Bolton by Bowland C.E. Primary School

Newsletter

Belong Believe Blossom

23rd October 2026

The Royal British Legion Poppy Collection

The following items will be on sale from the school office at break times until **Wednesday 11th November.**
Poppies 50p, Snap Band £1.50, Ribbon Wristband £1,
Poppy Keyring 50p, Pencil 50p & Stickers 20p

Dear parents and children,

I just wanted to say a heartfelt thank you for the beautiful flowers that you sent me when I was absent from school. It really cheered me up to know you were thinking of me and sending your get well soon wishes. You are all very lovely!



Thank you

Mrs Abram

Children in Need

Please can children bring a £1 donation on **Friday 13th November** to support Children in Need.
They are invited to wear dance/sports clothes for the day to complete the
Strictly 26 Step Dance Challenge





This week we would like to say a big thank you to Studio Bakery for allowing us to use their orchard for den making and outdoor learning and to Lucy for helping to escort our children to the Author Visit event at Bowland High.



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Swimming starts on **Thursday 19th November** for Reception to Year 6 and will continue on a weekly basis during term time until the end of the school year.
Please can children bring a named swimming bag with a towel, swimwear and a brush.
Girls are required to have a one piece costume and pupils with long hair should have it secured with a hair band/bobble or a swimming hat.
Boys should wear trunks or swim shorts above the knee with netting inside and not the bermuda/board short style.
Goggles for beginners should only be used in exceptional circumstances when chemicals in the water may have an adverse effect on pupil's eyes. For competent swimmers (25 metres+) goggles are advised as they help maintain the required body position and improve vision through the water.
All jewellery, with the exception of religious artefacts, which can be made safe should be removed because of the potential for injury to the wearer and other children



After half-term PE for Classes 1 & 2 will be on **Monday afternoons** with Coach Gunn.

<u>Please make sure earrings are removed or taped up and PE kits are in school for these days.</u>

Breakfast Club takes place from 8.00am each day during term time and costs £3.00 per session. Please let Mrs Awre know if you would like your child to attend regularly or check availability to request a one off booking.



BAG 2 SCHOOL

FOBBS have organised a Bag2School collection on **Tuesday 10th November**. Bags can be left in the little yard at the front of school before 9am or one of the FOBBS team can store donations for you before then. Thanks for helping raise money for our school,

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School Meal Menu – Week Beginning 2nd November

Autumn 2026	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
Choice 1	Sausage, Mash & Beans	BBQ Pulled Pork Burrito	Roast Chicken	Burger in a Bun	Battered Fish & Chips
Choice 2	Fish Fingers, Mash & Beans	Mascarpone Pasta	Jacket Potato with BBQ Beans, Cheese & Crispy Onions	Tomato Pasta	Summer Picnic

School Lunches

Lancashire County Council's Schools and Residential Catering Services have increased the cost of school lunches for Nursery and KS2 children to **£3.00** from **September 2026**. This is an inflationary rise in line with food and labour increases

Achievement Assembly

Value – Evie (Y6)

Achiever – Ruby (N), Alfred (Y5)







Bolton by Bowland CE Primary School
Autumn Term 2 2026 Reception to Y6
#FUNwithCoachGunn After School Club

*Organised and led by Coach Gunn providing **ACTIVE TRUSTED CHILDCARE***

Come and JOIN IN the #FUNwithCoachGunn MONDAYS to THURSDAYS 3:30pm-4:30pm

Autumn Term 2 2026 w/c 2nd November 2026

Continuing up to and including Thursday 17th December 2026

Mondays, Tuesdays, Wednesdays & Thursdays After School 3:30pm-4:30pm

Open to Reception to Y6 children at £5 per session
One off bookings @ £6 per session



Open to Reception to Y6 children featuring

Multi Sports
Tag Games
Detective Games
FUN Games
NERF!!!
Creative Play & Crafts
LEGO
FUN Activities
Termly Treats
Snacks & Drinks

Having lots of FUN with friends!!!

The club will be led by Coach Gunn using the school hall as a base, *plus the playground and field in good weather, featuring* various fun activities and treats the attending children will get to choose from encouraging ALL the children to have lots of #FUNwithFriends!!!

Please complete and return the below slip to the school office. Alternatively please complete the online booking form or directly contact Coach Gunn at coachmarkgunn@gmail.com or on 07912 178917

Name of Child..... Year Group = Rec / Y1 / Y2 / Y3 / Y4 / Y5 / Y6

Parental Name..... Mobile.....

Parental Email.....

Medical Information, please give details of any important medical information that we should be aware of:

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I would like my child to attend Bolton by Bowland CE Primary School #FUNwithCoachGunn After School Club on [MONDAYS £35] [TUESDAYS £35] [WEDNESDAYS £35] [THURSDAYS £35] After School 3:30pm-4:30pm during AUTUMN TERM 1 2026 **starting w/c 2nd November 2026 and I will make payment of £_____ in advance via one of the below payment methods...**

Payment Method = [ ] Tax-Free Childcare Payment *(Arrange via School)*
[ ] Cheque *(Coach Gunn Limited)* or cash in person to Coach Gunn
[ ] PayPal *(friends & family to avoid fees)* to coachmarkgunn@gmail.com
[ ] Direct Transfer to Coach Gunn Limited (Santander) 09-01-29 67809950

I agree / don't agree to the publication of images of my son/daughter in the media.

Signed ..... Date .....

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Diary Dates

November

- School returns on Monday 2nd November at 8.55am
- Service of Remembrance at St Peter & St Paul's Church on Sunday 8th November at 10.00am. **Pupil representatives to be in church at 9.45am for a brief rehearsal**.
- FOBBS Bags2School Collection on Tuesday 10th November
- School Act of Remembrance at the War Memorial on Wednesday 11th November at 11am
- Steven Wright from CELED Rocks www.celeldrocks.co.uk visiting KS2 on Wednesday 11th November
- Children in Need on Friday 13th November – wear dance/sports clothes
- KS2 Waddow Activity Day on Wednesday 18th November – arrangements tbc
- Weekly Swimming Lessons for Reception, KS1 & KS2 start on Thursday 19th November
- School Christingle Service in church on Monday 23rd November at 2.50pm
- Paul Jenkins - Poet visiting KS2 on Wednesday 25th November

  Home | Paul Jenkins - Poet
- Parents' Evening on Wednesday 25th November

December

- School Nativity on Wednesday 9th December at 2pm & 6pm
- Christmas Lunch with the Governors on Thursday 10th December
- Aladdin Panto Trip on Monday 14th December at 9am. **Please give consent on Parentpay**
- Christmas Party with Father Christmas on Monday 14th December
- Christmas Fair on Wednesday 16th December
- Christmas Carol Service in church on Thursday 17th December at 2.30pm
- School closes on Friday 18th December for the Christmas break at 3.30pm





Secondary School Applications and Transport Eligibility

Dear Parents and Kinship Carers of Current Year 6 Pupils,

We are writing to provide important guidance regarding your child's upcoming secondary school application, with particular emphasis on home-to-school transport considerations.

Before submitting your application, it is essential to carefully consider how your child will travel to and from your preferred secondary schools. Free travel assistance is only available to pupils who meet the criteria outlined in Lancashire County Council's **Home to School Transport Policy**.

When selecting your school preferences, please ensure you have read and understood the information available on the Lancashire County Council website regarding **school admissions and travel assistance**.

Please note:

- For transport purposes, the *nearest suitable school* is defined as the school closest to the family home. In some cases, this may be a school located within another local authority area.
- If you choose a school that is not considered the nearest suitable school, there is **no entitlement** to free transport. In such cases, you will need to make your own travel arrangements.
- Most children will attend their local school, which is typically within a reasonable walking distance when accompanied by a parent or carer.

If transport costs are a concern, we strongly encourage you to contact your **Area Education Office** before submitting your application.

NORTH AREA	SOUTH AREA	EAST AREA
Lancaster, Morecambe, Wyre and Fylde	Preston, South Ribble, West Lancashire and Chorley	Hyndburn, Ribble Valley, Burnley, Pendle and Rossendale
(01524) 581148	(01772) 532109	(01254) 220747

If your child is not eligible for free travel assistance but you would like your child to travel to school by bus, you may be able to buy a season travel pass from us.

The County Council will not provide extra services for non-statutory pupils and you will need to plan how your child will get to school if space on the bus is not available.

Please call 0300-123-6738 or visit School bus season tickets - Lancashire County Council to make an application.

It is important to plan ahead. Please make sure that appropriate transport is available, should a place be allocated at your preferred school.

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