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Dear Parents and Carers,

Star Awards for Excelling

Well done to our star award winners last week for demonstrating our value of Excelling. Huge well done to Brody, Darcey, Ronnie, Benji T, Eryn, Hannah and Noah.

Golden Diners Table

Well done to our lucky golden diners last week - Brody, Olly, Benji A and Isabelle. Super manners in the dining hall!

Y6 SATs

Next week, Year 6 pupils will be taking their Key Stage 2 SATs, which are a normal part of the primary school curriculum. The tests assess pupils' understanding in English (reading, grammar, punctuation and spelling) and mathematics and help secondary schools gain a clear picture of each child's attainment. We have been working hard in school to prepare the children, focusing on building confidence, familiar routines and positive attitudes. Staff will make the test days as calm and supportive as possible so pupils can simply do their best.

You can support your child by:

- Ensuring they get plenty of sleep
- Providing a healthy breakfast on test days
- Offering reassurance and encouragement
- Avoiding extra pressure at home

Most importantly, please remember that SATs are just one snapshot of your child's learning and do not define them or their abilities. If you have any questions or would like further information, please speak to Mrs Tinkler or Miss Mepham.

Thank you for your continued support.

Y6 Patterdale Trip

Year 6 will be heading to Patterdale Outdoor Centre after their SATs. It's a great chance for the children to mix with other Year 6 pupils from local primary schools, make new friends and build confidence before moving on to secondary school. The trip includes fun outdoor activities that encourage teamwork, independence and trying new things.

Rise Gymnastics

Last Friday, six of our KS2 pupils took part in a Rise Gymnastics event. They worked really well as a team, developing their gymnastics skills and even creating their own routines. Well done to everyone involved!

Long Marton Tag Rugby Competition

What a pleasure to watch our Tag Rugby team last night at the Long Marton Event. They did us proud and were a credit to the school, showing great team work and some impressive tries. Well done!

KS2 Tag Rugby Club - Monday - change of date!

Due to the Long Marton Shield on Monday 18th May, we have had to move the final Tag Rugby Session with Mrs Cousin to Monday 8th June - apologies for any inconvenience.

KS1 Maths Workshop - change of date!

The final KS1 Maths Workshop will take place on Tuesday 2nd June instead of Tuesday 19th May due to the whole school being out of trips. It has been great to hear wonderful feedback about the Maths course. We are looking at running another course focussing on resilience and self-esteem for KS2 parents.

School Disco - change of date!

We are very excited to be hosting our first school disco. The disco will now be taking place on Wednesday 20th May, 3:30pm-5:30pm due to Y6 being at Patterdale on Friday 15th May. We look forward to seeing you there!

Dance for Diabetes

2 weeks to go! The children have been busy learning sections 1, 2, 3 and 4 so far. We will be performing our dance for diabetes song during our Summer Showcase on Thursday 21st May.

KS1 - Reading Challenge

We have set up a KS1 reading challenge with the library service. Children can borrow 1 book at a time. These books are for you to share with your child and they should keep them for a week. Once returned they will receive a sticker in their reading challenge passport and they can choose a new book. Please take care of the books and enjoy sharing them with your child. Read 6 books to complete the challenge!

April Lottery Winners

Congratulations to our April Lottery Winners
1st Prize - M Gerrish, 2nd Prize - S Tinkler
3rd Prize - K Brockbank. We still have a number of balls available - please contact school if you'd like to support us through the Lottery.

Guitars- Y5s

Please remember to bring your guitar every Tuesday!

Bookfair

Thank you so much to everyone who supported the Scholastic Bookfair. As a result, we have around £300 to spend on new books for our school. We hope you have enjoyed sharing the books that you purchased. Bolton hopes to host the bookfair again in the future.

Adult Learning - KS2 Bouncebackability!

We are running a KS2 parent workshop during Summer 2 with a focus on resilience. Resilience can be nurtured and learned. This course aims to help parents/carers support children's 'bouncebackability'. Topics include managing feelings, coping with change, developing perseverance and building self-esteem. Contact school to book your place!



Summer 1 Extra-Curricular Sports Clubs 3:30-4:30pm

Mondays - KS2 Tag Rugby with Mrs Cousin
Thursdays - R/KS1 + Y3 UV Glow Dodgeball and Laser Tag with Juno Sports
Fridays - KS2 Football with Max Robinson
These will be £2 per session.
Please book using Parent Pay.



Summer After School Care Provision 3:30-5pm / 3:30-6pm

Mondays - Outdoor Adventurers Club with Mrs Tinkler and Kaya
Tuesdays - Performing Arts Club with Mrs Tinkler and Shannon
Wednesdays - Creative Cooking Club with Miss Holmes/Mrs Rankin and Rebecca
Thursdays - Crafty Creators Club with Mrs Austin and Kaya
Fridays - Movie Magic Club with Mrs Tinkler 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 - 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.

Summer Term - Theme each night!

Monday: Outdoor Adventurers Club

Tuesday: Performing Arts Club

Wednesday: Creative Cooking Club

Thursday: Crafty Creators Club

Friday: Movie Magic 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.

Summer 1 Sports Clubs 3.30-4.30pm

Mondays - KS2 - Tag Rugby

Thursdays - Rec/KS1 + Y3 - UV Glow Dodgeball and Laser Tag

Fridays - KS2 - Football

(Thursday Class 1 + Y3 Club starts w/c 13th April and last session w/c 18th May)

(KS2 Clubs both start w/c 20th April, last session will be w/c 18th May)

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

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
08/05/26	Class 3	12:30pm-2:30pm	<u>EVA Lacrosse Event</u> Full PE kits, water bottle and coats. Please provide a packed lunch. Please complete this consent form: Class 3 EVA Lacrosse event - Friday 8 May 2026 - Fill in form
08/05/26	All		David Attenborough's 100 th Birthday Celebrations We will be marking the occasion with some cake and activities!
11/05/26 - 15/05/26	Year 6		SATS Week - Year 6 - Best of Luck to our Year 6s!
13/05/26	Class 3	PM	RHSE Session with Mrs Hodgson
15/05/26	Year 6	8.30am - 5.30pm	<u>Patterdale Experience Day</u> Y6 Parents - You have been sent a letter with more information. Mrs Tinkler and Miss Mepham will be accompanying the children. They will need to bring: A packed lunch, a swimming costume, a towel, a spare pair of shoes that will be okay to get wet, suitable outdoor clothing - fleece, rainproof coat, trousers/jog bottoms - old clothes are best! Any specialist equipment such as wetsuits and head protection will be supplied by the centre. We will be leaving by coach from Temple Sowerby Primary School at 8.45am sharp, and will arrive back at Temple Sowerby School for approximately 5.30pm although please be mindful that Friday traffic might delay this. Please make sure children arrive at Temple Sowerby School for 8:30am to ensure we get away on time. Year 6 Patterdale Hall - 15 May 2026 - Fill in form
15/05/26	Selected KS1	9:30am-2:30pm	<u>Outdoor Learning Day at Plumpton School</u> Various activities ranging from den building, scavenging and environmental art. The children will be travelling with Miss Holmes. They will need to bring: A packed lunch and water bottle. Warm clothes/sunscreen will be necessary depending on the weather on the day and children are best to wear old clothes with full-length sleeves and trousers due to the nature of the activities. Waterproofs are highly advisable! Selected: Jesse, Harry and Ellie
18/05/26	Selected KS2	4-6pm	<u>Long Marton Shield - Netball and Football Tournament</u> Netball Selected: Evie, McKenna, Tilly, Amelia, Hannah and Lucy Football Selected: Jasper, Charlie W, Esme, Wilson, Hunter, Bobby, Flynn, Barnaby and Alex
19/05/26	Class 1 & Class 3	All Day	<u>St Bees Geography Trip</u> Please bring your child at school at 8.30am and we will be back for 3.30pm Full PE kits, water bottle and coats. Please provide a packed lunch. Children will need some spending money for an ice-cream - £3 max! Please give consent and make the voluntary contribution on ParentPay.
19/05/26	Class 2	All Day	<u>Whitescar Caves Science Trip</u> Leave school at 9am and return to school by 2.15pm. Full PE kits, water bottle and coats. Please provide a packed lunch. Please give consent and make the voluntary contribution on ParentPay.
20/05/26		9-9:30am	Parent Meeting for New Reception Starting in September 2026
20/05/26	All	3:30pm-5:30pm	School Disco @ Bolton School - Change of date More information to follow
21/05/26	All	1pm	<u>Summer Showcase Afternoon - All Welcome! Save the date!</u> Throughout the afternoon, we will be performing songs, playing instruments, performing our dance for diabetes dance and there will be a summer fete with Juno Sports running a range of sport activities. Normal Juno Sports After School Sports Club will be 3:30-4:30pm
22/05/26	All	AM	Wheelchair Basketball

22/05/26	Selected Any age	11:30am-2:30pm	<u>Farming Experience at Morland Primary School</u> Interactive farming workshops which will be led by a number of companies including SmartSTEMs, The Rural Crime Team, North West Auctions, Westmorland Show, Lloyds and Carrs. This is a new event and will hopefully take place again in the future. We were limited to set numbers. Children will need: A packed lunch, water bottle and waterproof jacket. Selected: Sophia, Hugo, Olly, Toby, Jesse, Ronnie, Max, Rufus, Benji T, Beau, Lacey, Lola, Casey, Hannah, Bobby Farming experience - Friday 22 May 2026 – Fill in form
22/05/26	All		Break up for half term - Non-uniform £1 suggested donation for NSPCC Film Club will be at Bolton Nursery today, please collect your child from nursery at 5pm or 6pm.
01/06/26	Y6	All Day	<u>Y6 Winners - Science Life Centre Newcastle Trip - No cost</u> Leave school at 7:30am and return to school by 4:30pm Please drop children off at school at 7:20am Children will be travelling with Beaconside School and Shap School. Miss Mephram and Stephen Tudway will be accompanying the children. Full PE kits, water bottle and coats. Please provide a packed lunch. Year 6 Science museum trip 1 June 2026 - Fill in form
01/06/26	Selected Y1 Y2 Y3	1pm-3:30pm	<u>Hunter Hall Cross Country</u> Some children will be competing in the annual Hunter Hall Cross Country - Children listed are those that wanted to take part. Y1 boys - Otis Y1 girls - Charlotte, Olly, Emily, Darcey Y2 boys - Ronnie, Max, Daniel, Jesse, William Y2 girls - Dee Dee, Tiff, Harley, Ellie, Lilly Y3 boys - Charlie, Benji A, Benji T Y3 girls - Lacey Consent form to follow
01/06/26	Rec	10am-11am	JAM at Bolton Church
02/06/26	All	9am	Whole School Photos and Class Photos
02/06/26		9am-11am	KS1 Maths Workshop for Parents - last session! - change of date!
03/06/26		9:30am-11:30am	September 2026 Starters Transition Session
03/06/26	Selected KS2	12:45pm-3pm	Chess Tournament at Long Marton School Selected: Esme, Hannah and Wilson
03/06/26	Selected KS2	TBC	<u>Temple Sowerby Kwik Cricket Tournament</u> Selected: Wilson, Esme, Hannah, Lucy, Penny, Bobby, Jasper, Charlie W, Amelia and Benji A
04/06/26	C2	All Day	<u>Eden Camp History Trip</u> Leave school at 8am and return to school by 4pm Full PE kits, water bottle and coats. Please provide a packed lunch. Please give consent and make the voluntary contribution on ParentPay.
05/06/26	All	9am	Buddy Reading
08/06/26		3:30pm-4:30pm	Tag Rugby Sports Club with Mrs Cousin - Additional Session due to missed session in Summer 1 - change of date!
09/06/26	C3	AM	Class 3 Pond Dipping at Cold Springs Nature Reserve, Penrith. Leave 0845. Depart 1130 to go to rounders at Brough. Must have a water bottle as no drinking water at Cold Springs. Lunch at Brough. Mrs Rankin driving bus, Amy Robinson on the bus. Miss Lowthian driving some pupils in the car.
09/06/26	C3	TBC	EVA Rounders Event at Brough School
10/06/26		9:30am-11:30am	September 2026 Starters Transition Session
11/06/26	Selected KS2	12:30pm-2:30pm	<u>EVA Elite Swimming Gala at Appleby Pool</u> Selected: Esme, Hannah, Lucy, Amelia, Jasper, Wilson, Benji A and Barnaby
11/06/26	Selected KS2	3:45pm	<u>Kings Meaburn Football Tournament</u> Selected: Jasper, Charlie W, Esme, Hannah, Wilson, Hunter, Bobby, Flynn, Barnaby and Alex
13/06/26		1.30pm-	<u>Bolton Village Field Day</u>

		5.30pm	Come along and see our wonderful artwork that the whole school has created! Juno Sports will be running a Laser Tag Game, Hardy's Bouncy Castles and children's races! There will be the usual stalls including cakes, children's tombola and a raffle. The theme is "Trooping the Colour", everyone is invited to make flags or outfits & join in the procession from the school.
15/06/26	Y6	9:30am-11:30am	Y6 Transition Session at Morland Church
15/06/26	Selected KS2	3:10pm-5:30pm	<u>Culgaith Girls Football Tournament</u> Selected: Hannah, Esme, Tilly, Evie, Mckenna, Penny, Lucy and Amelia
17/06/26		9:30am-11:30am	September 2026 Starters Transition Session
17/06/26			EVA Tri-Kids event at Bolton playing field
18/06/26	C2	AM	Class 2 Pond Dipping, Cold Springs Nature Reserve, Penrith. Leave 0900. Depart 1145. Lunch at school as usual. Must have a water bottle as no drinking water at Cold Springs. Mrs Cousin driving bus, Miss Burns on the bus.
19/06/26	Y5	All Day	Year 5 STEM Event Day at AGS
19/06/26	Y6	PM	Year 6 End of School Treat
24/06/26		9:30am-11:30am	September 2026 Starters Transition Session
24/06/26		5:30pm	Full Governors Body Meeting
24/06/26	Selected KS2	TBC	<u>Warcop Cup - Netball and Football Tournament</u> Netball Selected: Evie, Mckenna, Tilly, Amelia, Hannah and Lucy Football Selected: Jasper, Charlie W, Esme, Wilson, Hunter, Bobby, Flynn, Barnaby and Alex
26/06/26	Selected KS1	9:30am-12:30pm	<u>EVA Rise Gymnastics Event at Appleby Sports Hall</u> Selected: Harley, Jesse, Ronnie, Lilly, Tiffany, Dee Dee, Emily and Olly
28/06/26			Appleby Fun Run
29/06/26	Y4s	10:10am-12:15pm	Year 4 History/Geography Outreach Session at Appleby Grammar School
29/06/26	All	PM	Athlete Visit - More information to follow
01/07/26	All	AM	Take Over Morning - Juno Sports Event All Morning
01/07/26	All	PM	Sports Day
02/07/26	All	All Day	Move Up Day - Transition Day (trial for September 2026) Y6s will visit their secondary schools for the day
03/07/26	All	All Day	Whole School Trip to Beamish
06/07/26 - 10/07/26	All	AM	Swimming Week
08/07/26	Selected KS2	TBC	<u>Catriona Stables Event at Kirkby Thore</u> Netball Selected: Evie, Mckenna, Tilly, Amelia, Hannah and Lucy Football Selected: Jasper, Charlie W, Esme, Wilson, Hunter, Bobby, Flynn, Barnaby and Alex
10/07/26	All	3:30pm-5:30pm	School Disco @ Bolton School
13/07/26	Rec	10am-11am	JAM Session at Bolton Church
13/07/26	All	All Day	Full Day at Cliburn Village Hall
14/07/26	All	All Day	Full Day at Cliburn Village Hall
14/07/26	All	2pm	Afternoon Showing of our Summer Performance 'The Wizard of Oz' at Cliburn Village Hall - Save the Date!
15/07/26	Rock steady Bands	2pm	Rocksteady Concert
15/07/26	All	5:30pm	Evening Showing of our Summer Performance 'The Wizard of Oz' at Cliburn Village Hall - Save the Date!
16/07/26	Y6	2pm	Year 6 Leavers Assembly - Year 6 Parents Welcome - Save the Date!
17/07/26	All	2pm	Non-uniform £1 suggested donation for NSPCC End of Summer Term - Early Finish