

Dear families,

This half term seems to have flown by. We have been so impressed with how the children are engaging with their learning and showing our values so well. There were many values raffle tickets to share out today for the children to take home. We hope you have an enjoyable half term.

Willow

Website class page: https://www.bolneyschool.org.u k/website/willow/223508

This week we have built our robots as part of our Friends topic. We have joined in the whole school art project and also finished our portraits. We have talked about changes in the seasons and read Leaf Man. We have noticed what happens to shadows at different times of the day. We elected our Eco **Council and School Council** Representatives. We have talked about how to be a friend and finished our friendship potion recipe. We talked about the word God, what it means to us and why it is special to Christians.

In maths Year 1 have been talking about more, less and



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equal too. Year R have continued reading and counting to 10 and 20.

Thank you to all the parents and grandparents who have come to read to us this half term. Join us after half term for our new theme, Problem Solvers, when we will be learning about this through the Great Fire of London.

Beech

Website class page: https://www.bolneyschool.org.u k/website/beech/223509 We have ended our 'ERIENDS'

We have ended our 'FRIENDS' theme by making Friendship tokens and cubic boxes to give to our friends. We finished our exploration of Yom Kippur in RE by reading 'I'm Sorry' – a book about two young friends that fall out. Jake recognised a similarity between our class reader Roald Dahl's 'The Magic Finger' and also another book called 'The Ziz'. We all make mistakes, even in how we treat our friends, and being able to say 'I'm sorry' is a big part of growing up.



Our map-led walk around the village helped us to see differences between Bolney and

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the photos we have seen of Haiti. We also spotted deciduous and evergreen trees as part of our science. The children had great fun playing in the park as part of their marble treat, despite the rain!

Holly

Website class page: https://www.bolneyschool.org.u k/website/holly/223510

We have had another busy and fun filled 2 weeks. In English we have been writing our diaries of the day when Vesuvius erupted. We have tried to include all of what we know about Pompeii and how we would have felt at that awful time. We are enjoying our reading groups; especially when we get to share Hans Christian Anderson picture books!

In science we continued to be geologists but this time investigated different soil samples. The children thought all soil was the same until this investigation highlighted many differences!



Our mosaics are looking shiny and polished now we have spent time removing excess grout! The children thought this was 'hard work' using tooth

picks, toothbrushes, flannels and water. In maths we have been doing lots of different investigations either using dice and number or making different buildings using only 3 same colour cubes.



Silver Birch Website class page: https://www.bolneyschool.org.u k/website/silver_birch/223523 In Silver Birch we have finally found out how Shackleton's epic expedition came to an end. We are busy finishing our diaries which we will be improving, editing and publishing next half term.



In maths, we have been focusing on calculations, recapping written methods but also considering when to use mental strategies.

We have also finished our unit on Humanism in RE and we were all able to contribute something we had learned about Humanism during our discussions.

We have continued to focus on teamwork, using the space and

accurate passing in PE – in netball, hockey and bench ball. There has been excellent communication, teamwork, strategising and effort. We also worked so hard on our sewing this week. The children are so proud of what they have learned and achieved. They were so keen and careful over two whole days and the outcome was well worth the effort!

150th Anniversary Tapestry

Many thanks to Mrs Bridger and our staff who have begun work on creating a lovely tapestry to celebrate our 150th anniversary. We started the week with looking at some photos of the school and the village from the past in assembly. The children also thought of questions they would like to ask past pupils. Key Stage 1 children printed on fabric to create leaves and Key Stage 2 designed butterflies and other woodland animals to sew.



It was lovely to have some helpers from our families and the village to help us.



We found a fabric tree that was made a number of years ago by pupils at a textiles club, which will be included in the tapestry. We plan to hang the finished work in the hall and will share our finished work with you.

Gardening Club



We all enjoyed our final gardening session of the year this week and celebrated with the harvesting, cooking and tasting of our butternut squash!



Football friendly match Well done to Mr Pitt's football development squad who played St Mark's in a friendly on 14th October which ended in a 6-6 draw.



Report from Harley and Tom: *On Thursday* 14th *October we played St Mark's Primary School. In the first half it was* 4-0 to *us, Jett scored a hatrick and Tom got one. Arthur was amazing in goal, he kept us in the game. In the second half Daniel and Tom scored to keep us in the game after they came back into it. It was a tough match. We would like to say thank you to all the people that took us and Mr Pitt for managing us. We appreciate it*



HELLOYELLOW! Young Minds – Mentally Healthy day

We raised £88, thank-you and well done!

FOB Vegas Night & AGM

Thank you so much to all of the Friends of Bolney who raised an amazing amount of £3800! A special thanks to Carla Turner, who came up with the idea and to Clem Sutters and all of the amazing helpers who did so much organising to make the event so succesful. The Friends of Bolney Committee will hold their annual general meeting on Monday 8th November at 8pm. At the meeting, the Chair will present a report, the Treasurer will summarise the financial results for the year, and the committee will elect a Chair, Treasurer and Secretary. This meeting will be held virtually, it is a great, short and sweet overview of what Friends of Bolney is all about, and everyone is welcome! Please email us for the dial-in details.

Showing our values well The values trophies were presented to:



Charlie showing respect by being polite and Tiger for showing respect.



Freddie for showing resilience and Eliott for showing love by being kind.

Covid-19 preventative measures Please email

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your child develops any COVID symptoms over the weekend. Please continue to be vigilant and after half term keep your child off school if they have any possible symptoms and arrange for them to have <u>a PCR test</u>. Only send them to school if this test is negative.

Diary Dates:

Holly Class trip Tuesday 2nd November

Hindleap Warren Parent meeting 3rd November 6pm

Bolney U5s Bonfire Night Friday 5th November

Friends of Bolney AGM Monday 8th November 8pm

Year 6 Bikeability Week commencing 22nd November (Further information to follow)

Chartwells' Christmas Lunch Wednesday 8th December (please pay Zoe for this by **28**th November if you do not normally order a lunch - £2.33)

Flu Spray YR – Y6 Thursday 9th December (please ensure you complete the online form giving consent)

KS1 Nativity Performance If COVID rates fall this will be to an audience in the school hall, if they remain high we will record the performance to share with you. Performances will be around 2pm on: Monday 13th December and Tuesday 14th December

KS2 Carol Concert Wednesday 15th December 6pm

If COVID rates fall this will be to an audience in the church, if they remain high we will record the performance to share with you.

Sports Morning Wednesday 8th June 2022 (15th June is our reserve day)

Silver Birch Summer Production Wednesday 13th July 6pm Thursday 14th July 6pm at the Rawson Hall (COVID situation allowing)

INSET days 2021-22

Monday 28th February 2022 Monday 6th June 2022 Monday 4th July 2022

Additional holiday day In lieu of the Queen's Platinum Jubilee extended bank holiday, there is an additional holiday day on 22nd July 2022 therefore the school year will end on Thursday 21st July.

Thank- you for your continued support with all that we do and we wish you an enjoyable half term; see you on November 1st!

Mrs Kenny and all staff at Bolney CEP School

