



Bolton School Boys' Division Junior School

Weekly Newsletter

Summer Term 2012

Friday 18th May

Calendar

Mon 21st May—Fri 25th May
PA Book Exchange—lunchtime—all week

Monday 21st May
Summer team/group photos at 11.50am

Tuesday 22nd May
M & M Theatrical Performance of the Lion, the Witch and the Wardrobe

Friday 25th May
House Morning

Friday 25th May
U11 A & B Cricket v Manchester GS (Home) 1.30pm start

Wednesday 30th May
Y4 Concert compulsory for Y4 boys

Thursday 31st May
Y6 Health Assessments from 10.40am

Friday 1st June
Jubilee Themed Day in school

Monday 4th June—Friday 8th June
Half Term

Monday 11th June
Back to school

Monday 11th June—Fri 15th June
Control Technology Week for Y5

Tuesday 12th June
6B Bikeright

From Mr. Whittaker...

This week we have had an impromptu visit from some visitors from Namibia. A party of people have been in England and we were fortunate enough to have them visit us at school. This gave our Year 4 a chance to ask questions as they begin their study of Namibia. The answers were fascinating and gave us a real insight into life in Namibia. One of our guests was the principal of a school with 753 pupils aged from 4 to 12, where classes are taught in groups of 46 and mostly children are taught theory with no resources to allow them to learn practically. They were amazed at the space and equipment British schools have.

The charity fun run has taken place today and is to raise money for an African charity, LivLife. Please do ensure that sponsor money is returned as quickly as possible to allow us to make our junior school contribution to this foundation-wide chosen charity.

Please could I remind parents to sign the homework diaries each week. This communication tool is used throughout the junior school and senior school. A signature from a parent and teacher allows both parties to know that the work and comments have been seen, and therefore becomes an effective tool for keeping everyone informed.

Book Exchange:

The Parents' Association will be running their Book Exchange on Monday 21st – Friday 25th May. Please gather together the books your son has finished with, so that he can bring them in and exchange them for exciting new titles previously enjoyed by other boys. If your son does not have any books he wishes to exchange, books can be purchased instead, for 20p each.

If anyone can help with the Book Exchange on Tuesday or Thursday lunchtime, please email helen.critchlow@ascribe.com

Computer Game Trade-In:

Alongside the Book Exchange, the Parents' Association are offering boys the chance to trade-in their unwanted computer games, for cash or for other games brought in by their friends. The PA will retain 20% of proceeds to put towards school improvements. Games can be brought into school and exchanged or sold during Book Exchange week, further details are attached and included in the postbag this week.

Achievements

Freddie Holt-Gregson, 3A, has achieved his Initial Guitar exam with Merit

Jacob Male, 6B, has achieved his Grade 1 Drum exam with Merit

Harry Diggle, 4B, has achieved his Grade 1 Drum exam

Shivam Patel, 6B, has achieved his Grade 1 Guitar exam with Merit

Sam Allardyce, 6B, has achieved his Grade 1 Guitar exam with Distinction

Achievements

Dylan Taylor, 6A, has achieved his Grade 2 Drum exam

Peter Johnson, 6B, has achieved his Grade 2 Guitar exam with Merit

Dylan Hill, 6A, has achieved his Grade 3 Guitar exam with Merit.

Owen Critchlow, 5A, has achieved his Grade 2 Alto Saxophone exam.

Well done to all boys!

For more achievements, see page 2.

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The school office is open from 8.15 am — 4.15 pm closing for an hour over the lunchtime period.

U11 Cricket v Bury GS

Last Friday we travelled the short distance over to Bury and once again put on a very good display. With nearly all the boys getting to bowl, we restricted the opposition to 73 for 6. In reply, with only one wicket lost, we reached the total with 4 overs remaining. Well done boys!

Athletics

On a beautiful afternoon and at a magnificent setting, we competed in the annual event at Birkenhead on Monday 14th May. In what was a very competitive field, our boys performed really well, picking up some good places along the way. In the end, the other schools proved just too strong for us and the final results were:

1st place—Birkenhead 155 points

2nd place—Chester 140 points

3rd place—Bolton 132 points.

Well done to all the boys and a special thank you to Mrs Ball and Mrs Spencer for all their help throughout the day.

Medical Appointments

Could we please remind you that if your son has a medical appointment during school hours, that you give the School Office **two days notice** of any non emergency appointments.

Many thanks for your co-operation.

Lancashire Cricket

Nicholas Round, 6B, has been chosen to represent the 2012 Bury District Cricket Team. Following further trials, he has been successful in gaining a position in the Lancashire Under 11 Cricket Team.

Well done Nicholas!

Y6 Play

This Year the Y6 play - The Thwarting of Baron Bolligrew—will be performed at Park Road on **Tuesday 3rd July, Thursday 5th July and Friday 6th July.**

More details to follow – Watch this space!

Photo Competition

Boys—

what do you think the picture below is?

This picture was taken recently—

what is it?

There will be a small prize for the correct entry.

Send your entries in by email to **junior@boys.bolton.sch.uk**

The winner will be announced in next week's Newsletter....



Players' Cup

As we mentioned in the Newsletter on 4th May, Westhoughton Park Rangers Under 10s are League Champions this season. They then followed up on their league win with a stunning 4-1 victory in the Players' Cup which took place at the Reebok Stadium on Sunday 13th May.

The following boys from Park Road are part of this victorious team:

Max Hodson, 5B

Nathan Donaldson, 5A

Nikhil Maini, 5B,

Flynn Saturley, 5B

George Brennan, 5B,

and Marc Crompton, 5A.

Well done boys!

Y6 Bikeability

For Y6 boys to take part, they must bring their bicycle into school and be able to ride a bike. As it is three weeks away, if your son is a bit shaky, there is time to practise! **Consent forms must be returned to school by Monday 21st May.** Thank you.

Cub Camp

Commonwealth Cub Camp 4th– 6th May 2012 Bowley Scout Campsite

What a wonderful weekend we had for our historic camp: the first 19th Bolton Cub Camp to welcome girl Cubs. The vast majority of our Cubs came for the whole weekend with none of them choosing the indoor accommodation option. We were joined by a few more for the Saturday taking our number to 66 Cubs on camp.

On Saturday we did a range of varied activities: geocaching; cooking pancakes on tran-gias; making sedan chairs; putting climbing skills to the test; the ever popular grass sledging and purifying pond water before carrying it over a challenge course. Only Patrick felt the need to personally check out the pond! A traditional campfire rounded off our Saturday and we were delighted to be able to invest Neha into the Pack at such a special time.

Sunday saw a Sedan Chair inspection followed by races in which White Six, participating as Canada, were ultimately victorious! They not only beat all the other Sixes but fought off the challenge made by the Young Leaders too. Camp was rounded off with a 'Cubs Own' on the theme of working together, something that everyone on camp had done so successfully during the weekend, followed by presentations:

Most Improved Climber – Nathan Hayes

Best Climber – Louise Perry

Best Six – *Claret Six*: Lucinda Butterworth, Akira Jepson, Amerleen Hundle, Theo Forshaw & Scott Bowden

Best Sixer – Amy Mackie & Callan Birt

Camp wouldn't be possible without the faithful band of Young Leaders, Leaders and parent helpers who work tirelessly to ensure the Cubs have an amazing time. A special thank you has to go to Mr Hough who catered for the whole weekend creating food around the Commonwealth theme and everyone who helped him in the kitchen. Jane Welch led camp this year as part of her Camp Permit renewal and what a good job she did of it – I'm sure the renewal shouldn't be a problem. Bravo!

As camp fades to a happy memory we are starting to think about the next set of recruits. If your child's name isn't yet on the waiting list for Cubs and they would like to join us please email me: Anna Hough—Akela alh@boltonschool.org