

Friday
26
September
2025



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Weekly Newsletter

As a school, we are recognising and celebrating **Fairtrade Fortnight**. At our "Meet the Teacher" coffee mornings, we've been serving Fairtrade tea, coffee and biscuits, and the children have done a fantastic job running a Fairtrade stall, selling products from our local Fairtrade shop, **Justicia**. We also had a brilliant assembly today from the team at **Justicia**, who talked to the children about what Fairtrade is and why it is important to support farmers and workers by choosing Fairtrade products.

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Fairtrade Stall



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A variety of Fairtrade products will be available to buy, including chocolate, pens, bamboo flutes, friendship bracelets, and many other lovely items. Please bring small change, if possible, as this will help us serve everyone more quickly. All proceeds support Fairtrade and the important work it does around the world. Thank you for your support.



FAIRTRADE FORTNIGHT

22 September to
5 October 2025



On Wednesday, Mrs Branagan and Mrs Durkin accompanied eight Year 6 pupils to a cross-country event at Moss Bank Park – the first of three runs they will take part in over the coming weeks. With many schools competing, there were huge numbers of children taking part. Our runners showed fantastic determination and resilience, performing brilliantly throughout. Well done to you all – we look forward to seeing you give it your all again next week !



Our next **Autism Support Group** will be held in school on **Thursday 13th November at 2pm**. Everyone is welcome to join us. If you haven't been before, we are a friendly group of parents/carers (past and present) and staff who have children, or in some cases grown up children, on the autistic spectrum. Together, we share a wide range of experiences and offer support to one another. Please come along for a chat, a coffee and a slice of cake.

For more information please contact Jane Durkin, TA year 2.



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Emergency Duty Team

(01204) 337777

Mrs Hodge Mr Abraham Mrs Abraham Mrs Hall

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REFERRAL & ASSESSMENT
01204 331500 (9AM-5PM)

This week, as part of their geography curriculum, our Y4 children went to Burrs Country park to investigate the different parts of the river and discover where it runs faster and slower!

Abdullah said when they arrived it was a bit muddy. The children enjoyed throwing apples into the lake to check the current of the water. Some went fast but some went slow. Ariana enjoyed looking at the waterfalls, where the apples dropped down soooo fast! Abdullah enjoyed the park visit at the end of the trip most. The weather was lovely, the lake and river were very full.



This week, it was wonderful to welcome 9 new children to Devonshire Road, Arya and Abdulrahman (Y1L), Esam and Janat (Y2C), Yahya (Y3A), Arifa (Y4S), Ruqia (Y4AT) and Arham (Y6HB). We hope you have settled in well!



Happy birthday to the following children who celebrated this week:

Musa (Y2C)
Abdur Rahman (Y6HB)
Fatima (Y4S)
Stuart (Y2C)
Raabia (YRHS)
Mahnoor (Y4S)
Zarah (Y4S)
Ibrahim (Y2F)
Adham (Y2C)





Dates for your Diary

Autumn Term 1

W/C 22 September	2 weeks	Fairtrade Fortnight
W/C 29 September	all week	Poetry Week
Monday 29 September	all day	Y4 & 5 Poetry Workshop
Tuesday 30 September	am	Y6 Poetry Writing session
Wednesday 1 October	all day	Y1 & 2 Poetry Workshop
Wednesday 1 October	4pm	Cross Country Moss Bank Park (selected children)
Thursday 2 October	all day	Dommy B in school for National Poetry Day
Thursday 2 October	am/pm	Poetry performance to parents/carers see below
Thursday 2 October	pm	Y3 Poetry Workshop
Monday 6 October	am	Harvest donation begin
Monday 6 October	all day	Great Big Clean Up
Monday 6 October	am	Y1 Bolton Library Service History lesson
Thursday 9 October	9:00am	LKS2 Big Foot Arts Education Assembly
Thursday 9 October	1:00pm	UKS2 Big Foot Arts Education Assembly
Friday 10 October	9:00am	Harvest Assembly
Monday 13 October	all day	Y5C Bikeability
Monday 13 October	am	Walk to School Scheme launch
Tuesday 14 October	all day	Y5C Bikeability
Wednesday 15 October	all day	Y5H Bikeability
Wednesday 15 October	am	Y5 & 6 Wrestling Competition
Thursday 16 October	all day	Y5H Bikeability
Thursday 16 October	am	KS2 Pentathlon Tournament
W/C 20 October	all week	Scholastic Book Fair in Hall
Wednesday 22 October	3:30pm	Parent/Carer Evening
Thursday 23 October	all day	Individual and Sibling Photographs
Thursday 23 October	3:30pm	Parent/Carer Evening
Friday 24 October	3:30pm	School closes for half term break
Monday 3 November	8:45am	School re-opens for autumn term #2

Click the icon for term dates

Click the icon for more events



Poetry Festival Week – A Celebration of Words and Creativity!

Next week promises to be an exciting and inspiring time as we celebrate our much-anticipated Poetry Festival!

We'll begin the week with a very special assembly, where school staff and parents will take to the stage to share their favourite poems and performances. It's always a highlight to see our community come together in such a joyful way.

Throughout the week, children will enjoy fantastic confidence-boosting workshops led by the talented team from the Octagon Theatre Company, as well as sessions with our favourite poet, Dommy B. These workshops are designed to spark creativity, build self-belief, and, of course, inspire a love for poetry.

The festival will conclude on **Thursday** with two very special performance events for **parents/carers**:

Year 1 & Year 2 will perform at 9:00am

Years 3–5 will perform at 2:50pm

We can't wait to see the children's creativity shine on stage – it's sure to be a wonderful week full of rhythm, rhyme, and imagination!





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All Y6 parents/carers, it's time to choose your child's secondary school! Open Day/Evening information can be found below. The application deadline is 31 October 2025, you can apply online [here](#). If you need any support with your application, please contact Ms Handley in the school office.



**Sharples
SCHOOL**

**Open Events
2025**

Open Evening Thursday 25th September 4.00pm-7.00pm	Open Mornings Tues 30th Sept and Weds 1st Oct 9.15am-11.00am
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**Bolton Muslim
GIRLS' SCHOOL**

Tuesday, October 14, 2025

Session 1 9:30am and Session 2 2:00pm


<https://www.bmgs.prospermat.co.uk/BMGS-Open-Day-Sept-2025-Start/>



**UNIVERSITY
COLLEGIATE
SCHOOL**

Thursday 2 October

4:00pm—7:00pm




Eden Boys


Open Evening

Thursday 2nd October 2025

5pm-8pm



**BOLTON
SCHOOL**



**Whole School
Open Morning**

**Saturday 11 October
2025 9.30am-1.45pm**

Stay and Learns Autumn term

EYFS and Y1

Tuesday 7th October
9am-10am
National Numeracy Maths Workshop

Year 2

Wednesday 12th November
9am-10am
DT - Vehicles

Year 3

Wednesday 26th November
2.30pm-3.30pm
DT - Sliders and Levers

Year 4

Monday 10th November
9am-10am
Reading

Year 5

Friday 21st November
2pm-3.15pm
Maths

Year 6

Thursday 27th November
2.30pm-3.30pm
iPad usage for progress and outcomes



**Please speak to your
child's class teacher
for more
information.
We look forward to
seeing you there!**



Well done to Y1L and Y4S who were both Class of the Week for the week ending 19 September with an outstanding 100%!



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

Whole school attendance to date:
96.8%

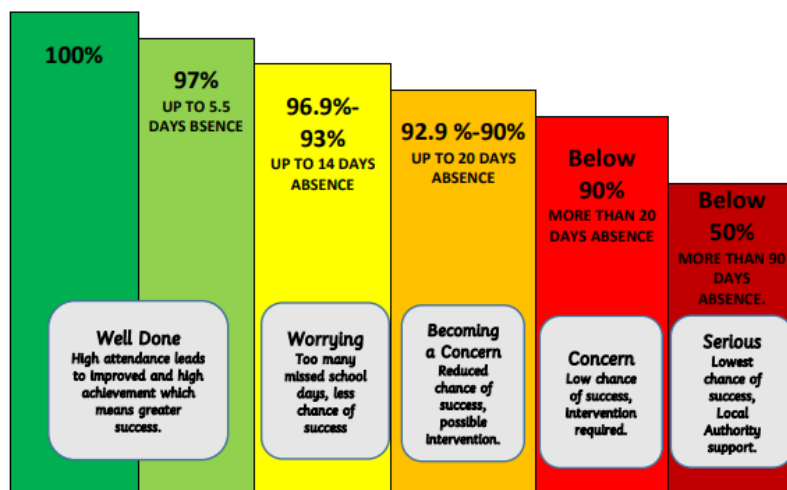
Class of the year to date:
Y4S
99.9%
Keep it up!



If you need any support with your child's attendance, please contact Mrs Hall our Learning



How we Rate Attendance





Achievements Page

AMBITION

Dame Jane Goodall



4th 225 points

INSPIRE

Sir David Attenborough



2nd 291 points

RESILIENCE

Kong Man Jing



3rd 264 points

RESPECT

Lesein Mutunkei



1st 298 points

If your child has achieved something amazing out of school, not just in sport, it can be anything, don't forget to send us an email so that we can celebrate and share with the whole school community!

School's Out Activities



Bronze

Abdullah A (Y5C)

Platinum

Abdullah A (Y5C)



EYFS Teddy Bear Readers

Remember to read with your child at least three times a week, for a paw print stamp, certificates and prizes!



10 Reads

Year 2

Musa H, Ibrahim, Alayna, Hadi, Iris, Delilah, Yahya, Stuart, Hania, Reuben, Bakr, Zahra, Farhan, Mustafa, Jacob, Axelle and Muhammad I

20 Reads

Year 2

Reuben, Musa, James and Raniya



Headteacher's Award



Yahya A	YRHS	For being a creative and independent member of the class and for your super mark making skills!
Tayyab A	YRHC	For being a fantastic role model in the classroom. Well done, Tayyab!
Ayra H	Y1L	For already gaining her confidence with exploring her new year 1 classroom and being an excellent addition to Y1L
Elyh C	Y1HBD	For being so enthusiastic and confident during our poetry performance rehearsal.
Essa A-F	Y2C	For always trying his best—making a big effort with his sentence writing, in particular, this week.
Mahnoor H	Y2F	For a wonderful re-tell of the story of Grandad's Island. You included lots of amazing vocabulary and remembered all your basic skills! Well done.
Celsie B	Y3A	For her hard working attitude and resilience during lessons. Keep up the great attitude.
Malak K	Y3G	For using some fabulous vocabulary when writing expanded noun phrases in English. I am super impressed with her description of Matilda's appearance.
Khadija K	Y4AT	For always being exceptional. You are hard-working, kind, resilient and an absolute pleasure to teach.
Ivy W	Y4S	For a consistently positive effort in lessons and excellent behaviour for learning.
Iman B	Y5C	For super editing work in English this week. I am impressed with how hard you are working.
Safa M	Y5H	For being kind, curious and the best she can be in everything she does. She is a role model for others! Well done Safa!
Sara A	Y6HB	For just being a wonderful, kind and thoughtful person. Sara is the ultimate role model.
Autumn D	Y6P	For reading with enthusiasm on Reading Plus and getting her first reward. And for giving 100% in class and staying focused. Keep it up!



Notices



EYFS Open Evening

Thursday 6th November 2025

4:00-6:00pm

If your child is due to start EYFS in September 2026, come and visit us for a tour of our school between the above times.



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The Department for Education's blog provides lots of useful information for families of children attending early years and school settings. You can access the blog [here](#).

[Blog](#)

The Education Hub

Department
for Education



Year 5 swimming starts next week, please ensure they have their kit on them every Tuesday.



Y5C	Y5H
Tuesday 30 th September 10.15am-11am	Tuesday 30 th September 11am-11.45am
Tuesday 7 th October 10.15am-11am	Tuesday 7 th October 11am-11.45am
Tuesday 21 st October 10.15am-11am	Tuesday 21 st October 11am-11.45am
Tuesday 4 th November 10.15am-11am	Tuesday 4 th November 11am-11.45am
Tuesday 11 th November 10.15am-11am	Tuesday 11 th November 11am-11.45am
Tuesday 18 th November 10.15am-11am	Tuesday 18 th November 11am-11.45am
Tuesday 25 th November 10.15am-11am	Tuesday 25 th November 11am-11.45am
Tuesday 2 nd December 10.15am-11am	Tuesday 2 nd December 11am-11.45am
Tuesday 9 th December 10.15am-11am	Tuesday 9 th December 11am-11.45am
Tuesday 16 th December 10.15am-11am	Tuesday 16 th December 11am-11.45am



Notices

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



BEE
READY!
Eat, Play, Learn.



Welcome to the Devonshire Road Breakfast Club!



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.

[Home | toothPASTE Study](#)



Eating and drinking



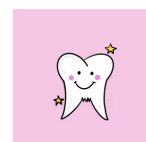
Toothbrushing



Going to the Dentist



One step at a time



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www.kumon.co.uk/bolton

*Terms and Conditions apply**

Dinner money will be **£2.65/day**, **£13.25/week** from **September**. 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 you application.

School Dinners



Learning Links



Digimap



The School Reading List

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



Curriculum Links



WHAT IS CHILD FINANCIAL EXPLOITATION ?

Have you got your own bank account? Do you have a bank card? If you do, you need to know about CFE.

CHILD FINANCIAL EXPLOITATION or **CFE** for short, is when criminals groom children, so they can exploit them and use their bank accounts to commit crimes like money laundering or fraud.

They want to hide money made from crime, and they use children and young people to do this.

USING PEOPLE LIKE THIS IS A CRIME AND IT IS ABUSE!

LOOK OUT FOR!



A stranger or "new friend" asks for your bank account details.

They message you through games or social media.

Promise of "easy money" for doing nothing.

They ask you to open a bank account or use your card.

Tell you not to tell your parents or teachers.

HOW TO STAY SAFE



Don't share your bank account or card details with anyone.

Never agree to receive or send money for someone.

Tell a trusted adult if someone makes you feel unsure.

Block and report strangers who ask you weird questions online.

Remember... real jobs don't ask you to move money!

IF YOU ARE WORRIED REMEMBER...

To tell a parent, teacher, or trusted adult right away.

They can help you check if the person is trustworthy or if they are trying to get you to do something wrong.

They can help you report something suspicious to the police.

The police will listen, they will not judge you and they will help.

If something feels strange or makes you uncomfortable,

YOU HAVE THE POWER TO SAY NO!

You can be smart. You can be strong. You can protect yourself and your friends and you can....



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08:30 - 17:00

FOR AGES 5-13
From £29 per day

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Providing NHS services

Bolton Immunisation Team Autumn Newsletter: Information for parents


Intrahealth has a dedicated School Aged Immunisation Team made up of highly skilled staff who are experienced in offering vaccinations to all school aged children in Bolton.

What vaccinations should I expect my child to receive this term?

From the 1st of September to the 12th of December, the Immunisation Team will be delivering the Flu Vaccination Programme to all children and young people from Reception Class to

FIVE REASONS WHY IT IS IMPORTANT TO HAVE THE FLU VACCINE?

- 1. It protects your child**
Flu can be very unpleasant in children causing a high temperature, aching muscles and joints and a sore throat. The vaccine will help protect your child against flu and serious complications such as bronchitis and pneumonia.
- 2. It protects you, your family, and friends**
Vaccinating your child will help protect more vulnerable friends and family.
- 3. No injection is needed**
The nasal spray is painless and easy to have.
- 4. It is better than having flu**
The nasal spray helps protect against flu, has been given to millions of children worldwide and has an excellent safety record.
- 5. Avoids costs**
If your child gets flu, you may have to take time off work or arrange alternative childcare.



What do I need to do now?

- You should have received your child's Flu Vaccination Form last week.
- Included in this letter is a link to the leaflets, which are available in different languages.
- Please can you return the consent form/refusal form ASAP
- Please can you return the consent form, even if you do not want your child to receive these vaccinations, so we can update our records accordingly.

For more information about conditions and vaccines visit: www.nhs.uk/conditions/vaccinations/
If you have any questions, please contact the immunisation team who can offer advice or assistance.

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