

Friday  
15  
October  
2021



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## Pumpkin Day

Today is Pumpkin Day! We've been having a wonderful time, dressed in all sorts of pumpkin colours! EYFS, Year 1 and Year 2 heard the story of The Little Wonky Pumpkin, read by Mrs Ingram, and all the children have loved joining in with fun "pumpkinspired" activities, such as pumpkin colouring, crafts, story-writing, and even pumpkin patch hunting in EYFS! The children are all welcome to join a competition to design a pumpkin (KS1) or design a new book cover for the story (KS2). Please make sure entries are returned to school before Friday 22nd October!



Today, Breakfast club have been celebrating pumpkin day in style, we have been pumpkin carving, making pumpkin cakes and even pumpkin pass the parcel! What a very busy and fun morning!



Meanwhile at toddler group ...



## Dates for Your Diary

Mon 18 Oct	Y6 Debt Aware Workshops
Tues 19 Oct	Y5 Anti-racism workshop
Wed 20 Oct	Governor morning
Wed 20 Oct	Nasal flu vaccinations
Thurs 22 Oct	Y4 Anti-racism workshop
Fri 22 Oct	School closes 3:30pm for half term
Mon 1 Nov	School re-opens for half term 2

## Our Governing Board

Regardless of the slight changes to in-school procedures, our Governor Morning will be going ahead next Wednesday albeit remotely rather than face to face. Governors will be looking at the school's provision for Geography and Early Years. Feedback will be shared with parents/carers on next weeks newsletter.



## The Education Hub

To find out lots of useful information about education in England visit The Department for Education blog:

[The Education Hub \(blog.gov.uk\)](https://www.blog.gov.uk/)

## Safeguarding Links

### BOLTON SAFEGUARDING CHILDREN CONTACT BOARD

01204 337479

### REFERRAL & ASSESSMENT

9AM-5PM

01204 331500

### EMERGENCY DUTY TEAM (AFTER 6PM)

01204 337777

<http://boltonsafeguardingchildren.org.uk>

Our designated safeguarding leads are:



Mrs Hodge



Mr Abraham



Mrs Abraham



Mrs Hall





## Tag Rugby Competition

Mrs Cooper was so, so proud of the Year 6 children which took part in a Tag Rugby Tournament on Wednesday afternoon at Westhoughton Rugby Club. They showed great resilience, excellent listening skills and manners, but above all outstanding sportsmanship. Well done!



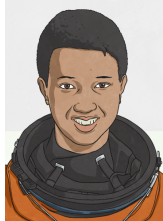
## Celebrating Black History Month

As we head towards the end of Black History Month, we thought it was an ideal time to highlight the some inspirational black men and women.



**George Washington Carver**  
1861-1943

George Washington Carver was born as a slave in Missouri, America. He became an agricultural scientist and inventor and helped poor farmers improve the soil on their land in order to grow better crops. Carver also developed hundreds of products using peanuts, sweet potatoes and soybeans.



**Dr Mae Jemison**  
1956 - present day

Dr Mae Jemison was born in Alabama, USA. Mae developed an interest in science from a very early age. Following a career in medicine, she was selected by NASA for astronaut training. Mae became the first African American woman to travel in space when she went into orbit aboard the Space Shuttle Endeavour on the 12<sup>th</sup> September, 1992.



**John Edmonstone**  
1793 - ??? (date of death unknown)

John Edmonstone was a freed Black slave from Guyana, South America. He lived in Edinburgh and taught the art of **taxidermy** to students at Edinburgh University. One of his students was Charles Darwin. The taxidermy skills and knowledge of the natural world that Darwin learned from John were essential during his voyage aboard H.M.S. Beagle in 1831, allowing Darwin to study animals in close detail.

**Taxidermy** — The art of preparing, stuffing and mounting the skins of dead animals to look lifelike.



**Barack Obama**  
1961 - present day

Barack Obama was born in Hawaii on 4<sup>th</sup> August 1961. His father is from Kenya and his mother is from Kansas.

On 4<sup>th</sup> November 2008, he became the 44<sup>th</sup> American President. He is the first African-American president in the United States of America.



**Nelson Mandela**  
1918 - 2013

Nelson Mandela was the first Black South African President. He spent 27 years in prison for trying to change things so that both Black and White people had equal rights. Many people around the world thought he was a hero and respected him for his courage and wisdom in bringing people together and living in peace.



**Rosa Parks**  
1913-2005

Rosa Parks was born in America and, as a child, she was used to having to sit at the back of a bus because she had Black skin but she didn't think that this was fair. One day on a bus, she refused to give her seat to a White person just because she was Black. She was arrested by the police and fined for breaking the rules but other Black people and some White people agreed with Rosa and made this clear to the American government. Eventually, they changed the rule and Black people no longer had to sit in a separate section of the bus or give up their seat to someone just because of the colour of their skin.



## A Big Happy Birthday

On Saturday we wished a happy 60th birthday to Mrs Smith. We hope she had a wonderful day.

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## IQ Cards

Your child should have brought home their festive IQ card designs today. If you would like to order any of the gift items, please complete and return your order form together with payment by...

*(Cash/Cheques payable to Devonshire Road Primary School only)*

## Year 5 Design and Technology

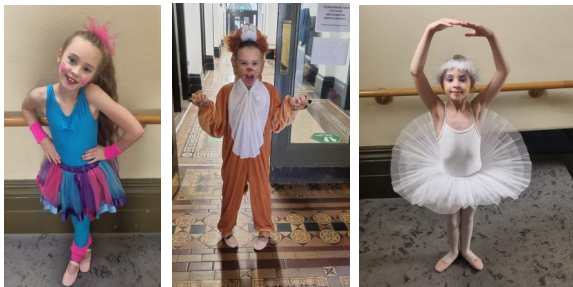
Over the last few weeks, our Eco members have been working hard to consciously turn off taps, lights and boards when they are on unnecessarily. This is a job which is so important every day to decrease the amount of electricity we use!

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### Out of School Achievements

Alice (Y3I) performed on stage at the Albert Hall Tuesday and Wednesday this week in a 'Born to Perform' Showcase.



Layla (Y6C) sent in photos for her out of school achievement this weekend. Altogether her friends and family raised £1,795 for the Rainbow Clinic which is a maternal and fetal research clinic at St Mary's Hospital, Tommy's the charity help fund grieving parents experiences a lot better for the next expecting pregnancy a comfortable one after a Stillbirth from 24 weeks with the help of testing and research which hopefully one day Stillbirths will not be as common as they are. After the rain there will always be a Rainbow!!!



### Online Safety

Thank you to all the parents/carers who have signed up to National Online Safety and have begun to take advantage of these resources. If you have not signed up, please follow this link:

<https://nationalonlinesafety.com/enrol/devonshire-road-primary-school>

If you log in and go into the 'watchlist' section - please complete the resource called 'Annual Certificate in Online Safety' for your child's Key stage. They take about 40 minutes but can be completed in sections. This resource is essential for supporting you and your children at home with Online Safety. Thanks.



### Additional measures to keep our community safe







#### From 18<sup>th</sup> October 2021



Public Health Bolton and the Bolton Education Department are concerned with rising levels of COVID in the school age population in Bolton. Even though **we are not currently** experiencing this in our school, we are being asked to implement further measures in order to minimise the growing risk. Please see the changes in school starting from next week and continuing until the end of December.

#### Parents and carer changes

Masks	Parent/carer evening	Positive Cases	Book Fair
 <p>Parents and carers are encouraged to wear masks when entering school grounds.</p>	 <p>These will now all be conducted by telephone only. If you were booked to come in to school, you will be called at the same time.</p>	 <p>If there is a positive case in your household, you are advised to all get everyone tested <b>at a testing centre</b>. Following a negative result, siblings can attend school. <b>However, we are asking that siblings take a daily lateral flow test for the next 10 days.</b></p>	 <p>The children only will be able to look around the fair in school time. Orders for books can be sent to school with payment if you wish to make a purchase (details to follow).</p>

#### Changes in school

Visitors	Lunchtimes	Nativity	Staff	trips	Clubs
 <p>Single visitors, volunteers and outside agencies will be allowed to come into school but we will encourage twice weekly LFT tests and distancing where possible.</p>	 <p>Most KS2 children will go back to eating their dinners in the classroom to allow for distancing in the hall.</p>	 <p>Is likely to be filmed with no live audience.</p>	 <p>Staff and volunteers will be asked to wear masks in communal areas.</p>	 <p>Will go ahead where children aren't mixing with other schools.</p>	 <p>Clubs will continue but this may change if there is a spike in numbers. <b>After school club</b> will stay open but we are unable to extend the numbers by anymore. There continues to be enough capacity in <b>breakfast club</b>.</p>





## Key Stage 2 Reading Challenge Awards

Congratulations to Aisha A (Y3A) who achieved her bronze award this week and received a bookmark and to Sarah A (Y4HB) who achieved her silver award, Sarah received a notepad and pencil along with her certificate.



## Secondary Applications

If your child is in year 6, the deadline for secondary applications is Sunday 31st October. If you require any support with your application, please contact Ms Handley in the school office:

[Secondary school places – Bolton Council](#)

## Birthday Wishes

The following children celebrated their birthdays this week. We hope you all had a wonderful time.

**Sibtain S (YRL)**

**Zaynab A (Y4HB)**

**Aa'isha M (Y4HB)**

**Malak A (Y2N)**

**Ammar A (Y4W)**

**Hashim T (Y6B)**

**Lina R (Y3I)**

**Ayesha J (Y5D)**

**Haroon A (YRB)**

**Mia M (Y5M)**



## Superhero Readers

## Bronze

**Maryam, Ruqayyah, Rae, Ariana, Grace and**

**Ismail (EYFS)**

**Marcel (Y1G)**

**Haniya (Y1S)**

**Mahmoud Y2C)**

**Hawa (Y2N)**

## Silver

**Ammarah, Jabran and Ava (EYFS)**

**Safiyah and Zain (Y1G)**

**Noor, Jack and Sarah (Y1S)**

**Autumn (Y2N)**

**Raees, Peter, Haadi and Ismail (Y2C)**

## Gold

**Sara (Y2C)**

**Jake, Maryam and Veer Y2N)**

## School Photographs

Reminder: the deadline for ordering school photographs is Monday 1 November. If your child was absent on photo day we have arranged for the photographer to come in and catch up on those missed on Tuesday 19 October.

## Head Teacher Awards W/E 15 October 2021

**Nimo A (YRAB)** For being a super star and recognising her numbers quickly and confidently.

**Sibtain S (YRL)** For coming up with some amazing sentences to describe the position of Leaf Man on different picture scenes.

**Adan A (Y1S)** For trying really hard to blend in phonics and for being a fantastic drawer.

**Azaan A (Y1G)** For presenting his work beautifully, using his best handwriting and neatest drawing.

**Sayyadain (Y2C)** For making a big improvement with his handwriting and presentation in English.

**Safah A (Y2N)** For working hard to understand how to compare number sentences. Solving problems effectively and accurately.

**Jonah B (Y3A)** For writing amazing sentences for his Mary Anning biography.

**Olivia E (Y3I)** For getting creative in writing, constructing your own unique sentences with some excellent vocabulary.

**Sarah A (Y4HB)** For always being kind, curious and the best you can be! You are amazing!

**Rayan C (Y4W)** For always being ready first and setting a great example to his peers.

**Ayesha D (Y5D)** For her hard work and determination when learning the formal method of division. Well done!

**Ayesha K (Y5M)** For her outstanding contribution to Y5M! She is kind to her peers, has an excellent growth mindset by working hard and learns from any marvellous mistakes in order to be the best that she can be every day!

**Alishba A (Y6B)** For impressively solving problems using her knowledge of factors and multiples.

**Aaryan S (Y6C)** For writing an amazing biography about Charles Darwin.

