



Newsletter

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Autumn
Term
Newsletter
Friday 14th
November
2025

Dear families,

It has been another busy two weeks with plenty of creative learning opportunities for all classes as you will read! We are so lucky to have such dedicated teaching teams who ensure that the children's big questions and termly projects are engaging, interesting and offer opportunities for learning in a variety of ways across a variety of subjects. The recent writing units in all classes and the beautiful handwriting has really impressed me.

All house teams have earned a team points treat which they took today with blues and reds deciding to come in non-uniform while yellows and greens enjoyed a short film and a snack.



Thanks to Mr Pitt for leading a maths workshop for parents and carers today. He will be repeating the workshop on Weds 19th at 2:30 if you would like to attend. Don't forget to buy raffle tickets or look at the silent auction prizes that the FoB have written about at the end of this newsletter. They look incredible!

Willow Class

In Willow Class we have continued with our Traditional Tales topic and read The Gingerbread Man. We imagined

the characters that could chase the Gingerbread Man and made puppets and acted it out. We have more new sounds in our phonics journey. In Maths, we have been naming, describing and using 2d shapes in maths and counting to 5. In Music, we have been listening and appreciating music and following the beat. We have been on an Autumn Walk and looked for Seasonal Changes. We made Poppies and talked about Remembrance Day. We marked Remembrance Day by visiting the churchyard and observing the 2 minute silence. We welcomed the Fire Service and learnt about how they help keep us safe and how we can stay safe at home. We have now begun practising for the Nativity and found out what our parts will be.



Beech Class

We have had a busy and exciting 2 weeks in Beech Class. In computing, year 2 have been looking at photography and learning how to take a good photograph on an iPad. It was fun getting action shots! Meanwhile, year 1 have been creating digital art pieces. Last week we made self portraits on

the iPads using different tools.



In RE, we went around the school imagining we were Mary and Joseph travelling to Bethlehem from Nazareth. We finally arrived at the stable and read the last part of our story.



Holly Class

In Holly, we have been reading Escape From Pompeii. We've been learning about the daily lives of Romans, what their houses and architecture looked like, what food they ate and what jobs people had. We are basing our next unit of writing on the book and will be writing descriptive short stories.

In maths, we've moved on to multiplication. We have been working hard on times tables all year and it is encouraging to see lots of these facts being applied in lessons. We've been making and drawing arrays to show what multiplication is.

In history, we have been imagining ourselves as Celts. We have created our own village and identities. We will be using these characters to learn more about our key questions – especially focusing on how the Romans changed Britain. The children will be given dramatic scenarios to navigate as the villagers – our first one was planning what to do when our crops failed and the storms started. We discussed invading neighbouring tribes but decided it wasn't worth the risk. We settled on taking the advice of the druids and giving an offering to the river.

In RE, we've been learning about Noah and the promise he had with God. We've created art to represent the story and we've discussed how Noah might have felt throughout the story – when he might have doubted, when he might have felt fortunate and when he might have felt sad.

Silver Birch Class

Silver Birch have had an amazing start to the second half term. We



have started to talk Christmas! We have continued to be able to use our characteristics of Friends and Team Players through several activities. One being our brilliant trip to Plumpton College. We split into two groups; one group prepared our lunch whilst the other group visited the animals on the farm. We then swapped and the group cooking now prepared the dessert.



The children behaved brilliantly and showed so many skills learned from Chef John last year. The lunch was delicious and one group were lucky enough to see a calf being born!



We have continued to use Shackleton's Journey as our inspiration in English. We have learned more about the dangerous journey and started



writing diaries. We also have written Tanka poems about Remembrance Sunday; ask your child what this is! We went on a walk to the Bolney War Memorial and held our 2 minute silence there.

In maths, we have been started to look at addition and subtraction in more detail. We also worked through some of the arithmetic paper questions to discuss efficient methods.

In Science we will be moving onto Evolution and Inheritance. This links nicely to R.E where we discussed this big question: 'Creation and science: conflicting or complementary?' One species we will be finding out more about is the Peppered Moth.

Bolney Bees Special Offer

Bolney CEP Bees



Be the Best You Can,
Guided by God

**HALF PRICE
SPECIAL
OFFER!**

*Does your child
currently go to an*

after-school club?

*Would you like childcare until
5:30 on that day?*

Bolney Bees are offering half price sessions – Just £6 – for 4:15-5:30 slots.

**Book online using the code
'after-club'.**

This will be on a first come, first served basis so book up quick!

If you want this offer for next week, you will need to contact Zoe as you can only book online a week in advance.

Diary Dates:

Fri 21st Nov: non uniform for sweets/choc tombola

Tues 25th Nov: non uniform day for bottle tombola

Fri 5th Dec: School Fayre 2:30-4pm

Mon 15th / Weds 17th Dec: KS1 Nativity 2pm

Weds 17th Dec: KS2 Carol Service 6pm

See the website calendar for important dates:

<https://www.bolneyschool.org.uk/web/calendar/223211>

Please also take time to look at our website, which has a lot of information that you may wish to see, including class pages.

<https://www.bolneyschool.org.uk/web/home/223209>

**Ms Lofthouse and all staff at
Bolney CEP School**



Friends of Bolney NEWS:

EVENT TICKETS:

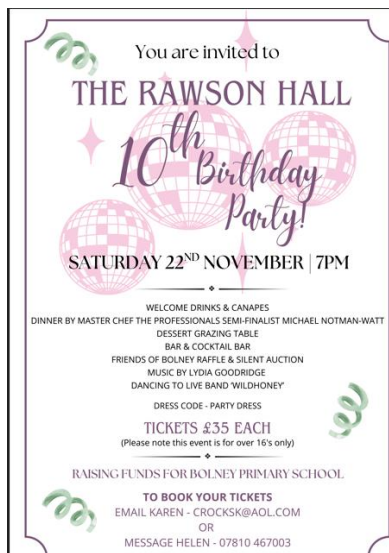
★ **The Rawson Hall 10th Birthday Party & Fundraiser for Bolney School** ★
Saturday 22nd November - 7pm

We are really excited to be organising this event in collaboration with the Rawson Hall to raise funds for our school. It is set to be a brilliant event:

- Drinks reception sponsored by Bolney Wine Estate
- Delicious dinner by **Michael Notman-Watt - Bolney school Dad and MasterChef: The Professionals semi-finalist!**
- Dessert and Cheese Grazing table
- Main Bar and a Cocktail Bar run by Spirit of the Downs
- **Friends of Bolney Silent Auction and Raffle** - with lots of incredible prizes to be won!
- Brilliant live music!

Please come along and support this event! Tickets are £35 each.

To book please contact - Karen crockskaol@aol.com before **Tuesday 18th November**



RAFFLE TICKETS:

FOB is organising the raffle, which is open to everyone, even if you are not attending the event on the 22nd November. Lots of amazing prizes to be won including a **Luxury Hamper, Pizza making class, £50 Amazon voucher** and many more!

Tickets are £1 each.

If you would like to buy any tickets you can collect them from Zoe in the school office or contact us -

friendsofbolney@gmail.com or 07738 683239.

🎉 **Friends of Bolney SILENT AUCTION – Online Bidding Now Live!** 🎉

We're really excited to announce that our pre-event **online Silent Auction is now live** and is **raising funds for Bolney Primary School!**

Friends of Bolney will be running the Silent Auction at the **Rawson Hall 10th Birthday Party on Saturday 22nd November**, and the great news is that **everyone can take part** — you *don't* need to be attending the event to place a bid. If you *are* coming along, why not take a sneak peek now and see what catches your eye?

We have an **amazing range of prizes**, with something for everyone — from brilliant **local experiences** to **weekend breaks**, and even a **holiday to New York...** plus so much more in between!

👉 **Browse and bid here:**
bolney.fem-bid.com

Please feel free to share the link with friends and family who might be interested too - **everyone can take part** and the money raised from the auction will **benefit all of the children at Bolney Primary School**.

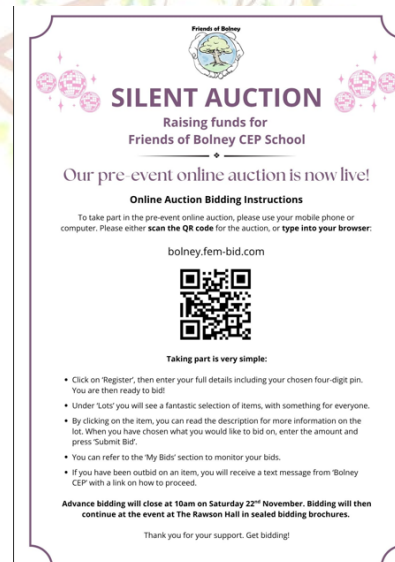
You'll also find a document below with simple instructions on how to place your bids online.

We are incredibly grateful to all the school families and local businesses who have so generously donated prizes — thank you for your wonderful support.

Advance bidding closes at 10am on Saturday 22nd November.

After that, bidding will continue at the event via sealed bidding brochures.

Happy bidding and good luck!



Thank you for your support!
Friends of Bolney