

The Bolham Bullet

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Good afternoon,

Welcome back to a new half term which feels very autumnal since the clocks have changed.

Please can I remind everyone to have a look at the news section of the website where we upload photos and a write up of events in school.



This week, I had the pleasure of attending the Tiverton in Bloom presentation evening where we were awarded the best school garden in Tiverton. It is a lovely recognition of a year of hard work and dedication by the pupils and parent volunteers who have helped to make the orchard the wonderful space that it is.

Well done to Year 6 who attended an enrichment day at Blundell's School yesterday. We extend our thanks to the Blundell's community who continue to work in partnership with us and share their resources so generously.

Next Wednesday we have a special Remembrance assembly on Wednesday led by our Year 6 pupils. Please can all pupils wear a poppy and any uniformed groups such as Brownies, Cubs and cadets can come into school in their uniform for the day.

On Tuesday, our Reception pupils will venture to Knightshayes exploring their local area and looking for signs of autumn. Mrs Worthington will send out a separate message regarding clothing.

Finally, next Friday is Children in Need Day. Children are invited to wear something spotty - please can we ask for a donation of £1. There will be a cake sale after school and any coins that may be sat in jars at home or under the sofa cushions (no matter how few) may be brought into school with the aim of covering a huge picture of Pudsey's head! This is our first fundraising event of the year for a national charity and we thank you for supporting the cause.

I hope that you have a lovely weekend!

Sarah Milne,
Headteacher

DIARY DATES

11/11 – Nasal Flu Vaccinations
13/11 – Children in Need
16/11 – Year 4 Trip to Dulverton Literary Festival
17/11 – Tempest School Photos

17/12 – Nativity
18/12 – End of Term

4/1 – Non-Pupil Day
5/1 - Start of Spring Term
29/1 – Young Voices 27

15/2 – 19/2 – Half Term

25/3 – End of Term
26/3-9/4 – Easter Holidays

12/4 – Start of Summer Term

31/5 – 4/6 – Half Term
22/7 – End of Term

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BUILDING LEARNING POWERS (Week before half term)

CLASS 1

Alfie – For trying hard with his pencil grip and letter formation. Well done!

CLASS 2

Olivia C – For always trying her best with whatever she is asked to do.

Astrid – For working hard with reading at home and in school.

CLASS 3

Olivia – For always doing the right thing at the right time and for putting great effort in to all your work.

Evlyn– You were an absolute whizz in French this week, really challenging yourself and with great self-motivation.

CLASS 4

Kendle – For your conscientious attitude towards your work. You always strive to do your best in your work regardless of the subject. Keep it up!

Bobbi – For your conscientious attitude towards your work. You always strive to do your best in your work regardless of the subject, I am particularly impressed with your focus in our English lessons. Well done!

SPECIAL MENTIONS

CLASS 1

Special mention to Angus for his fantastic manners.

CLASS 2

Special mention to Marlie for helping others during apple day.

CLASS 3

Special mention to Charlie who has focused really well in History this week, well done!

CLASS 4

Special mention to Dougie for his excellent work looking after the younger students on Apple Day.

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BUILDING LEARNING POWERS

CLASS 1

Flynn – For the wonderful, detailed conversations we have during Drawing Club time about your pictures. It is a lovely part of my day.

CLASS 2

Albie - For his excellent attitude to learning especially phonics.

Harvey – For his excellent writing for phonics jam jar challenge.

CLASS 3

Evvie – You show brilliant focus in lessons and are always respectful. We love how you are growing in confidence, giving things a go even when unsure.

Summer – You have become so independent and are challenging yourself in your learning, well done. We're so proud of you!

CLASS 4

Harriet – For modelling excellent learning behaviours. You consistently work your hardest across all subjects in the curriculum and do your best to ensure your work is the best you can do.

Matylda – For challenging yourself in your learning. You are always happy to challenge yourself within your learning, especially during our Maths and English lessons.

SPECIAL MENTIONS

CLASS 1

Special mention to Maya for being kind, caring and helpful to others in the class.

CLASS 2

Special mention to everyone who has completed their challenges.

CLASS 3

Special mention to James S for a fantastic effort this week. He has worked hard on being ready to learn after morning break and registration, coming into class with a positive attitude and settling quickly to his learning.

CLASS 4

Special mention to Kendle for always looking for ways to help others.

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FLU VACCINATION

If you haven't yet consented for your child to have the nasal flu vaccination and wish your child to be included in the vaccinations on the 11th November, please fill out the form here: https://www.kernowimmunisations.co.uk/Forms/Flu?schoolcode=DV149168

No child will be vaccinated without the consent form having been filled in.

ADMISSIONS POLICY FOR 2028-2029: ANNUAL CONSULTATION

Alongside all other schools and academies in Devon, we are consulting on our admissions policy for 2028-2029. The Local Authority is also consulting on its own admission arrangements. You are invited to review the proposals and share your views. Our proposed policy is available on our admissions page: Bolham Community Primary School - Admissions

You can view all policies at http://devon.cc/schoolpolicy , and further information is available at www.devon.gov.uk/admissionarrangements

The formal consultation period runs until 15th January 2027. All policies will be determined on 10th February 2027 and published by 15th March 2027.

CLASS 1 KNIGHTSHAYES TRIP

Class 1 will be walking up to Knightshayes on Tuesday morning, we are looking for a parent volunteer to help accompany them. If you are able to help, please let Mrs Worthington know.

CURRENT VACANCIES WITHIN THE TRUST

Please click here to view current vacancies within the Trust:

Harbour Schools Partnership Job Search

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CLASS ONE PE CHAMPION OF THE WEEK!



This week the Class One PE Champion is THEO!



Theo was awarded the certificate this week for not giving up after finding catching the ball a little tricky.

SWIFT TEACHER TRAINING

Have you, or someone you know, ever considered a career in teaching?

SWIFT Teacher Training, in partnership with The Harbour Schools Partnership, offers high-quality Primary and Secondary teacher training across 14 subject areas, leading to Qualified Teacher Status (QTS) and a PGCE. With flexible programmes and local placements at all our TSHP schools, trainees benefit from exceptional support while training close to home.

Applications for 2027-28 are now open via DfE Apply service. To find out more visit our website https://thsp.cloud/bdh3sbjj, or call 01626 882828.

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OLD HEATHCOAT SCHOOL CHRISTMAS MULTI ACTIVITIY CLUB

Poster attached with this weeks Bullet, free for those in receipt of benefit related free school meals, £20 a day otherwise.

24th December, 29th-31st December

10am-2pm

Use this link to book: https://eequ.org/book/old-heathcoat-school-pro-coaching-camp-with-procoaching-24404

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RACHEL GILMOUR CHRISTMAS CARD COMPETITION

All primary school aged children in Tiverton and Minehead can enter the competition to design Rachel Gilmour MP's 2026 Christmas Card. Children need to create a Christmas design with the theme 'Love for your local area' The design needs to be A4 and 2D

The winning design will become Rachel's official Christmas card and will be sent to MP's offices across the UK. The winner and two runners-up will each receive a book voucher too.

Entries are open until Friday 13th November. You can post them to Rachel Gilmour, House of Commons, London, SW1A 0AA or scan them and email them to rachel.gilmour@parliament.uk Make sure you put the child's name, age and contact details on the back of each entry and if scanning an entry please make sure to keep the original. If you have any questions, please contact francesca.turner@parliament.uk

FoBS UPDATE

A reminder that the Christmas card orders need to be in by 12 noon on the 13th November, details of how to order are on the template your child(ren) brought home this week.

This week we are asking for donations of chocolate for the Christmas raffle prizes and hampers, please bring to the school office by the 13th November.

Thank you to everyone who came to the Halloween disco, a profit of £207.50 was made.

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