swimming Week
08/07/26	Y5		Maths and Science Trail at Appleby Grammar School
13/07/26	Rec	10-11am	JAM Session at Bolton Church
w/c 13/07/26			Whole School Performance - TBC
16/07/26	Y6	2pm	Year 6 Leavers Assembly - Year 6 Parents Welcome - Save the Date!
17/07/26	All	2pm	End of Summer Term - Early Finish