



# Bolton School Boys' Division Junior School

## Weekly Newsletter

Spring Term, 2022 — WEEK A

Wednesday 12th January



### DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

Thursday 13th January

Senior School  
Entrance Exam, Y6

U10 ABC Football vs  
Birkenhead (away) -  
KO 2.30pm

LAMDA, 4-5pm

Jujitsu, CANCELLED

Friday 15th January

Water Polo Training  
(by invitation only) 4pm

Fencing, 4-5pm

Hockey, 4-5pm / 4-5.30pm  
(Leverhulme Pavilion)

Monday 17th January

Y5 & Y6 After School Chess,  
4-5pm

Judo, 4-5pm

Teenage Journey, 7.30pm—  
Mental Health Support in  
Young People—via Zoom

Tuesday 18th January

Y4 After School Chess,  
4-5pm

Y5 & Y6 Dance Club, 4-5pm

Wednesday 19th January

Visit from Thomasson  
Memorial School, 2pm

Y6 Scouts, 4.30—6pm

### From Mr. Morris

Dear Parents,

Happy New Year.

I hope that you and your families all enjoyed the festive break and are refreshed, reinvigorated and ready for 2022!

The boys have settled quickly and are happy to be back amongst friends.

School is, for obvious reasons, well-ventilated and, therefore slightly on the chilly side. Please could boys remember to bring coats and hats so that they feel comfortable and warm throughout the day.

As is customary for the first week back, could you also ensure that your son has looked at all of the extra-curricular activities on offer so that he is able to take advantage of all of the exciting things that are going on in school. The schedule of weekly activities is linked to this newsletter and can be downloaded via Parent Portal.

We will be releasing more details in due course about events happening this term although it seems inevitable that some will be subject to restrictions on audiences.

We wish all of our Year 6 boys the best of luck for their Entrance Exam tomorrow – we are sure that you will do yourselves proud!

Please note that coaches will be running as normal, despite Senior pupils being off school for the day.

Best wishes, FM.

### Contacting the School Office

**Park Road, BOLTON, BL1 4RD. t: (01204) 434735**

**e: [parkroad@boltonschool.org.uk](mailto:parkroad@boltonschool.org.uk). [www.boltonschool.org](http://www.boltonschool.org)**

The School Office is open from 8.15 am — 4.15 pm during term time. Please note that any texts sent by the Office cannot be replied to. Please direct all enquiries to [parkroad@boltonschool.org](mailto:parkroad@boltonschool.org) and always include your son's first name and surname, as well as his form.

If your son is going to be absent from School, whether he be off sick or attending dental, medical or any other appointment, please email [parkroad@boltonschool.org](mailto:parkroad@boltonschool.org) so that the registers may be marked accordingly. Please use this email address for all day-to-day enquiries relating to school matters to ensure that your enquiry may be dealt with in a timely manner.

**For all coach / transport enquiries:** Logistics Co-Ordinator:  
Mr B. Gould, t: (01204) 434711, [bmgould@boltonschool.org.uk](mailto:bmgould@boltonschool.org.uk)



### Thursday 20th January

LAMDA, 4-5pm

Y5 Christmas

Jujitsu, 4-5pm

Cubs 6.30 –7.45pm

### Friday 21st January

Water Polo fixture vs SBSJ  
4-5pm

Fencing, 4-5pm

Hockey, 4-5pm / 4-5.30pm  
(Leverhulme Pavilion)

### Monday 24th January

Y6 Snowboarding, 4-7pm

Y5 & Y6 After School Chess,  
4-5pm

Judo, 4-5pm

### Tuesday 25th January

Y4 After School Chess,  
4-5pm

Y5 & Y6 Dance Club, 4-5pm

### Wednesday 26th January

Visit from Thomasson  
Memorial School, 2pm

Y6 Scouts, 4.30—6pm  
(Brookside)

Swim Development Club,  
4-5pm (by invitation)

## PA Matters

Keep your eyes peeled for news of the forthcoming Book Fair—more details in next week's newsletter!

## Burn's Night & Ceilidh

Tickets for the event on **Saturday 5th February** are £35 and **only 14 remain!** Flyer/order forms are downloadable on Parent Portal.

We are keeping a very close eye on what happens with the Covid-19 situation but can say that should circumstances remain the same, or improve, we are in a position to proceed with the event with a few provisions in place.

We are asking all guests to take a Lateral Flow Test before arriving at The Arts Centre.

Should your test be positive for Covid-19 or if you are isolating as a contact of someone who is positive kindly decline attending. You may hand the ticket to someone else, ask for a full refund or leave the money to cover the cost of the ordered meal.

Haggis orders have now been sent to the provider so it cannot be guaranteed, but it's always worth asking!

We are collecting any new and unused items for raffle prizes, as well as empty hamper baskets. This is a great opportunity for local businesses to get their details into the programme for the event by donating vouchers. Please email [mandyhundle@gmail.com](mailto:mandyhundle@gmail.com) with any offers.

## School Uniform Shop — Opening Hours

Please be aware that there will be changes to the trading hours for the School uniform shop, taking effect from **w/c 31st January** :-

Day	Open	Close
Monday	12:30	17:30
Tuesday	12:30	17:30
Wednesday	Closed	Closed
Thursday	Closed	Closed
Friday	12:30	17:30
Saturday	09:30	12:30

## This Week's Documents

This week's linked documents include:

[Menu for next week](#)

[ECA—1st half Spring Term 2022](#)

The newsletter is available on the school website at: <http://www.boltonschool.org/junior-boys/downloads/weekly-newsletter/current-newsletter/>.

**Copies of these documents are also available on Parent Portal**

## Achievements

Congratulations to Gwilym Dixon (4A), who has been selected for this year's Lancashire County U10 tennis squad.

He's worked hard for it, and is absolutely thrilled!

Well done, Gwilym !

Please do let us know if your son achieves great things outside of school—we would love to share his news with the whole Foundation !



## Extracurricular Activities

Boys have begun the new term by starting to take part in lots of extracurricular activities. As well as the usual sports, choirs and music clubs, we have introduced contemporary dance, climbing (over at Seniors), snowboarding and BookBound clubs.

Boys are encouraged to try to undertake a variety of activities.



## Cold Weather

Please ensure that your son brings a warm, waterproof coat to school each day. It is now very cold most days, and often wet, and we do expect the boys to go outside at break times, so a coat is very helpful indeed.

Please ensure that the coat is clearly named, as they do all begin to look very similar to each other when we have over two hundred coats in the building!

If your son wishes to wear a vest under his shirt, please also ensure this is named and white.



**DON'T FORGET**

**TO CHECK SOCS FOR ALL**

**SPORTS**

**FIXTURE INFORMATION**

## Royal Institution Christmas Lectures

Boys across school have been enjoying the Royal Institution Christmas Lectures in a twice weekly lunchtime club.

This year, the lectures, which are aimed at children and were aired on the BBC between Christmas and New Year, were led by Professor Sir Jonathan Van Tam and focussed on viruses: what they are, how they spread and how we can try to stop them.

The content and delivery of the very topical information is easily accessible and links closely with our science curriculum, particularly in Year 5. If your son hasn't been coming to the club, you can watch as a family using this BBC iPlayer link.

<https://www.bbc.co.uk/iplayer/episode/m0012tzd/royal-institution-christmas-lectures-2021-1-the-invisible-enemy>. KEW



Well done to Zain Atcha, in 6A, who has been doing his bit in the community to keep Bolton tidy by volunteering to go litter picking with Bolton Council.



What a great thing to do, Zain!

## Tub2Pub Collection

Don't throw your empty tubs of Celebrations, Roses, Quality Street etc. away when you've enjoyed the contents, please!

If you have any left at home, bring them into school at any time this month and we'll drop them off at a local Greene King pub to be recycled.

More information can be found at <https://tub2pub.co.uk/tub2pub/>

Many thanks! KEW

## Jujitsu: CANCELLED

Please note that there will be **NO JUJITSU** on **Thursday 13th January**.

Please ensure appropriate pick up arrangements are in place for your son at 3.55pm tomorrow if he would normally attend this after school.

## News from the Art Room

Instead of an "Artist of the Week" this week, all boys have been set a homework task to design and upload a monster to Showbie.

A former student is undertaking this project as part of his university Art course, so all boys are encouraged to take a look at the brief and resources, design something and upload it to Showbie.

Deadline for submissions is **Friday 21st January**.

There will be prizes for the best design in each class. Good luck! JM

## Bolton Children's Fiction Award

Further to Mr Franklin's email at the end of last term, please do encourage your son to read and order some of the fantastic books which have been shortlisted for this year's Bolton Children's Fiction Award this year.

More information will be sent home with the boys in due course.

Boys in Year 5 and 6 have been invited to sign up for one of the lunchtime BookBound Clubs, when boys will be reading some of the shortlisted titles.



## Year 6 Snowboarding Club

If your Year 6 son would like to learn to snowboard, please complete the Google Form below **BEFORE THE DEADLINE OF 4pm on MONDAY 17TH JANUARY**.

[https://docs.google.com/forms/d/e/1FAIpQLSfJdaD3ezj9GFlj29BA2gHRcl7besz6yk2Tlf\\_Am17txERgw/viewform?usp=pp\\_url](https://docs.google.com/forms/d/e/1FAIpQLSfJdaD3ezj9GFlj29BA2gHRcl7besz6yk2Tlf_Am17txERgw/viewform?usp=pp_url)

## Healthy Snacks

Just a reminder that boys can bring any number of healthy snacks into school to be eaten at break times - fruit, cereal bars, oat or rice cakes are all good at keeping hunger pangs at bay - but please note, no chocolate, sweets, biscuits, muffins or crisps are permitted. Drinks should only be water.



Any unhealthy snacks will be confiscated by a member of staff!

## Severe Weather Arrangements



Please find [linked here](#) a copy of the Severe Weather Arrangements letter which has been emailed to all parents this week.

A copy of the same is available to download on Parent Portal.