



NEWSLETTER

9th January 2026

Welcome back, we hope you all had a lovely break. The children have come back re-energised and ready to learn which is always a very positive start back after a break. The weather has been a little chilly this first week back and we thank you for your support with the altered arrangements for the children entering school. We will be back to normal next week but should this change we will notify you via the texting service. Punctuality is key to the children starting the day positively, can we remind families that the doors open at 8.25am so that the children can be in class and ready to start their learning at 8.30am. We leave the doors/gates open until 8.35am for any stragglers but are finding more and more arriving at this time. We appreciate that the weather has not been good this week but we ask our families to ensure children are here to enter school at 8.25am. Thank you for support.

Y5 children will be attending Mount St Josephs for a taster day next Friday morning and in the afternoon as part of the #FarnworthMatters project they will have a visit from Azeem from the GB visually impaired football team and will take part in some activities with him. Y5 will need to wear PE uniform on Friday.

PE Uniform

PE kits are part of the school uniform and not an opportunity for children to wear their own clothes.

The expectation from school is for children to wear the correct kit:

Plain black joggers/leggings, a plain white t-shirt and blue PE hoodie (if you are not able to purchase one of these they must wear their school jumper or cardigan) and trainers.

The office will send out a gentle reminder from next week if your child is not in the correct uniform for PE. Thank you for your support.

After School Clubs

Our teacher-led after school clubs will start week commencing 19th January 2026 and will run for 4 weeks.

This term we are offering: Performing Arts, Board Games and Science Club. The children who have been chosen will receive a letter with the details. Recorder Club will also start the same week and run for 4 weeks also.

ECO club will run for 2 weeks during this time, we will advise on the chosen dates.

Meals

You MUST inform the school office if you wish to change your child's meal option at lunchtime.

Also, if you are taking your child out of school over the lunch period for an appointment you must inform the office in advance so that a meal is not ordered for those on school meals—charges will still apply if we have not been informed.

Parking

The yellow lines outside of school should be left clear at all times. Could we please ask parents and carers to respectfully not park their vehicles here to drop the children off at school.

Free School Meal Eligibility

Some families may be eligible for free school meals and are not aware of it. If you think you may be eligible please use this link: [BMBC Free School Meals](#) Please see the Quick Guide to Free School Meals attached to the newsletter. If you require any assistance please speak to the school office. We do not want any of our families missing out on free meals if they are entitled.

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REMINDERS

Please can we remind parents/carers:

- ◆ Earrings must be removed on PE Days
- ◆ No other jewellery to be worn with the exception of stud earrings
- ◆ Outdoor coat to be brought to school every day
- ◆ Standard size water bottle brought to school every day (only water, no juices)
- ◆ School reading folders should be brought to school everyday unless instructed otherwise
- ◆ Please check reading folders each night for any information sent home from school
- ◆ Names are written in all school uniform
- ◆ We are a NUT FREE school

Spring 1

After School Clubs

Mon-KS1 Hip Hop
Wed-KS2 Hip Hop

Spring Term PE Days

Monday	Reception
Tuesday	Nursery
Wednesday	Y1 and Y5
Thursday	Y2 and Y3
Friday	Y4 and Y6

Dates for your diary

16th January 2026	Y5 to attend MSJ taster session (am) and #FM visitor (pm) - to wear PE uniform
21st January 2026	Y1 Hearing Assessments in school (letter emailed to families)
28th January 2026	Y5/6 Dodgeball PE Cluster event (selected children)
11th February 2026	Y5/6 Girls 5-a-side Football PE Cluster event (selected children)
13th February 2026	School closes at normal time for February half term
16th-20th February 2026	February half term (1 week)

Primary School Applications

Families of children due to start Reception in September 2026 can start to apply for places through the Citizen Portal, using this link:
[Bolton Citizen Portal Reception Places Applications](#)
Closing date is 15th January 2026

Stars of the Week

Nursery	Gracia, Raphael	Year 3	Michael, Mercedes
Reception	Musa, Yusuf	Year 4	Maia, Isobel
Year 1	Esther, Hilton	Year 5	Davian, Umair
Year 2	Larson, Jedidiah	Year 6	Melissa, Clara

UNIFORM

LOLO blue sweatshirt or cardigan, grey skirt/pinafore or trousers, yellow polo shirt.
Girls: white socks or grey tights
Boys: grey socks
Black shoes (no boots or trainers)

PE Uniform: LOLO PE hoodie, white t-shirt (plain no writing or pictures), black joggers or leggings, trainers

**** CHILDREN SHOULD COME TO SCHOOL IN THEIR PE UNIFORM ON THEIR ALLOCATED PE DAY ****

Weekly Attendance

Reception	93.4%
Year 1	98.3%
Year 2	94.6%
Year 3	98.9%
Year 4	98.7%
Year 5	98.7%
Year 6	99.4%
School	97.5%



Attendance Trophy Winner



Absence Reporting

You should call the school office before 9 a.m. each day of your child's absence

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USEFUL LINKS

[Parish Newsletters](#)

[School Website](#)

[Term Dates](#)

[School Facebook](#)

[Free School Meals Applications](#)

[MCAS Online Payments](#)

[Out of School Activities](#)

[Bolton Council Admissions](#)

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