



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!



Welcome

We have been delighted to welcome the children back to school this term, along with our new members of staff.. As always, if you have any concerns or questions, please don't hesitate to get in touch by telephone on 01524 823606 or via email using the format initial.surname@bolton-le-sands.lancs.sch.uk. Urgent emails need to be sent to the admin emails; teaching staff will reply to other emails within 3 working days.

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New Faces

Welcome all our new pupils, and their families, to Bolton-le-Sands C of E School. We hope that you all settle quickly and enjoy your time with us. We would also like to welcome Mrs Lucy Atherton to our teaching staff, Mrs Rebecca Duncan, Mrs Laura Cunnington and Mrs Angela Rodgers to our support staff, and Mrs Helen Robinson to run our wraparound care club.

Wraparound care club

We are really excited that our wraparound care club is now actively running; Mrs Robinson, Mrs Cunnington, Mrs Gill and Mrs Duncan have really enjoyed looking after the children this week. We still have space available so book your child in if you need us. We ask that you book in advance if possible, but you are welcome to book at short notice if circumstances change. Contact a.barker@bolton-le-sands.lancs.sch.uk. School starts at 8:45am, which is when doors are open. We ask that all children are in class by 8:55am. Please note that staff do not supervise children on the playground before 8:45am.



Uniform

If you require items of branded uniform, please contact The Uniform and Leisurewear Company:
<https://www.ualonline.com/>

Our uniform consists of:

Grey shorts, skirt, pinafore or trousers

Blue cardigan or jumper

White or sky blue polo-shirt

Blue chequered summer dress

Black sensible school shoes (not trainers)

Black, grey or white socks/tights



Parking

All access to the school grounds is via Packet Lane. As always, we urge parents to park near to Holy Trinity Church and walk to school, avoiding driving through the village itself, in order to reduce traffic.



Collective Worship

Our central Christian value for this half term is:
"HONOUR"

Snack pass

We are continuing with the KS2 snack pass; snacks are 30p a day, or £1.50 for a snack pass to use for 5 days. School staff are now taking responsibility for purchasing food – thank you to FOBLES who have done this previously.

Extra-Curricular Clubs

We are busy organising our extra-curricular club offering for this year and will let you know as soon as they are ready. The clubs will run from Monday 14 September to week commencing 23 November. There will be no clubs during the week of Parents' Evening.

Open Classroom and Phonics Evening

We have an **open classroom** on Tuesday 22 September, 3:30–4:30pm to meet your child's teacher and hear about the year's learning. You don't need to book – just pop in and say hello.

There is also an **EYFS phonics evening** on Wednesday 16 September where new parents can learn how we teach our children to read.

FOBLES play equipment

Thank you to everyone who contributed to the FOBLES play equipment fundraising; we are now looking forward to work beginning on our new trim trail on **Monday 28 September** – work should take about a week. This is an exciting new development and shows the power of fundraising and our amazing FOBLES.

Curriculum Newsletters

Your child's Class Teacher is busy preparing our Curriculum Newsletter detailing what will be going on in their class this term. These will be sent out next week via email.

Flu Vaccinations

The School Nurse Team will visit us on Tuesday 29 September to administer Flu Vaccinations. Please follow the link below to provide consent

<https://www.bthimmunisations.co.uk/Forms/Flu>

The code for your school is: BP119521

Change of Details

Should your contact details (including emergency contact) change, please inform our School Office by email to changeofdetails@bolton-le-sands.lancs.sch.uk and also update your ParentPay account, to ensure that you continue to receive notifications.

Dates for your Diary

Tue 8 Sep	Year 3 and 4 swimming starts
Mon 14 Sep	After School Clubs start
Tue 15 Sep	House Captain letters deadline LKS2 swimming
Wed 16 Sep	Y5/6 Poetry workshop Reception phonics evening 5:30pm
Thu 17 Sep	FOBLES AGM 5:30pm
Tue 22 Sep	LKS2 Swimming Open classroom : 3 :30pm
Thu 24 Sep	Y5/6 Girls' County Football Qualifier
Fri 25 Sep	European day of languages
Mon 28 Sep	Y6 Big day out, Coniston
Tue 29 Sep	LKS2 Swimming Flu vaccinations
Thu 1 Oct	Y5/6 Boys' County Football Qualifier Sedbergh Cross Country Tournament
Mon 5 Oct	Worship in Church to celebrate Harvest
Tue 6 Oct	LKS2 Swimming First Tuesday Hub
Thu 13 Oct	LKS2 swimming
Tue 14 Oct	LKS2 Swimming
Thu 16 Oct	FOBLES Year 5 Cake Sale
Mon 19 Oct	4:30pm Governors' Meeting (Curriculum)
Tue 20 Oct	LKS2 Swimming
Thu 22 Oct	Last day for children
Fri 23 Oct	INSET day
Mon 2 Nov	INSET day
Tue 3 Nov	School reopens

There will be lots of other events planned over the course of the Autumn term. Please keep your eye out for updates on weekly newsletters, as well as letters from class teachers.

Afternoon break KS2

Your child has probably already told you there is now no official afternoon break for KS2 children. This allows teachers more flexibility to ensure children are able to access a break when they need it, and also be able to access the full curriculum.

Absence and Holidays

Good attendance is vital for your child to make good progress.

Reporting Absences

- If your child is absent, call the School Office on the first day
- No reason given = unauthorised absence

Medical Appointments

- Provide appointment evidence to the School Office
- Only for unavoidable appointments during school hours

Term-Time Leave

- **Family holidays will NOT be authorised**
- Complete an 'Application for Leave of Absence' form (on our website) for exceptional circumstances only

IMPORTANT:

The Local Authority now tracks unauthorised absences over 3 years. 5 days (10 sessions) unauthorised absence in a 3 week period puts you at risk of a penalty notice.

What this means:

- **1st unauthorised absence:** Penalty notice (£160 per parent, per child)
- **2nd unauthorised absence:** Another penalty notice (£160 per parent, per child)
- **3rd unauthorised absence:** Possible prosecution - no more penalty notices allowed



We are very fortunate to have such an amazing team of volunteers who work together to support our fundraising efforts. The partnership with FOBLES is crucial to ensure school has the funds it needs to continue to provide wonderful experiences for your children. Therefore, **we need your help** as we need more volunteers who are willing to attend meetings or be a class representative or just simply help out at events. If you are willing to help, voice your enthusiasm by emailing: fobles@bolton-le-sands.lancs.sch.uk or attend the FOBLES AGM: details to follow!

Anaphylaxis – NO NUT PRODUCTS

We have a child in school with a severe nut allergy. Please check all ingredients of food you send to school to ensure they have no nut products in. This includes Nutella etc. Thank you for your cooperation.

Holy Trinity

Holy Trinity welcomes all to attend their Sunday services at 10:30am. They also host a mid-week service on Wednesdays at 10am and an early family service fortnightly on a Sunday at 9am. For further information, please email: parishbbsnews@parishbbs.co.uk

Kind regards
Mr Ian Gittins
(Headteacher)