

# Weekly Newsletter



We are proud to announce that our very own Breakfast Club features in the DfE's recently published school's White Paper, Every Child Achieving and Thriving, where they map out their vision to improve the lives of every child in England. Check out Devonshire Road on page 21!



We will now become a Champion School for the DfE and will advise schools across the country on setting up their own breakfast clubs. The white paper is the government's call to parents/carers, schools and local services to work together to build a future where every child can achieve and thrive. The White Paper and two useful toolkits can be found on the school's website, access [here](#).



Next Friday, our Future Leaders are hosting a charity day to support Urban Outreach. All children will be able to come into school in their own clothes in exchange for a donation. To make it easy and low cost, the Future Leaders have asked each class to donate a specific item. You can access a video on our Facebook requesting the following items:

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| YRHC bottles of shampoo | YRHS packs of biscuits     |
| Y1L tins of soup        | Y1HBD tins of rice pudding |
| Y2C handwash            | Y2F tins of fruit          |
| Y3A squash              | Y3G toothpaste             |
| Y4AT dried pasta        | Y4S tins of custard        |
| Y5C new tooth-          | Y5H cereal                 |
| Y6B tissues             | Y6P tins of spam           |

*In line with the updated guidance on 'Mobile phones in schools' from the DfE, we have made a slight change to our Behaviour Policy, which now includes more detail around mobile phones in school. Our procedures have not changed; however, these will now be classed as a 'prohibited item' if they are not handed in to staff members/the office team at the beginning of the day.*

When surveyed about how likely parents and carers are to recommend us as a school, the results were overwhelmingly positive; a reflection of the strong trust our community has in us. Families state they feel 'welcomed and wanted', and that the school has 'effective communication' and dedicated staff who provide the best outcomes for all our school community. This shows that our commitment to high-quality education and wellbeing is making a meaningful difference for the students and families we serve. Thank you to everyone for your continued support to help bring out the best in everyone.



## Stay and Learns Year 3

**Spring Term**  
'Reading Picnic and Games'  
Wednesday 11<sup>th</sup> March 2026  
2.30pm-3.30pm



**Summer Term**  
'Egyptian Art'  
Wednesday 24<sup>th</sup> June 2026  
2.30pm-3.30pm



## Stay and Learns Year 6

**Spring Term**  
'SATS Preparation'  
Thursday 22<sup>nd</sup> January 2026  
2.30pm-3.30pm



**Summer Term**  
'Secondary School Transition'  
Thursday 11<sup>th</sup> June 2026  
2.30pm-3.30pm



## Stay and Learns Year 1

**Spring Term**  
'Phonics'  
Wednesday 7<sup>th</sup> January 2026  
YRHC @ 9am-10am



**Summer Term**  
'Mini Chefs'  
Monday 29<sup>th</sup> June 2026  
2.15pm-3.15pm



## Stay and Learns Year 2

**Spring Term**  
'Phonics Bingo'  
Friday 13<sup>th</sup> February 2026  
2.30pm-3.30pm



**Summer Term**  
'Botanical Art'  
Friday 12<sup>th</sup> June 2026  
2.30pm-3.30pm



## Stay and Learns EYFS

**Spring Term**  
'Curious Critters'  
Thursday 15<sup>th</sup> January 2026  
YRHC @ 9am-10am  
YRHS @ 10am-11am



**Summer Term**  
'Play and Learn in EYFS'  
Tuesday 21<sup>st</sup> April 2026  
YRHC @ 9.10am-10.10am  
Tuesday 28<sup>th</sup> April 2026  
YRHS @ 9.10am-10.10am



## Stay and Learns Year 5

**Spring Term**  
'Reading'  
Monday 19<sup>th</sup> January 2026  
9.05am-10.05am



**Summer Term**  
'Geography'  
Wednesday 8<sup>th</sup> July 2026  
9.05am-10.05am



## Stay and Learns Year 4

**Spring Term**  
'Maths'  
Wednesday 18<sup>th</sup> March 2026  
9.00am-10.00am



**Summer Term**  
'Art'  
Thursday 4<sup>th</sup> June 2026  
2.30pm-3.30pm



Designated Safeguarding Leads and Safeguarding Links

**Emergency Duty Team**  
(01204) 337777

Mrs Hodge Mr Abraham Mrs Abraham Mrs Hall

**Bolton Safeguarding Children**  
Keeping children safe in Bolton

**BOLTON SAFEGUARDING CHILDREN CONTACT BOARD** 01204 337479  
**REFERRAL & ASSESSMENT** 01204 331500 (9AM-5PM)

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## INSPIRE

Sir David Attenborough



Sir David Attenborough is an English broadcaster, writer and naturalist. He has written and narrated several documentaries which tackle the issue of global warming, and has received many awards for all of his work. He has received 2 knighthoods for his work in broadcasting and conservational awareness to try and save our planet.

## AMBITION

Dame Jane Goodall



Jane Goodall is English zoologist, primatologist and anthropologist and worked extensively on animal welfare issues. She is considered the world's foremost expert on chimpanzees, after 60 years' studying them in the wild, setting up the Jane Goodall Institute to protect chimpanzees and their habitats.

At Devonshire Road Primary children belong to one of four teams which are named after values from our school mission statement: Inspire, resilience, respect and ambition. Today, your child should come home with a coloured sticker so that you know which house your child belongs to. Children collect house points (or dojos) for doing great things throughout the week e.g. using their manners, being considerate to others, walking sensibly around school, trying hard with their work, completing their homework etc. These are then counted up across the school to see which house has got the most. The winner is announced each Friday in the newsletter and the headteacher assembly. Our fabulous Year 6 captains collect the medals. Year 6 house captains this year are:

Inspire: Sufyaan and Alexa

Resilience: Leya and Aleeza

Respect: Hawa and Smart

Ambition: Andrew and Dua

## RESILIENCE

Kong Man Jing



Kong Man Jing (known as Biogirl MJ) is the co-founder of the Science and Environment social media channel called "Just Keep Thinking", aimed at teaching people about sustainability in bite-sized videos. Previously she was a teacher of Science, before moving on to become an environmental influencer.

## RESPECT

Lesein Mutunkei



Lesein Mutunkei is a young footballer from Kenya who has a passion for the environment. He combined his love of football with his love of the environment, and promised to plant a tree every time he scored a goal, and increased this to 11 trees for every goal he scored. He is the founder of 'Trees4Goals' which aims to stop deforestation.

The team with the most medals in a half term is rewarded with a non-uniform day the following half term. KS2 are also split into their teams for Sports Day in the summer term and children compete to see which team is athletically the best that year!

Each year we change our team representatives. We like to choose famous people who are inspirational and emulate the value of that house. In previous years we have chosen musicians, sports personalities, scientists and engineers. This year we have chosen four inspirational environmentalists - see below for information.

## Staffing News

Welcome to Ms. Wooff (Y3), Ms. Awan (Y2/3) and Mrs. Ali (EYFS) who have all joined our staff team as Teaching Assistants this term. We are really pleased to welcome back Mrs. Ahmad and Mrs. Bullough from their maternity leaves - it is lovely to have their smiling faces around again. Talking about maternity leaves, we are thrilled to announce the birth of Miss. Hay's baby, Harrison! What a lucky little boy he is having Ms. Hay as a mum. And the final piece of news is that after a long and fruitful career at Devonshire Road Primary, Mrs. Smith has decided to now focus her time on tuition and online learning. We thank Mrs. Smith for all of her hard work over the last two decades and wish her all the best for the future.

Miss Awan



Mrs Ali



Miss Wooff



Harrison



Coming Soon to our After School Club...

Extended hours and wider community reach.

Further information be released very soon!

Everyday we serve up tasty & healthy tea options!



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A huge well done to Ariana, Rubab, Khadija, Ayat, Arifa, Mariam, Hiba and Nabeeha! The girls have been practising their dribbling, passing and learning lots of fantastic new skills — and it certainly paid off! They played some competitive and marvellous matches, winning 5 and only narrowly losing 1. What an achievement! They competed brilliantly against several other schools, showing great teamwork, determination and sportsmanship throughout. The adults were so kind and complimentary about our girls' skills and teamwork — we couldn't be prouder! It was also lovely to see some of the adults joining in the fun too! A big thank you to Miss Aspinall and Mrs Rani for giving the girls this wonderful opportunity.



Axel, Sarah, Rayaan, Zohan, Lilly-Louise, Jaden, Mohamad and Mahmoud went with Mrs Hall, Mrs Durkin & Miss Rooney to Bolton Arena to compete in a Comets Football Festival (SEND)

Lilly-Louise said they took part in the penalty shoot outs, they did lots of running and had to land on the coloured spots it was great fun! All children were delighted to receive a medal for their sportsmanship.



On Wednesday, the Devonshire Road Ambassadors and the Reading Ambassadors went on a trip to Bolton School to attend a Little People, BIG DREAMS World Book Day inspired event.

The children enjoyed listening to a biography about Roald Dahl and then created their own illustrations of him. Some of the children also dressed up as characters from the series, which made the day even more exciting and helped bring the stories to life.

The children behaved amazingly and represented our school wonderfully. We are very proud of them!



## Parent/Carers

Evenings



Wednesday 1st April and  
Thursday 2nd April

Please book using the MCAS  
App.



Our annual Enterprise Event will look a little different this year, with all year groups holding activities through the spring and summer term. Next week year 4 will be selling these wonderful Mother's Day gifts. Card payments can be made at the school office.



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Mrs Hodge, Mrs Keeler and Mrs Hartles made it to the Picture page of the Bolton news. You can access it [here](#).



## STORY EGGS COMPETITION!

YOU ARE INVITED TO CREATE A STORY EGG. THIS COULD BE A CHARACTER FROM A STORY OR A TOPIC YOU LOVE READING ABOUT.



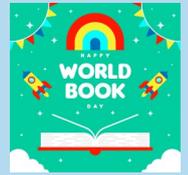
IF YOU WISH TO TAKE PART PLEASE BRING YOUR EGG IN TO SCHOOL BY MONDAY 30TH MARCH

HARD BOIL YOUR EGG BEFORE DECORATING

PIC•COLLAGE

There have been lots of activities in school this week to celebrate World Book Day. The children enjoyed:

- ◆ Drop and Read when the music plays
- ◆ Launch of the Story Eggs Competition
- ◆ Rapunzel visited EYFS
- ◆ Y2-Y6 visited the Reading Café
- ◆ Our Reading Ambassadors went to Bolton School for a Little People, Big Dreams session
- ◆ Children also dressed in some fabulous outfits on Thursday—thank you to everyone who made so much effort, we hope you enjoy the pictures, look out for more on our Facebook page.



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The Book Fair will be held in the hall next week.

Monday 3:30pm–4pm  
 Tuesday to Friday 8:40am–9am and 3:30pm–4pm

Card payments accepted.

SCHOLASTIC TRAVELLING BOOKS

*Your* **BOOK FAIR** is **ALMOST** **HERE**

Celebrate reading and earn **FREE BOOKS** for your school!

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| 30 Reads<br>Y2 Mia, <u>Fikayo</u> & Umar<br>50 Reads<br>Y1 <u>Fluh</u><br>Y2 Yahya<br>75 Reads<br>Y1 <u>Rayaan &amp; Hadi</u><br>Y2 Axelle, Ibrahim & Zachary<br>100 Reads<br>Year 1 Ava<br>125 Reads<br>Y2 Nihal & Hanig<br>150 Reads<br>Y2 Zahra | Evie J (YRH)<br>Isla M (Y2F)<br>Zain H (Y3A)<br>Carmen L (Y5H)<br>Mueez K (Y3G)<br>Arij F (Y1HB)<br>Abdullah H (YRH)<br>Musa A (YRH)<br>Naba B (Y6H)<br>Hashir H (Y1L)<br>Farhan W (Y2F) |
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This week we welcomed 3 new children to Devonshire Road—Shayan (YRHC), Uzo (Y2C) & Mahnoor (Y5C). We hope you have settled in well.



Y5H were awarded class of the week W/C 23/02/26 with an excellent 99.7% Attendance—Well done!



## Headteacher's Award

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| April B<br>Haider T<br><br>Chidubem C<br>Brooke F<br>Musa H<br>Zainab Y<br><br>Musa K<br>Safiyah A<br><br>Oliver B<br>Ammarah S<br><br>Muhammad AS<br><br>Mahnoor A<br>Nasteha A<br>Shahzaib A | YRHC For her fantastic story about a cat! Well done, April!<br>YRHS For creating and designing the most amazing Supertato and for being able to remember all the different parts of the story.<br>Y1L For writing an amazing prediction about what he thinks our new English book will be about! Great job!<br>Y1HBD For using the construction area thoughtfully during World Book Day to build a fantastic bridge for the troll! Well done, Brooke!<br>Y2C For using creative language in his diary writing.<br>Y2F For trying really hard during maths input, having a go at questions and getting more confident. I am proud of your resilience.<br>Y3A For always trying hard in class to answer questions and push himself to complete challenges. Well done and keep up the great attitude.<br>Y3G For representing our school brilliantly on her World Book Day trip. It was lovely to see Safiyah share her enthusiasm and the knowledge she gained on the trip.<br>Y4S For trying his best with Miss Aspinall in both maths and English this week.<br>Y4AT For always being a hardworking, friendly and conscientious pupil. You always try your best and are an absolute pleasure to teach.<br>Y5H For being an absolutely wonderful new member of Y5H! Muhammad is polite, well-mannered and kind. As well as this, he works hard and tries his best in every area of his learning. We are so happy to have you in our class!<br>Y5C For being an amazing, new member of our class! You have made such a good start—I can't wait to see where you fly!<br>Y6B For having lovely manners and always showing the correct behaviours.<br>Y6P For working diligently in all lessons and making brilliant progress in the recent assessments. For also being a good friend. |
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**BEE**   
**READY!**  
**Eat, Play, Learn.**



**Welcome to the Devonshire  
Road Breakfast Club!**



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## Kumon School Referral Scheme

An exclusive offer for Devonshire Road Primary School students.  
**Free registration** (worth £45) when you join Kumon Bolton and receive a **£20 voucher** for your school.

Referral code: **KPNSWJ**.

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If you are the parent/carer of an autistic child and are looking for advice and support to guide with their oral care, click the hyper link below. This is a really useful website, created by families, professionals and researchers, which offers tips and advice on brushing teeth, visiting the dentist and healthy eating and drinking.



Eating and drinking



Toothbrushing



Going to the Dentist



One step at a time



Dinner money is £2.65/day, £13.25/week.  
If you believe you may be entitled to free school meals, click [here](#) to read the criteria and find out how to apply. Ms Handley, in the school office, can help with your application.



If you are looking for a dentist for your child, click the graphic:



## Learning Links



**The School Reading List**

Suggested reading books for primary & secondary aged children in the UK



## Curriculum Links



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## International Women's Day

### Events at Bolton Central Library and Museum

#### Bedazzled Books & Brilliant Women

Monday 9 March, 5:15pm. £1 tickets available on Eventbrite.

Join us to decorate (or "bedazzle"! ) books written by female authors, share what we're reading, and swap recommendations with fellow book lovers.

#### The Brilliant Women of Bolton Tours

Tuesday 10 & Thursday 12 March, 10:30 am & 3:30pm. Free tickets available on Eventbrite.

This tour explores the achievements of remarkable women from our town —trailblazers and pioneers who have shaped our history and identity.

#### Women in Bolton's Archives Tours

Saturday 14 March, 10am & 2pm. Free tickets available on Eventbrite.

Delve into Bolton Town Archives with our Town Archivist to explore the rich history of some of the brilliant women who have shaped our town.

#### Lunchtime Talks: Women Who Made the Museum Collections

Tuesday 10, Wednesday 11 & Thursday 12 March, 1pm. Free and no need to book.

Bring your lunch for a fascinating talk spotlighting the incredible women behind Bolton's world-class museum collections.

## HEATON, LOSTOCK & CHEW MOOR COMMUNITY ALLIANCE



Come along to a friendly get-together where we explore how we build on existing community action and strengths in your area!

**Session 1: Thursday 5<sup>th</sup> March 2026** Time: 6.00pm  
Venue: Heaton Children's Centre, 73 New Hall Lane, BL1 5LF

**Session 2: Friday 27<sup>th</sup> March 2026** Time: 5.00pm  
Venue: Lady Bridge Community Centre, Beaumont Drive, BL3 4RZ

- 🌀 All Welcome - Local Residents, Community Groups, Social Enterprises, Faith Groups, Volunteers, and Businesses.....
- 🌀 Come along and get involved with your Community Alliance!
- 🌀 Refreshments provided- please let us know which session you plan to attend
- 🌀 Contact/Questions: [Lauren.Casey@bolton.gov.uk](mailto:Lauren.Casey@bolton.gov.uk)
- 🌀 Learn more: [www.Bolton.gov.uk/communityalliances](http://www.Bolton.gov.uk/communityalliances)



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## TOGETHERNESS NHS

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BABIES & CHILDREN ARE WELCOME!

### Winter Groups 2026

#### Tonge Family Hub

Starkie Road, BL2 2ED  
Mondays 10am-12pm starting 19th January

#### Harvey Family Hub

Shaw Street, BL3 6HU  
Tuesdays 10am-12pm starting 20th January

#### Farnworth Family Hub

King Street, BL4 7AP  
Thursdays 10am-12pm starting 22nd January

#### Oxford Grove Family Hub

Shepherd Cross Street, BL1 3BH  
Fridays 10am-12pm starting 23rd January



10 FREE SESSIONS

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## FOR TALLICE

We are here

- 25<sup>th</sup> February
- 4<sup>th</sup> March
- 11<sup>th</sup> March
- 18<sup>th</sup> March
- 25<sup>th</sup> March
- 1<sup>st</sup> April

10am - 12pm

At Harvey Children's Centre, Shaw Street, BL3 6HU

What support can we offer?

- Support and guidance for parents who are not feeling confident following a breakdown in relationship.
- Tips for managing your own and your children's feelings.
- Rebuilding relationships with your children following family conflict.

## Empower Parents

Positives we aim to achieve:

- Parents to feel equipped to manage difficult situations.
- Parents to understand their children's perspectives and have new strategies to support them.
- Building a parent peer support community.

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