

# Weekly Newsletter



Tuesday 27 January 2026 AM  
Year 6 Trip to Crucial Crew



## A message from Bridget Phillipson



Dear Emma,

**Congratulations** to you and your team on the excellent outcomes the disadvantaged pupils at Devonshire Road Primary School achieved at the end of the 2024/25 academic year. Your school's performance places it among the very best nationally, and this is a significant achievement.

This success reflects the dedication of your staff and the hard work of your pupils. It shows what can be achieved when ambition and commitment come together. Thank you for everything you do to give children the best possible opportunities to succeed.

Your school's achievements demonstrate what is possible, and I hope you will continue to share your experience and best practice with others. Even the strongest schools can go further. We encourage you to lead the way as a system leader - sharing effective practice, championing networks, supporting collaboration, and helping raise standards across the sector.

There are real opportunities available for you to support improvement for a wider group of pupils including through:

- engaging actively with [your region's RISE networks](#) and partnering with nearby schools and trusts;
- contributing to regional roundtables and professional communities to spread the approaches that are working in your context; and
- sustaining excellence by continuing to focus on disadvantaged pupils

Please pass on my thanks and **congratulations** to your staff and pupils. I look forward to working with you as we strive together to raise standards for all.

Yours sincerely,

**Bridget Phillipson**  
Secretary of State for Education

Clear, consistent communication makes a real difference. Following our recent parent/carer survey from the Autumn term, we're proud to see that parent and carer satisfaction with communication at our school is much higher than the national average - reflecting our ongoing commitment to listening, sharing, and working together in partnership. We understand how important this is, and will continue to strive to get it right so we can have the biggest impact for you and your children.



## 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 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 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 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 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 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



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

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In Year 5's Reading Stay and Learn, we talked about how and when we read, we had to be detectives and hunt for clues to help us when answering questions about the text. We practised these detective skills by solving riddles about famous people and characters. Some children even had a go at writing their own riddles and sharing them with everybody! We also discussed different genres and how discovering genres and places that we enjoy reading, will help develop our love for reading. Thank you to all parents and carers who attended.

Mrs Crowder and Mrs Durkin took six Year 6 children - Alexa, Muluba, Tyrese, Smart, Shozaib and Ahmad - to a 'Glow in the Dark' Dodgeball tournament at Thornleigh on Wednesday. The children behaved impeccably, showed great sportsmanship and played well together as a team. They won most of their games and had lots of fun playing dodgeball in the dark! Well done to you all.



On Thursday Year 6 held their stay and learn session, which was focussed on SATs and how parents and carers can best support their children in the run up to the SATs. The children showed off their skills in answering a range of questions on LBQ - which is an online bank of questions that helps children to become proficient at answering different types of questions. We spent 10 minutes each answering maths, reading and grammar questions.

The parents had some interesting questions about SATs and were pleased with how the session went. We also informed parents and carers that during SATs week (w.c. 11<sup>th</sup> May) there will be a free breakfast club for all Year 6 children. We encourage all children to try and attend as it will help them to relax and be prepared for the day.



Well done to Silas Y3A for achieving his Jujitsu grading, he has now moved on to yellow belt!

This week we welcomed Shah-Veer YRHS & Helena Y1HB to Devonshire Road. We hope you have settled in well.



A gentle reminder that snacks brought in from home must be healthy options and contain NO nuts. Thank you for your support.

Great news! We are now registered to the Government's Tax Free Childcare Scheme. This allows eligible working parents/carers with children aged 11 or under to claim up to £2,000 per child each year towards their childcare costs. More information can be [accessed here](#).

Childcare  
Choices

Thank you to everyone who attended this week's Autism Support Group, we hope you found this useful. Our next meeting will take place in April. More information to be shared shortly.

Teddy T (Y3G)  
Rifqah A (Y4AT)  
Moiz A (Y6P)  
Noor-Al-Haya A (Y3A)  
Musa H (Y2F)  
Yahya M (Y2F)  
Janat N (Y1L)  
Muhammad Zayd A (Y3A)  
Jannat Ali R (Y1HBD)  
Ibrahim A (Y4AT)



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DON'T FORGET  
YOUR HEALTHY  
SNACK.

**WARNING!**  
**NO NUTS**





# Weekly Newsletter



## AMBITION

Dame Jane Goodall



2nd

## INSPIRE

Sir David Attenborough



2nd

## RESILIENCE

Kong Man Jing



1st

## RESPECT

Lesein Mutunkei



3rd

## Bronze

Ibrahim A (Y4S)

Silver

Abdur Rahman D (Y6H)

Rosie W (5C)

## Gold

Menaal H (Y5C)

Alice H (Y5C)



20 Reads

Year 2—Mia

30 Reads

Year 1—Jacob Year 2—Burhan

40 Reads

Year 1—Jayce Year 2—Harrison

50 Reads

Year 1—Abdulaziz

75 Reads

Year 1—Ava Year 2—Alayna

100 Reads

Year 2—Kit

175 Reads

Year 2—Musa (2C)



Y2F were Class of the Week, W/C 11/02/2026, with 98.6% Attendance.



## 2026 is the 'Year of Reading'

Remember to send us your pictures of your child reading for the newsletter and to share with their class. You can find lots of useful reading resources if you click on the icon.



## Headteacher's Award



Aiden J	YRHC	For always trying his best and for being a kind friend. Well done, Aiden!
Isa A	YRHS	For showcasing your fantastic knowledge of minibeasts and for making your very own minibeast shelter.
Elijah O	Y1L	For being an amazing role model for the other children in his class by being the best he can be.
Raina L	Y1HBD	Raina has shown a fantastic attitude to learning this week. She persevered with maths when it felt challenging and her hard work really paid off. Her handwriting has also been amazing. Well done, Raina!
Hadi R	Y2C	For bringing positivity to Year 2 every day!
Muhammad A	Y2F	For super effort and trying your best in our new multiplication unit in maths. Well done!
Viraaj V	Y3A	For being a wonderful member of our class. He is amazing at reading and is always up for a challenge in maths too. Keep being a great role model!!!
Ali A	Y3G	For being a maths expert when dividing two digit numbers by one digit numbers. He has an amazing calculator brain.
Dhairya K	Y4S	For working really hard at his writing.
Ibrahim A	Y4AT	For super effort and resilience with his writing.
Mya B-L	Y5H	For working really hard with her multiplication and division this week.
Rayan M	Y5C	For using fantastic, accurate vocabulary in Maths and applying it to your learning.
Rory H	Y6HB	For having a wonderful attitude to his learning this week. Rory has come in every day and embraced everything we have been doing, including our Y6 assessments. Because of this superb outlook, he has produced some fantastic work and achieved excellent results! Well done, Rory!
Lucas H	Y6P	For being an absolute all round superstar. You have demonstrated maturity, responsibility, kindness and empathy and continue to be a positive role model for your peers. Keep it up!

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**BEE**  
**READY!**  
**Eat, Play, Learn.**



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



**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.

☎ 07570 098197 ✉ [bolton@kumoncentre.co.uk](mailto:bolton@kumoncentre.co.uk)

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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



**Digimap®**



**The School Reading List**

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



## Curriculum Links



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## TOGETHERNESS NHS

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### 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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to book



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POWERED BY  
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HOST

## Walk & Talk

For dads & dads-to-be.  
Babies and children  
welcome!



Friday 30<sup>th</sup> January 2026



11.00 - 12.00



Moss Bank Park, Bolton,  
BL1 6LU. (main car park)

Bolton

Together

Let us know if you're coming at  
[GM Events Booking Page](#)



## Bolton Family Hubs

GET A FREE COPY OF THE GUIDE FROM  
YOUR LOCAL FAMILY HUB OR LIBRARY

Do you live in Bolton and are you...

- Expecting a baby?
- A family with a baby, toddler, or young adult (0-19 years)?
- A family with a child with SEND (0-25 years)?

This guide details all the FREE local services and activities  
happening right across the borough.



Find us online

[www.boltonfamilyhubs.org.uk](http://www.boltonfamilyhubs.org.uk)



## GUIDE TO SERVICES AND ACTIVITIES FOR FAMILIES IN BOLTON

EDITION: SEPTEMBER TO DECEMBER 2025



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