

Friday 14
March
2024



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Weekly Newsletter

On Tuesday, Y5 visited Tatton Park for their Viking day! It was a super, informative day where the children learnt so much about their incoming topic! We are very proud of our wonderful year 5 as we received this super feedback from the staff at Tatton Park.

'Throughout the day, the staff noted that they were particularly impressed with the behaviour, attitude and intelligence of the pupils. They were polite, hard working and completely immersed themselves in learning experience on offer to them. For these reasons, they thought it was essential that I wrote to you to formally convey our thanks and appreciation. I think that far too often in life, people only ever take the time to give feedback when it's something negative, so we feel very passionately about passing on compliments; especially where young people are involved. Thank you again for choosing to visit Tatton Park and we hope to welcome you back very soon.'

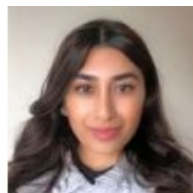


Staffing News

Today we say farewell to two of our lovely teaching assistants who are leaving us to pursue exciting new ventures outside of the primary school arena. Ms. Jackson will be now working for the NHS and will be supporting children who have to stay in hospital. We thank her for 22 years of exceptional service at Devonshire Road Primary School. Ms. Akram has given us 15 years of amazing service. She will be moving on to support children develop their reading skills at Rivington and Blackrod High School. Both staff members have worked tirelessly to provide excellent education for so many children. We are going to miss them around here but they will always be part of the Devonshire Road family. We have no doubt that they will be excellent in their new roles and we wish them lots of luck for the future.



Finally, we look forward to welcoming Ms. Ahmed to Devonshire Road after Easter, she will be teaching Y5C for the summer term while Mrs Clifton is on a sabbatical.



Congratulations to Mrs. Bullough on the arrival of her beautiful baby girl, Harper, on Wednesday! Wishing you and Mr. Bullough many joyful and cherished moments as a family.





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Dates for your Diary

Tuesday 18 March am
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Tuesday 25 March 9:30am
Wednesday 26 March 9am
Thursday 27 March 2pm
Tuesday 1 April All day
Wednesday 2 April 3:30pm
Thursday 3 April 3:30pm
Friday 4 April 3:30pm

Year 4 First Aid workshop
Year 6 Vaping and Smoking workshop
Rock Steady performance to parents and carers
Year 1 Stay and Learn
Autism Support Group
Year 3 History trip to Tatton Park
Parents and Carers Evening
Parents and Carers Evening
School closes for Easter break

Highlights of what is ahead in summer term # 1

Starting W/C 22/04	Y5 Swimming	W/C 12 May	Y6 SATs week
Tuesday 29 April	Y3 PE WOW	Friday 16 May	Y6 Shakespeare Festival launch
Thursday 1 May	Y4 PE WOW	Wednesday 21 May	Welcome Meeting for EYFS 2025 intake

Click the icon for term dates



Click the icon for more events



On Friday 21 March, we will be acknowledging World Down Syndrome Day. Children are asked to come into school wearing bright socks on that day.



Governors' Vision for Devonshire Road Primary School.

<https://youtu.be/R7X6OgbDHB0>



Registration for this year's Iron kids is now open (link below).

On Saturday 7 June, the children take centre stage for the World's largest Iron kids event. It costs £6.55 to enter, we always have lots of DRPS children who take part!

[IRONKIDS Bolton | IRONMAN](#)



Our choir have been busy rehearsing for the Schools' Music Festival in June.

They sound wonderful!

We will be inviting their parents/carers to watch them at an open rehearsal on Thursday 3 April at 3:30pm.

Some of our KS2 children made elephants at Smithills Hall a few weeks ago with other local cluster schools.

Their elephants will be proudly displayed at the library to celebrate

Bolton Town of Culture.



Date for your Diary

The next Autism Support Group is on Thursday 27 March at 2pm in schools. If you have a school-aged child (or older), then come along to our group and be supported by some experienced parents and carers. If you have any questions or require more information, please contact Mrs Durkin in year 2.



This Week in Year 6

As part of our RE unit on Christianity in year 6, the class took part in a hot seat activity whereby they stepped into role as Mary, Joseph and an interviewer to ask questions about Jesus. The class loved this activity and really put themselves into role asking some fantastic questions!



In art 6B explored 'photomontage'. The class looked at Hannah Hoch who was well known for producing unique and thought provoking images using photomontage. We then used magazines and newspapers to select our own images and create our very own composition. The children then annotated around their piece, explaining why they chose the images they did, what it reminds them of and why they arranged it in the way they did. We had a great afternoon and Mrs Hartles was very impressed and proud of the messages that their images portrayed.

This Week in EYFS

It's been a busy week in EYFS, on Monday our eggs arrived, the children patiently waited on Tuesday and Wednesday and when they arrive at school on Thursday morning they were all excited to see that 8 baby chicks had hatched! We also had a visit from our friendly local PCSOs Bhav and Paul. The children learnt all about their role and they had the chance to ask lots of questions and sit in the police car!



Today, our Y2 - Y6 children watched a 1 hour musical extravaganza which explored many of the parables of Jesus, bringing them to life like never before through energetic songs, interactive storytelling and lots of laughs.



Weekly Newsletter

Well done to Y3G who were Class of the Week for the second consecutive week with an excellent 99%.



335 of our children had 100% attendance last week.
Well done to all of you!

Whole school attendance to date:
95.31%

Class of the year to date:
Y3G
97.1%
Keep it up!

School	National average	Local average
95.33%	94.8%	94.9%

Well done everyone, keep it up!

IF YOUR CHILD IS FEELING UNDER THE WEATHER,
IT CAN BE HARD TO KNOW IF YOU SHOULD SEND THEM TO SCHOOL OR NOT.

UNLESS THEY HAVE A TEMPERATURE OF 38 DEGREES OR ABOVE, THEY'RE USUALLY GOOD TO GO.

SEARCH NHS SCHOOL ILLNESS GUIDANCE.

MOMENTS MATTER, ATTENDANCE COUNTS.

NHS

If you need any support with your child's attendance, please contact Mrs Hall our Learning Mentor and Attendance Lead.





Achievement Page



AMBITION Masie Summers-Newton



4th 253

INSPIRE Delicious Orié



2nd 304

RESILIENCE Kyle Kothari



1st 383

RESPECT Cindy Ngamba



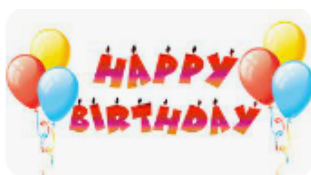
3rd 382



This week we
welcomed Umar to
Y2F.
We hope you have
settled in well!

Hadi Y (Y1HB)
Aliza A (Y5C)
Rubab H (Y3A)
Musa K (Y2C)
Charlie H (Y6P)

Ivy W (Y3G)
Celsie B (Y2C)
Hadi M (YRB)
Zainab S (Y2F)



30 Reads
Year 1 Zainab
Year 2 Noor
40 Reads
Year 2 Elizabeth
50 Reads
Year 2 Grace, Elena, Silas, Haider
and Lilly
75 Reads
Year 1 Maryam
Year 2 Leo
100 Reads
Year 1 Axelle
125 Reads
Year 2 Hamdi



A Reading Challenge Award was presented to:



Aliza A (Y5C) Bronze
Adham H (Y4AT) Silver
Joshua D (Y4AT) Gold



Headteacher's Award



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| Yusuf M | YRHS | For engaging so well in our English lessons by sharing his knowledge of new vocabulary. |
| Hadi M | YRB | For making fantastic progress with his letter formation. Well done, Hadi! |
| Hajrah Dua K | Y1HB | You have shown commitment and determination to improve your phonics skills. It is really showing in your reading and writing—well done! |
| Kamal A | Y1L | For showing a positive attitude towards his maths learning and always having a go! |
| Elizabeth A | Y2C | For demonstrating excellent understanding in reading. |
| Umar M | 2F | For making a really great start to your time at Devonshire Road. We are proud of how well you have settled into our class. Well done! |
| Callum M | Y3A | For working extremely hard to complete his work and showing wonderful debugging skills in his computing lessons. |
| Sorena A | Y3G | For having an excellent attitude in design and technology lessons. He has been very resilient and shown a growth mindset when practising his sewing skills. |
| Kasim A | Y4AT | For his perseverance and determination towards improving his sound and technique on the ukulele. Keep it up! |
| Aabiel P | Y4S | For a tremendous effort with his reading comprehension. |
| Ayanna H | Y5C | For getting fully involved during our trip to Tatton Park. You showed enthusiasm, a desire to learn and took as much from the trip as possible. |
| Mohamad I | Y5H | For being the best he can be in all of his lessons. He has made incredible progress. |
| Safaa A | Y6B | For producing a really thoughtful piece of art in our first photomontage lesson. Safaa selected different images from magazines and newspapers to portray an important message of 'everyone is different' and to 'always be yourself'. Well done Safaa! |
| Charlie H | Y6P | For showing quiet confidence in all lessons and making good progress especially in maths this week. |



Notices

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



Breakfast Club and After School Club

We are proud to offer excellent before and after-school provision during term time. Take a look at the information for each club here.



BREAKFAST CLUB

- Dinings at 7.45am
- £2.55 per session
- Healthy breakfast provided
- Activities and games on offer for children
- Drop-in sessions available - no need to book

AFTER SCHOOL CLUB

- Open from 3.30pm until 5.15pm
- £5 per session
- Payments required in advance
- Healthy snack provided
- Activities and games on offer for children
- Booking required

CHILDREN'S VIEWS

"I like Breakfast Club because it helps me get in to school on time."

"I really like the snacks we get, especially the bagels!"

"I enjoy playing with my friends and spending more time with them after school."

MORE INFO?

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Dinner money is now £2.55/day, £12.75/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.

School Dinners



KUMON
MATHS ENGLISH

BOLTON
STUDY CENTRE



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.

Just mention this offer to the Instructor when enrolling your child.

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Learning Links



Digimap®



SPaG

The School Reading List

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



Curriculum Links





EASTER SPORTS CAMP

14th - 17th April

08:30 - 17:00

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per day

For ages
5 to 13

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and experienced
coaches

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2025



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FOR AGES 5 TO 13 YEARS OLD
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- **SWIMMING CONDUCTED DAILY**
- **LED BY HIGHLY QUALIFIED AND EXPERIENCED COACHES**



DAY TRIP TO HAIGH WOODLAND PARK ON FRIDAY

***PACKED LUNCH IS REQUIRED**
***COACH LEAVES AT 9AM**



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