

BOLTON BROW BROADCAST

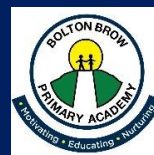
1st December 2023

The broadcast can also be found at: <https://www.boltonbrow.com/news>

Attendance – school target 97%

Average whole school attendance so far = 95.8%

Best Attended Class this Week: YR3 100% PTB!



Achievement Awards 1 st December 2023		AR Certificates
Nursery	Magnus	Rainbow: Max (Yr 5) & Aria G (Yr 4)
Reception	Cole & Harriet	
Year 1	Erin & Evie T	Bronze:
Year 2	Ollie & Alizah	
Year 3	Iris & Noah	Silver:
Year 4	Brendan & Olive	
Year 5	Kaiesh & Isaac	Gold:
Year 6	Leo B & Maya	

Dear Parents/Carers,

Now that we are in the month of December, I can now say – *it's beginning, just beginning*, to feel a lot like Christmas! This coming Monday, the school council will help me decorate the Christmas tree in the hall and the children from our nursery will help me assemble the Nativity scene in the school entrance. Keep an eye on our Twitter/X feed for photos! @Proud2bBrow. I also believe that the Bolton Brow Elf has returned today and has already started to cause mischief around school! Wish us all luck!

In the coming weeks the children will also start to rehearse and learn the carols for the up-and-coming carol service which will be held at Christ Church in Sowerby Bridge – you are all welcome to attend this short service, which will start at approximately 1:30pm on Friday 22nd December 2023.

Reception class, Year 1 and Year 2 are also hard at work learning all the songs along with learning their lines for their Nativity – A Happy-Clappy Nativity – a letter has gone out regarding tickets and with more information.

Children from Year 1 and year 2 have also been invited to be part of Ryburn Valley High School's Community lunch. Here they will share with the audience some of the wonderful songs from this year's nativity!

Just like previous years, we will be participating in the annual reindeer run, on Friday 15th December, to support a very important local charity; Overgate Hospice. Please do everything you can to sponsor your child/ren. Last year, we raised over £1500, which is an amazing amount of money for an important cause.

And finally, a big **PTB** thank you to all the PfA, volunteers and staff that helped ensure that the Christmas Fayre last Friday was a success. It was wonderful to see the hall buzzing with festive excitement – especially after the children visited Father Christmas!

Thank you. Take care, Mr P Kelesidis (Headteacher)

Festive Harvest

Just like last year we have decided to have a festive harvest collection. Just like the traditional harvest collection, we are asking you to bring in one or two of the following:

- Toiletries, deodorants, shampoo, shower gel
- Tins of meat/fish
- Cooking Sauces
- Cleaning items
- Pot Noodles / dried food goods
- Biscuits, tea and coffee

All the produce that is brought into school will be placed under our Christmas tree and, on the last day of term, will be collected by Happy Days - <https://www.happydaysuk.org/>

If each child brings in one item, we would have over 200 items which would be amazing. PTB.



Helping the Homeless

Bolton Brow Nursery - <https://www.boltonbrow.com/our-nursery>

Places are available now for children aged 3-5, with up to 30 hours free childcare available. If you are looking for somewhere your child can develop a love of learning as they play and explore in a safe and nurturing environment, visit the link above to find out more about our nursery. If you're interested in a place at Bolton Brow Nursery, please get in touch.

We'd be delighted to meet you and to talk about your child. **Spread the Word!**



Well-being

Remember, if you have any concerns about your child's wellbeing you may want to visit the school website where there is a dedicated section on supporting wellbeing and mental health. If you would prefer to speak in person you can ask to speak to Miss Wardle or any member of staff who will aim to provide support and guidance over the issue you are concerned about.

Please remember you can find useful links to support well-being on our updated website.

<https://www.boltonbrow.com/emotionalhealthandwellbeing>

Children In Need

Thank you for your support last Friday. I am proud to inform you all we raised £240.10. Thank you.



In the last broadcast I shared with you the Relationship Matters website.

Happy family relationships make us all feel good and help our children feel secure and loved. Often as a parent or carer, we are trying to juggle lots of things, and keep our own relationships as positive as can be. Sometimes all relationships can become difficult, and this may impact everyone. Relationships Matter has been created to provide advice, tips, and support to help keep our relationships positive and to support parents and carers.

Tools to Support

The following link will take you straight to the website's Tools to Support section of their website. Here you will find a wide range of practical resources and videos.

<https://relationshipsmatter.org.uk/tools-to-support/>

LOCAL HELP - Want more options where you live? Click below.

<https://relationshipsmatter.org.uk/calderdale-council/>

A message from Tom Palmer....

"I just wanted to invite you and your pupils to a FREE drop in meet the author event at The Thoughtful Spot, Halifax HX3 0LX on Saturday 9 December from 11 am to Midday.

I hope it might be of interest to share with your Bolton Brow Primary School pupils especially if you are studying the First or Second World Wars. If they are unable to attend, there are lots of free reads from my historical and sporting fiction here

<https://tompalmer.co.uk/free-reads/>

With very best wishes Tom.

Bolton Brow PFA – need your help!

This academic year the PFA have lots of exciting things planned to help raise money for our children. For any of these events to be a success they **NEED YOUR HELP**. If you can help, please contact pfa@boltonbrow.calderdale.sch.uk or speak to one of the team.

Up and coming events:

Secret Room – Wednesday 13th December 2023. More information attached to this week's broadcast.

BROWTIVITY:

Remember each week to try and make time for active play, just like you schedule time for homework.

This week's suggestion is: go for a walk and play in the leaves! If you can find any after the wind last week!

Calderdale Active Education



Safeguarding

We take our responsibilities in the safeguarding of the children at our school very seriously, following the guidance set out by the Department for Education. All members of our school community play a part in keeping our children safe. Here you can find out about the systems we have in place to do so, and what to do if you have any concerns about the safety of any of our children - please do act! More information can be found on the school website:

<https://www.boltonbrow.com/safeguarding>

Diary Dates.

Friday 15th December – Reindeer run for Overgate Hospice.

Tuesday 19th December EYFS/ KS1 Production 2.00pm (Tickets only)

Wednesday 20th December EYFS/KS1 Production 9.30am (Tickets only)

Wednesday 20th December 2023 Christmas Jumper Day

Wednesday 20th December 2023 Christmas Lunch

Wednesday 20th December 2023 – KS 2 Christmas parties (PM) More information to follow.

Thursday 21st December 2023 – EYFS & KS 1 Christmas Parties (PM) More information to follow.

Friday 22nd December 2023 Carol Service at Christchurch PM

Friday 22nd December 2023 – Break up for Christmas.

Monday 8th January 2024 – INSET day

Tuesday 9th January 2024 – school opens.

Wednesday 31st January 2024 – Parent/ Carer consultations

Friday 9th Feb 2024 – Break up for Half Term

Monday 19th February 2024 – school opens.

