



Newsletter

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Summer
Term
Newsletter
Friday 11th
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Dear families,

As we come to the end of term, there is so much to celebrate and our final assembly was testament to that where children were keen to share all of their latest awards and certificates for activities in and out of school.

Year 6's shared a beautiful montage of their years at Bolney which delighted and left a lump in throat of everyone present.

We were lucky enough to have a visit from Joel Clifton, a paraolympian, who came to talk to the children and inspired them with his story and then shared some incredible skills with them.

Children across the school have taken part in sports festivals and the swim gala over the last two weeks too and we have welcomed our new intake to visit. It only seems five minutes ago that we were welcoming our current Willow Class into school! How time flies!

We have our Budge Up session on Monday where children will get to spend time with their new teacher and then Silver Birch will be sharing their production of Joseph before our Year 6 leavers service on Friday. This is a special service where Year 6 children share their memories and although all families are welcome, may we politely request that if toddlers / babies are in church and become restless, that they are taken out of church to settle. Thank you in advance for this.

Willow Class

In Willow Class, we have been finishing our sea creature factfiles. We read the Lighthouse Keepers Lunch and planned the lunch we would like to pack and also worked out how to transport our picnic safely. We have designed the sandwiches we would like to bring to our own Teddy Bears picnic.

In Maths, we have been making our own patterns and explaining our pattern rules and describing position and direction. We have recapped all the phonics we have learnt so far. We have been talking about foods and whether they're healthy or unhealthy choices. We have been painting sunflowers from observation and added more detail to these. We have learned more about David Attenborough and about plastic waste in the Oceans. We have talked about the jobs we'd like to do when we get older.



Beech Class

We have had a very busy and exciting two weeks in Beech Class.

In music, we listened to Camille Saint-Saëns 'Carnaval of the animals'. We closed our eyes and guessed which animal the pieces of music were about. We identified the lions music was very low and slow which showed us he was proud.

Saint-Saëns
The Carnival of the Animals
Noël Coward / Andre Kostelanetz



In DT, we made our fruit smoothies. We had a huge selection of fruit to choose from. We made sure our hands were washed and we washed our fruit thoroughly to make sure it was safe to eat.



In RE, we have been looking at Judaism. Specifically why Jewish people are thankful. We explored shabbat dinner and what Jewish people have at their shabbat dinner.



Holly Class

In Holly, we received a very exciting response from our MP, Alison Bennett. She responded to our questions about environmental protection and was full of praise for the children's consideration and care for an important issue. In maths, we have been learning about shapes. We started with angles and turns, mastering the language and using it to describe 2D shapes and their differences. We also constructed prisms and pyramids using straws.



For computing, we've finished our unit on image editing. The children have applied all their skills – removing and duplicating parts, changing filters and colour and copying and pasting to create new images. We finished by creating weird new creatures by blending animals. In our PE lessons, we have been playing rounders. We have

learned a lot more about the strategy in the game and we are much more confident talking with teammates to field more efficiently and to know when to run and when to stay.

In science, we've been focusing on germination and seed dispersal. We discussed how seeds travel and talked about the different trees and plants we know of and how their seeds are dispersed. We also finished our flower creations in art.

Silver Birch Class

We can't believe we are at the end of our summer term and this is the last newsletter.

In English, we have been writing diaries from the point of view of Shif, Bini, Shif's mother, a prisoner at the container or a guard based on our brilliant text Boy 87. We have about 6 chapters to read before the end of next week! We have been typing up our memories and had some time for our free writing where we can write about anything we like; we have had fact files, PowerPoints about the school, war stories, poems and horror stories!

In maths, we have all been playing lots of mental maths games; we particularly like multiplication bingo and multiplication connect 4. There have been two sport events, swimming and a Nears sports day. Well done to all the children involved and how fantastic to come second overall in the swimming event.



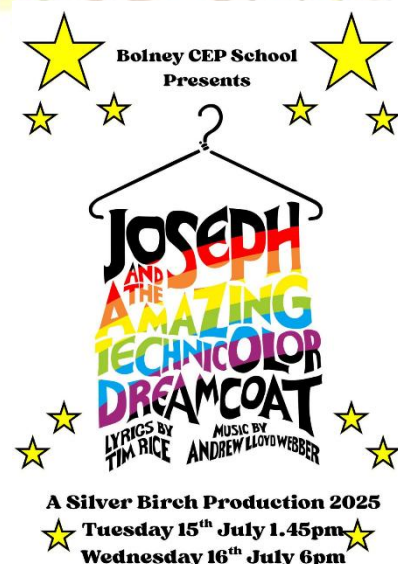
We have been rehearsing our production as often as we can ready for our dress rehearsal on Monday. The children have had a few wobbly moments but are ready to go live!

Another stand-out amazing event of these last few weeks has been a visit from Joel Clifton, an athlete that came to talk to us and lead some games. He was so inspirational and engaging to listen to.



Year 5/6 production

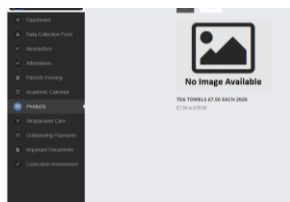
All families are welcome to the performance of Joseph at the Raswon Hall on Tuesday at 1:45pm and Weds at 6pm. There will be interval drinks and a chance to buy merchandise memorabilia.



Tea Towels (with every child's face on it)

If you would like to purchase a tea towel, please order and pay in MCAS under 'products', £7.50 per item. These will be on sale

after school every day next week and make lovely gifts.

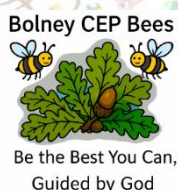


NEARS Sports Day

A group of children from Year 3/4/5/6 enjoyed a morning of competitive athletics at Handcross Primary School this week.



Wraparound Childcare – Bolney Bees



We are excited to be able to announce that we have appointed Lucie (who many of you will know from our school kitchen) to run Bees and bookings from 8th September will be open next week.

Hotline to Heaven

3.7.25



10.7.25



Friends of Bolney NEWS:

Community Coffee Morning -

A big thank you to everyone who came along to this event. It was such a lovely turnout, and the children really enjoyed chatting and sharing their work with you. Huge thanks to our amazing bakers: Clare, Candice, Tory, Clem and Liz. Thank you also to Faye for the beautiful flowers, and to our brilliant helpers on the day: Clare, Lacey and Candice.

Autumn Raffle & Auction – Prize Donations Needed!

We're excited to have been invited to run a raffle and auction to benefit Friends of Bolney at the 10-year celebration of The Rawson Hall this November! This will be a brilliant fundraising opportunity.

If you, or your business, could kindly donate a prize, we'd be hugely grateful. Please get in touch at

friendsofbolney@gmail.com.

Fancy Organising a One-Off Fundraiser?

So far, the Raffle / Auction is the only fundraising event planned for next year. In our recent survey, lots of parents said they'd be happy to organise a one-off event or activity — if you have an idea (big or small!) and would like to get involved, let us know. We'd love to get some dates in the diary.

Have a lovely weekend!
Friends of Bolney

Diary Dates:

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>

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