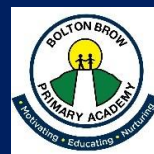


# BOLTON BROW BROADCAST

13<sup>th</sup> October 2023



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

**Attendance – school target 97%**

**Average whole school attendance so far = 92.1%**

**Best Attended Class this Week: Year 1 96.67% PTB!**

| Achievement Awards 6 <sup>th</sup> October 2022 |                    | Achievement Awards 13 <sup>th</sup> October 2022 |                    | Accelerated Reader Awards                               |
|---|--------------------|--|--------------------|---|
| Nursery   | Elora              | Nursery  | Freddie            | Rainbow:) Archie, Brendan & Eleanor (Yr3), Kacie (Yr 5) |
| Reception                                       | Joseph & Charlotte | Reception  | Lyla & Phoebe      |   |
| Year 1  | Eleanor & Willow   | Year 1   | Ettie-Rose & Jaxon | Bronze: Harry R & Yasmin (Tr4)                          |
| Year 2  | Dougie & Jax       | Year 2   | Evie & Ruben       |   |
| Year 3  | Daniel & Isabella  | Year 3   | Jack & Toby S      | Silver: Thomas (Yr 6)                                   |
| Year 4  | James & Daniel     | Year 4   | Albie & Aria       |   |
| Year 5  | Amelia & Louie     | Year 5   | Payton & Eliza     | Gold:   |
| Year 6  | Eli & Nicole       | Year 6   | Daisy & Belinda    |   |

## Dear Parents / Carers,

Over the last couple of weeks numerous sporting events have taken place. Children from KS2 visited Ryburn and took part in the annual cross-country event. I am proud to inform you that we have four children who will be representing the school in the Calderdale finals in November. PTB! And today, children in Year 4 took part in the cluster dodgeball festival, again at Ryburn – a fabulous event which demonstrated a bucketful of speed, agility, and resilience! Year 3 had to rearrange their walk to Wainhouse Tower, however, on Monday they visited this amazing local historical spot and spent quality time reading their letters underneath the looming shadow of the tower and undertook a treasure hunt! I wonder if they found any dragon eggs.

Next week we will have our first parent/carer consultations of the year. These are always important meetings where your child's class teacher can share targets and discuss with you how to support your child at home. If you have not already, please make sure you book an appointment via the link sent to you last week by text/email. Remember, we do have an open-door policy, and, if you need to speak to a class teacher at any other time, you can make an appointment through the school office.

Today I met with the school council, and with the support from the class councils, we have decided on the final design for the school flag – we hope it will be flying from the school flagpole very soon! At the meeting we also discussed how we can make our school *even better* and their ideas will be shared with the class councils in the coming weeks.

It is great to see so many of you attending our Tea and Toast on Tuesdays! It's a great way to start the day but also lovely to chat to you about your child's education and wellbeing. It's also a fantastic opportunity for you to catch up with friends and make new friends! At any point that you find you are going through a bit of a rough patch or need some extra support, remember, we are here to help you and your family - please come and speak to us.

And finally, can I please remind you all to park in a sensible way and ensure we do so legally without causing any congestion, both at the start of the day and the end of the day. Your support is really appreciated.

Take Care. Mr P Kelesidis (Headteacher)

## E Safety - Online safety at home. Steps you can take to help keep your child safer online:

**Parental controls:** Parental controls have been designed to help you manage your child's online activities. There are various types, some of which are free but others which can be bought. However, nothing is totally fool proof so this shouldn't replace the support and guidance you give your child to help keep them safer. For more information and step by step instructions on setting up parental controls, visit:

[Parental Controls & Privacy Settings Guides - Internet Matters.](#)

**Supervise their online activity:** Keep the devices your child uses in communal areas of the house such as the living room or kitchen, where an adult can supervise.

Primary-age children should not access the internet in private spaces alone, such as in a bedroom or bathroom.

**Explore together and chat little and often:** Ask your child to show you their favourite apps, games and sites and encourage them to teach you how to use these. Ask them if anything ever worries them online. Make sure they know they won't be in trouble and can get help by talking to you or another adult they trust if anything happens online that makes them feel worried, sad or scared.

**Remember, primary-age children should be always supervised when online.**



## Reception Class 2024 - <https://www.boltonbrow.com/admissions>

We will be holding our open day for prospective families on the following date & times:

Tuesday 7<sup>th</sup> November at 4:00pm and 5:00pm.

Please contact the school office to book a place. **Spread the word!**

If you need further advice or support, please contact school.



### 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>

**This week's top tip: Mindful breathing.**

**Workshops - Remember to visit:**

<https://openmindscamhs.org.uk/parent-carer-workshops/>

### Mindful breathing



This exercise can be used as a relaxing and thoughtful way to start the day, end the day or help relax and calm your child.

**Tip:** find somewhere quiet or put on some relaxing music in the background. For younger children, this can be done with a parent or teacher guiding them. For older children, it can be done alone or with others.

1. Find a comfortable place to sit or to lie down on your back.
2. Place your hands on your stomach.
3. Take a big deep breath – in through your nose and out through your mouth. Do this three times and then gently close your eyes.
4. Continue to slowly breathe in through your nose and count 1, 2, 3 in your head (or out loud).
5. Hold your breath and count 1, 2, 3 in your head (or out loud).
6. Slowly breathe out through your mouth and count 1, 2, 3 in your head (or out loud).
7. Count 1, 2, 3 in your head (or out loud) and then breathe in again through your nose.
8. Repeat these steps for five minutes and think about the questions below while you are breathing.
9. When you have finished, gently open your eyes. Have a look at the room around you and think about how you feel. Do you feel different compared to before the activity?

### 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](mailto:pfa@boltonbrow.calderdale.sch.uk) or speak to one of the team.

#### Up and coming events:

Friday 27<sup>th</sup> October – Halloween Disco 6-8pm. **This is a ticket only event.** The PFA will be selling tickets on Wednesday, Thursday and Friday next week, before and after school or until they sell out. First come first served.

### BROWTIVITY:

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

**This week's suggestion is:**

**Can you walk and stride to school?**



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

Wednesday 18<sup>th</sup> October – Parent/ Carer Consultation Meetings 2pm – 7pm

Thursday 26<sup>th</sup> October – YR2 Trip to Jerusalem Farm

Thursday 26<sup>th</sup> October – Reception Class Parent/Carer Phonics session 3.30pm – 4pm

Friday 27<sup>th</sup> October – PFA Halloween Disco 6-8pm – Ticket only Event

Half Term Monday 30<sup>th</sup> October - Friday 3<sup>rd</sup> November 2023

Monday 6<sup>th</sup> November 2023 School Closed – Cluster Training Day

Tuesday 7<sup>th</sup> November – Reception Tour for 2024 4pm & 5pm

Sunday 12<sup>th</sup> November 2023 – Remembrance Service at Crow Wood Park – Parade leaves at 10.30am from Bairstow Mount or meet at the Crow Wood Park Memorial Gates

Monday 13<sup>th</sup> November – Wear odd socks day (Anti-bullying week)

**Friday 17<sup>th</sup> November – Children in Need Day – BE SPOTACULAR**

Monday 20<sup>th</sup> & Tuesday 21<sup>st</sup> November – YR6 Bikability

Friday 24<sup>th</sup> November – PFA Christmas Fayre

Tuesday 19<sup>th</sup> December EYFS/ KS1 Production (more Information to follow)

Wednesday 20<sup>th</sup> December EYFS/KS1 Production (more Information to follow)

Wednesday 20<sup>th</sup> December 2023 Christmas Jumper Day

Wednesday 20<sup>th</sup> December 2023 Christmas Lunch

Friday 22<sup>nd</sup> December 2023 Carol Service at Christchurch PM

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