



Bolton-le-Sands C of E Primary School

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February 2022 Newsletter

Please find below our latest news of events and things going on in school. If you can't find the answers you are looking for, please don't hesitate to get in touch through the School Office!



Collective Worship

We continue our Christian value of FORGIVENESS. After the half term break, we will look at the Christian value of LOVE. Together, these values will help us learn more about the life of Jesus before his crucifixion.



Coronavirus Update

Our COVID cases are gently reducing and we are looking towards reducing our control measures after the half term break. Here is a quick reminder of key rules:

- **Positive LFD test result – self-isolate for 10 days. Day zero is the day symptoms started or test date.**
- **Early release from self-isolation if you have 2 negative LFD results on days 5 and 6.**
- **Close contacts to carry out LFD tests daily for 7 days.**
- **Report COVID related absences to the School Office or via COVIDnotifications@bolton-le-sands.lancs.sch.uk**



We welcome Mrs Kelly Woodburn and Mrs Kimberley Moss to the school family as they begin their roles as Teaching Assistants after the half term break. We thank Mr Clarkson and Mr Harwood for all their support during their time covering and we wish them the best of luck for their future careers in teaching. Mr Clarkson and Mr Harwood will be leaving us on Friday 11 February.



Thank You

On behalf of the Governors of Bolton-le-Sands, we would like to pass on a thank you to all staff for their continued hard work and perseverance. This half term in particular, we have been hit with a high staff absence rate due to COVID; however, the team has pulled together to ensure that the education of our pupils has not suffered. We would also like to pass on our thanks to all families for your continued support and patience during these tricky times.

Mrs Sissons and Miss Denby

We are looking forward to welcome Mrs Sissons back to school next week as she begins to get to know Class 5. Miss Denby's last day with us will be Friday 11 February. On behalf of the school, we say a huge thank you to Miss Denby for her hard work, support and care for our pupils.



Sponsorship

We are looking to replace our aging athletics kit that pupils use when representing our school at tournaments. If anyone is interested in becoming our sponsor please get in touch with the School Office.

Join the PTA!



FOBLES 100 CLUB

Please purchase your 100 club numbers now and be in with a chance of winning £25 next week or £100 at the Easter draw! You can purchase your 100 Club number by following the link below:

<https://www.jumblebee.co.uk/Fobles100club2022>

Alternatively, you can purchase the number via ParentPay and email the FOBLES to confirm your purchase so that they can allocate you a number. If you have a preference of a number, please let the FOBLES team know!
FOBLES@bolton-le-sands.lancs.sch.uk

A huge thank you to all involved in the FOBLES events running up to Christmas. Although we didn't get to hold our Christmas fair again this year, it didn't halt the fundraising activities! We sold beautiful Christmas cards made by the children, had Christmas-themed cinema nights, supported the school selling their fantastic wares for Enterprise Week and held our online raffle with the most amazing prizes. Thanks again to our wonderful donations and sponsors. In total over the term we made a whopping £4,660! So thank you to everyone for attending, buying and donating; you've made a real difference. The money we have raised will go to the school to purchase new reading books and go towards the EYFS outdoor area improvements.

Lateness, Absence and Holidays

We continue to experience a number of pupils regularly arriving late to school. This lateness, even if by a few minutes, significantly disrupts the school routine for your child and others in their class. Please ensure that you provide enough time to get to school each morning so that your child can be in their classroom by 9am. Thank you. 'Application for Leave of Absence' forms are available on our website. These must be completed in thorough detail, prior to the absence, to explain the exceptional circumstances. There is no automatic entitlement to holiday leave; therefore, parents must seek school's permission before taking their child out of school.

Family holidays will not be authorised.



WORLD BOOK DAY 2022

On Thursday 3 March we will join many around the country celebrating 25 years of World Book Day by having a Dress Up Day where your child can come dressed as their favourite character. 2022 is also the 25th anniversary of Harry Potter so World Book Day is running a Harry Potter competition from 17 February to 27 March.

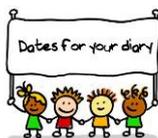
[Click Here](#) to find out more.

Term Dates

Please note that the Term Dates for 2022 – 2023 have been confirmed by the Governing Body and LCC. As such, they are now displayed on our school website under the 'parents' tab.

Comic Relief

Our School Council have asked for us to support Comic Relief this year. Therefore, on Friday 18 March, children will be able to come to school dressed in red to support Red Nose Day. Alternatively, for anyone feeling adventurous, Comic Relief are encouraging children to dress as Superheroes! We ask for parents to provide a contribution to Comic Relief via ParentPay. Please note that our FOBLES non-uniform day has been moved to accommodate this event



Dates for your Diary

Fri 4 Feb:	Non-uniform Day (£1)
Mon 7 Feb:	4pm Governors' Virtual Meeting (Curriculum Committee)
Wed 9 Feb:	Young Voices (date changed to 26 May 2022 – further detail to follow)
Fri 11 Feb:	100 Club £25 draw School closes for the half term break
Mon 21 Feb:	School reopens 4pm Governors' Virtual Meeting (Resources Committee)
Fri 25 Feb:	Non-uniform Day (£1) and Class 7 Cake Sale (COVID dependent)
Tue 1 Mar:	Shrove Tuesday
Wed 2 Mar:	Ash Wednesday
Tue 8 Mar:	7pm FOBLES meeting at The Lodge (TBC)
Fri 11 Mar:	Non-uniform Day (chocolate donation) and Class 6 Cake Sale
Mon 14 Mar:	Parents' Evening Week
Fri 18 Mar:	Comic Relief Day donation via ParentPay
Mon 21 Mar:	4:30pm Full Governors' Meeting
Thu 24 Mar:	FOBLES Outdoor Easter Disco (further details to follow)
Fri 1 Apr:	100 Club £100 draw School closes for the Easter break
Fri 15 Apr:	Good Friday
Sun 17 Apr:	Easter Sunday
Mon 18 Apr:	Easter Monday
Tue 19 Apr:	School reopens
Fri 29 Apr:	Non-uniform Day (£1) and Class 5 cake sale
Mon 9 May:	Year 6 SATs week begins
Fri 13 May:	Non-uniform Day (£1) and Class 4 cake sale
Wed 25 May:	Sports Day
Thu 26 May:	Young Voices Concert (further information to follow)
Fri 27 May:	100 Club £25 draw School closes for the half term break



Uniform and Jewellery

This is a polite reminder that our uniform includes suitable, black, footwear (not trainers). Also, at BLS, we allow pupils to wear earrings so long as the following two rules are followed:

- 1) **Earrings are small stud earrings only**
- 2) **They are removed before PE sessions** (they cannot be covered and must be removed independently)

Please support us in following our guidance so that we can continue to allow earrings to be worn.

Parking

We understand that parking around school is extremely limited. Therefore, we strongly recommend that those who have to drive, park at a distance and walk into school. Safety for children and residents of the village is paramount.

Kind regards
Mr Daniel Hargreaves
(Headteacher)