SEPTEMBER 2026 NEWSLETTER



I hope you and your families had a wonderful summer and had the opportunity to enjoy some quality time together. It has been lovely to see everyone returning to school looking refreshed and ready for the year ahead.

A very special welcome to all of our new families. Whether your child has joined us in Reception or has started with us in another year group, we are delighted to welcome you to our school community. We hope you and your child quickly feel at home and enjoy being part of our school family.

We have a busy and exciting programme planned, with a wide range of learning experiences, enrichment opportunities, events and activities designed to inspire, challenge and support every child. We also look forward to welcoming you into school throughout the year so that you can share in and celebrate your children's successes.

Our children's well-being, safety and progress continue to be at the heart of everything we do. Regular attendance and punctuality are an important part of helping children make the most of their time at school. The school day begins at 8:45am, with learning starting promptly, so please continue to support us by ensuring that your child arrives on time and ready for the day ahead.

You will have the opportunity to meet your child's teacher over the coming weeks and find out more about the year ahead. In the meantime, if you have any questions, concerns or need any support, please do get in touch with a member of the school team. We are always happy to help.

Thank you, as always, for your continued support and partnership. We are looking forward to working together to make this a happy, successful and memorable year for all of our children.



Thank you for your donation, over £700 raised



A total of 32 inches ready for the Little Princess Trust Charity

WOW! WELL DONE!

A MASSIVE congratulations to Thea and Theon who raised an incredible £700 for the Little Princess Trust after growing their hair for years and having a total of 32 inches cut off.

We are all so proud of you for doing something so incredible for children who are going through cancer treatment.

It'll take some getting used to the new hair cuts though, we keep thinking we have a new boy in class!

Well done!

HOLIDAYS IN TERM TIME



As per Government guidelines, holiday requests will not be authorised unless in exceptional circumstance. Unauthorised absences may attract a fine. From 1st August 2024 fines are now £80 per child per parent, payable to Bolton Council.

We would ask that no holidays are booked in May as this is SATS month, not just a week and all children have assessments in May.

MUSIC LESSONS



Bolton Music Service can provide music lessons for children in Y1–Y6.
For more information click here.
Here is a video giving more details:
https://youtu.be/aP2fh-wO17o

STARTING SCHOOL IN SEPT 2027

Applications for places in reception from September 2027 can be made from 1st September 2026 online at:

https://www.bolton.gov.uk/admissions

The closing date for applications is **15th January 2027.**



Harwood Meadows Open Days
7th October 2pm–6pm
15th October 9.30am - 11.30am

Please share with any families whose children are due to start Nursery or Reception in September 2027.

PARKING NEAR SCHOOL



Please could we politely remind parents to park considerately in our local area.
Please ensure that driveways of local residents are not blocked. We have had a number of complaints from residents about inconsiderate and dangerous parking.
Thank you for helping to keep our children safe.

SCHOOL PHOTOGRAPHS



The photographer will be in school from 8:30am on Friday 18th September. Younger siblings not yet in school are welcome to come between 8.30am and 8.45am for family photos.

LOST PROPERTY

We have a lost property box outside the office which children can look in for any missing items.

Please could we ask parents to label all items of clothing to ensure they don't get lost.







BOOK BUS VISIT

We have an exciting visit from the Book Bus on the afternoon of Wednesday 23rd September.

We recommend children bringing a small amount of cash with them to purchase a new book, the Book Bus also accept cash or pre-paid vouchers:

https://thebookbus.co.uk/products/the-book-bus-gift-card-15

Parents can use cash or card too. The bus will visit us in the afternoon and stay until 4pm.

OWN CLOTHES DAYS

We are inviting children to come to school in their own clothes on the following days in exchange for donations for the Christmas Fair.

Friday 25th September
donations of chocolates

Friday 16th October
donations for bottles

Friday 20th November
colour hamper donations
(more details to follow)



WEEKLY ATTENDANCE AWARDS

To promote good attendance throughout the school this academic year we shall be having weekly attendance awards.

Each Friday children who have had 100% for that week will be entered into a draw and one lucky person's name from each class will be pulled out. They will then be able to choose a prize from the prize box.





AUTUMN TERM DATES FOR YOUR DIARY



Friday 18th September	School photographs
Wednesday 23rd September	Book Bus visit in the afternoon
Friday 25th September	Own clothes in exchange for chocolate donations for the Christmas fair
Monday 28th September - Wednesday 30th September	Y6 trip to Robinwood
Thursday 1st October	Flu Vaccinations
Monday 5th October	Greater Manchester Fire and Rescue visit for Y5 & Y6
Wednesday 7th October	Open day 2pm - 6pm
Thursday 15th October	Open day 9.30am - 11.30am
Friday 16th October	Own clothes in exchange for bottles donations for the Christmas fair
Monday 19th October	Y3 trip to Brockholes
Friday 23rd October	Y2 trip to Staircase Museum Stockport
Monday 26th October - Friday 6th November	HALF TERM - Please note that this is a two week half term holiday



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Friday 20th November	Own clothes in exchange for colour hamper items for the Christmas fair
Tuesday 24th November	EYFS & KS1 parent's evening 2pm - 6pm
Wednesday 25th November	EYFS & KS1 parent's evening 2pm - 6pm
Tuesday 1st December	KS2 parent's evening 2pm - 6pm
Wednesday 2nd December	KS2 parent's evening 2pm - 6pm
Wednesday 9th December	KS2 Christmas Panto - Snow White
Thursday 10th December	Reception Christmas Show at the Octagon
Friday 11th December	Christmas fair 3.30pm - 5.30pm
Tuesday 15th December	EYFS Christmas performance 10am
Wednesday 16th December	Y1 & Y2 Christmas performance 2pm
Thursday 17th December	Y3 & Y4 Christmas performance 9am
Thursday 17th December	Class Christmas party afternoon



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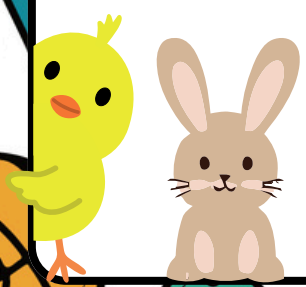
Friday 18th December	Y5 & Y6 Carols around the tree 9am
Friday 18th December	School finishes at 2pm
Monday 21st December - Friday 1st January	Christmas holiday





SPRING TERM DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

Thursday 28th January	Y6 trip to Stockport Air Raid Shelter
Monday 15th February - Friday 19th February	HALF TERM
Thursday 4th March	Y2 trip to Brockholes
Friday 5th March	World Book Day
Tuesday 9th March	Y4 trip to Sevenacres
Tuesday 16th March	Y3 trip to Bolton Egyptian Museum
Tuesday 16th March	EYFS & KS1 parent's evening 2pm - 6pm
Wednesday 17th March	EYFS & KS1 parent's evening 2pm - 6pm
Tuesday 23rd March	Y1 trip to Blackpool Zoo
Tuesday 23rd March	KS2 parent's evening 2pm - 6pm
Wednesday 24th March	KS2 parent's evening 2pm - 6pm
Friday 26th March	Good Friday
Monday 29th March - Friday 9th April	Easter Holiday
Friday 16th April	Y5 Bikeability
Friday 23rd April	Y5 Bikeability





SUMMER TERM DATES FOR YOUR DIARY



Thursday 29th April	Y4 trip to Ordsall Hall
Tuesday 4th May	Y5 trip to Turton Tower
Monday 10th May - Friday 14th May	SATS week
Friday 28th May	Class Photos
Monday 31st May - Friday 4th June	HALF TERM
Monday 7th June	Teacher training day
Monday 14th June - Friday 18th June	Scholastic Book Fair 3.30pm - 4pm every day
Tuesday 15th June	KS2 Sports day 1.30pm - 3.30pm
Monday 21st June	New Parent's Evening 5pm - 6pm
Tuesday 22nd June	EYFS & KS1 sports day 1.30pm - 3.30pm
Tuesday 29th June	RESERVE KS2 Sports Day
Friday 2nd July	Summer Festival 2pm - 5pm
Tuesday 6th July	RESERVE EYFS & KS1 Sports Day
Wednesday 21st July	Y6 leavers show 2pm & 6pm

SUMMER TERM DATES FOR YOUR DIARY



Thursday 22nd July	Y6 Leavers assembly 2pm
Friday 23rd July	2pm finish