



Holy Infant & St Anthony RC Primary School

Inspiring each other to excellence, guided by the light of Christ.

Headteacher: Mrs D Furlong

Newsletter

17th July 2026

Message from the Headteacher

As we reach the end of another wonderful school year, I want to take a moment to reflect on all that we have achieved and to thank you for your support. We work hard to make school the best place it can be for your children and we value the partnership that exists between us. As always, your children are our shining stars! They come to school each day with big smiles on their faces, ready to learn and they give us moments of joy every day.

In January (which seems so long ago), we welcomed Ofsted inspectors to school. Since then we have carried on relentlessly to build on the many successes they acknowledged and address areas that need attention. We look forward to welcoming Ofsted back at some point in the next 12 months for a re-assessment.

I would like to say a heartfelt thanks to all school staff who go above and beyond every day, working in the best interests of the children. Their dedication to Holy Infants makes it such a special place to work. I would also like to thank our Governing Board who have an unwavering commitment to school, and who invest a great deal of time and energy, all in a voluntary capacity.

All staff members would like to thank our parents, carers and families for their support this year. We hope you have a lovely holiday. We look forward to welcoming everyone back in September, refreshed and ready for another enjoyable and productive year together.

With prayers and best wishes!

Attendance

<u>Class</u>	<u>Attendance</u>
Reception	95.31%
Year 1	94.59%
Year 2	94.44%
Year 3	94.77%
Year 4	95.39%
Year 5	95.26%
Year 6	92.62%

This Year's winners are



Well done!

Good bye and good luck to our Year 6 children!

To our Year 6 pupils preparing to move on to secondary school, we send them with our love, prayers and blessings. We are confident that the strong foundations they have built here at Holy Infants will serve them well in the next chapter of their journey. They have really matured this year and are showing a readiness for the next phase of their education. We wish them all the best as they move on. We hope they continue to develop their talents and skills by making the most of all the opportunities that will be on offer to them in high school.



HOLY INFANT AND ST. ANTHONY RC PRIMARY SCHOOL 2026



Holy Infants Talent Show





WELL DONE EVERYONE!

Attendance Superstars

These children are our Attendance Superstars! They have either achieved 100% attendance for this academic year or have shown the greatest improvement in their attendance.

This is a huge achievement that demonstrates commitment, resilience, and a positive attitude towards learning.

Well done – we are incredibly proud of you!



Reports

Thank you to those who have returned the comments page from the end of year reports. We are always open to feedback, and wanted to share some of the positive comments we have received.

Parent comments:

‘Delighted...the environment at Holy Infants allows our child to be himself.’

‘Wonderful to see our child’s confidence blossom.’

‘Thank you for all your help this year.’

‘We appreciate the progress our child has made.’

‘Grateful to all teachers of my child for their hard work and dedication.’

Child comments:

‘I am proud of my school.’

‘Thank you to my teacher for helping me be a better version of myself.’

‘I am happy with the progress I have made. I promise I will continue in that light next year.’

I am happy to be at my school with my teachers and friends.’

Robinwood

The children who went to Robinwood had a brilliant time and were great ambassadors for school. Parents were kept informed of their exploits on our school Facebook page but here are some more photographs from the weekend. Thank you to Mr Forrest and Mrs Montell for accompanying the children.



More Photos on Facebook

Uniform Donations

As we reach the end of the school year next week, we are looking for donations of school uniform.

If you have any of the new-logo jumpers, cardigans, or PE tops that are still in good condition, we would be very grateful if you could donate them to the school.

These items may be very useful for families who are experiencing financial difficulties, or for children who may have forgotten items of their uniform.

Thank you for your support and generosity. Every donation is greatly appreciated.



Bolton's Holiday Activities and Food Programme



#HAF2026 is back for Summer!

Funded by the Department for Education (DfE) and co-ordinated locally by Bolton Council, the HAF programme supports children and families on **benefits related Free School Meals** with **FREE physical and enriching activities** alongside a **hot meal** for a minimum of **4 hours** a day, **4 days** a week!

Whether you love **sport**, enjoy the **arts**, or just want something **fun** to do with **friends**, our HAF programme is jam packed with **unique experiences** in a location near you! Simply click on the link below to book a place.

For further information see their webpage:

[Holiday activities and food – Bolton Council](https://www.bolton.gov.uk/HAF)

Baking and Cooking Workshops

Over the summer, Cooking Wizards are running FREE baking and pizza making workshops in Bolton's Best Start Family Hubs!

If your child is interested in learning kitchen skills and sampling some of their tasty creations, book them a place by contacting Rizwana on 07780 840338 or by emailing enquiries@cookingwizards.co.uk

Session times below 

Pizza Making Workshop:

-  Farnworth Family Hub 25 Jul 2026, 10:00am - 12:00pm
-  Oxford Grove Family Hub 1 Aug 2026, 10:00am - 12:00pm
-  Tonge Family Hub 8 Aug 2026, 10:00am - 12:00pm

Baking Workshop:

-  Farnworth Family Hub 15 Aug 2026, 10:00am - 12:00pm
-  Oxford Grove Family Hub 22 Aug 2026, 10:00am - 12:00pm



Children 8 and over

Cooking Wizards

Come and join Cooking Wizards for a baking workshop!

Farnworth - 15th Aug
Oxford Grove - 22nd Aug

10-12noon
Please contact 07780840338 to book a place.

Part of Bolton Family Hubs Network

BEST START IN LIFE



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Come and join Cooking Wizards for a pizza making workshop!

Farnworth - 25th July
Oxford Grove - 1st Aug
Tonge - 8th Aug

All classes are 10-12noon
Please contact 07780840338 to book a place.

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BEST START IN LIFE

myHappymind Bronze Accreditation



Parents and Carers – Thank You!

We are proud to announce that we are now a myHappymind Bronze Accredited School. This Accreditation recognises schools that are embedding the myHappymind curriculum into school life and taking real action to improve the mental health and wellbeing of the school community.

We would like to thank those parents who provided feedback about the programme, which supported our application.

As our application was successful, we will receive some fantastic resources to help us further embed the myHappymind curriculum, including a Wheel of Gratitude to help us develop an Attitude of Gratitude.

If you would like to learn more about the science of myHappymind and how you can use myHappymind techniques at home, why not explore myHappymind Founder Laura Earnshaw's best-selling book *My Happy Mind*:

<https://myhappymind.org/mhmbbook>

Please also remember to sign up to the FREE Parent App. You can use the QR code below to download it.

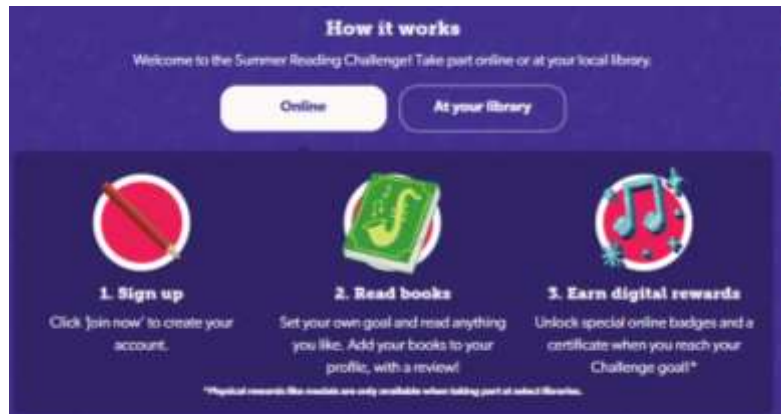
Many thanks,



Summer Reading Challenge

The Reading Agency is once again organising the Summer Reading Challenge this year, with the theme "Read to the Beat."

The challenge is designed to encourage children to keep reading throughout the summer holidays. Children can set their own reading goals and choose the books they'd like to enjoy. These can include online stories, or they can visit their local library to borrow books.



Please see link below to register for the summer reading challenge online or visit Bolton library

Summer Reading Challenge

Girls Football Club



Wednesday Word

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Wednesday 2nd September

Good News for Families

2 Wednesday's Word RECONCILIATION

1 Enjoy reading this Sunday's Gospel

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Jesus said to his disciples, "If your brother does something against you, point out his fault to him when the two of you are alone together. If he listens to you, then you have won your brother back. But if he does not listen to you, then you should take one or two others along with you, so that every word you say may be confirmed by them. If he still refuses to listen, tell the whole church community; and if he even refuses to listen to the Church, treat him as an outcast. I tell you truly, if two of you on earth agree what to ask for, then my Father in heaven will grant it. If two or three come together in my name, there I am with them."



Which words stood out for you in this Gospel, and why? What does the picture make you think about? Now enjoy exploring this Wednesday's word, which is **RECONCILIATION**



SMARTSEARCH: FIND THESE EIGHT WORDS EITHER ACROSS OR DOWN

WEDNESDAY WORDSEARCH	☐	JESUS DISCIPLES	☐
	☐	BROTHER FAULT	☐
	☐	ALONE TOGETHER	☐
	☐	WIN BACK	☐
	☐		☐
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SUPERSEARCH: FIND THE WORDS BACKWARDS OR DIAGONALLY

G T L U A F D K E R W A
F A U L T B I T N I L D
B A C K X R S O N O J C
D K N D N O C G N L R V
B I C W I T I E N S E G
M R S A N H P T J U H V
Q T O C B E L H E S T C
Y A N T I R E E S C E E
E L W Y H P S R U G C
X O R H W E L T S W O X
P N B G A K R E F E T F
F E W I N R H B S S G N

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 if _____ brother listens to you, _____
 you have _____ your _____ back.

Write a promise and then draw a big smile on Friday

This week I will try my best to...

DID YOU KNOW? The Church provides a wonderful way to be reconciled with God through the Sacrament of Reconciliation (Confession). Find out more from your local parish church.

Parent Workshop



**WOODBIDGE
SEND SERVICE**

PARENT WORKSHOP

Emotional Freedom Tapping (EFT)

Elevate your parenting toolkit with Carol Ann Weston, an Advanced EFT Practitioner, who teaches parents how to use evidence-based Tapping(EFT) themselves to regulate stress, model emotional resilience and create a calmer more connected home environment.

Cost: £15 per family
maximum 2 to attend
Date: Friday 16th October 2026
9.30-10.30

Woodbridge Training Hub
Waggon Road, Bolton
www.woodbridgesend.co.uk



Bolton Lads and Girls Club Summer Clubs



JUMP INTO SUMMER

WITH #HAF!

GET READY FOR

- + Football + Arts and crafts
- + Baking + Cooking
- + Multisports + Gaming
- + Planting + Workshops
- + Trips + Rock Climbing

JUNIORS
Ages 8-12
10am-2pm

JULY
MON 20 - THUR 23
MON 27 - THUR 30

AUGUST
MON 03 - THUR 06
MON 10 - THUR 13

CALL NOW
PAID PLACES AVAILABLE

01204 540100 to book your place
PLACES ARE LIMITED, SO BOOK NOW

Bolton Council



JUMP INTO SUMMER

Age 8-12	Age 13-18	Age 19-25	Age 13-18	Age 8-12	Age 13-18
MON CONNECT CLUB Club For those with a diagnosed SEND 4 ⁰⁰ -8 ⁰⁰ PM	TUES BEYOND CONNECT Club For those with a diagnosed SEND 4 ⁰⁰ -6 ⁰⁰ PM	TUES SENIOR CLUB 5 ⁰⁰ -9 ⁰⁰ PM	WED JUNIOR CLUB 4 ⁰⁰ -7 ⁰⁰ PM	THUR SENIOR CLUB 5 ⁰⁰ -9 ⁰⁰ PM	FRI JUNIOR CLUB 4 ⁰⁰ -7 ³⁰ PM
			SAT SATURDAY SQUAD JUNIORS Limited places 2 ⁰⁰ -3 ⁰⁰ PM	SAT SENIOR CLUB 4 ⁰⁰ -7 ³⁰ PM	

FREE TO JOIN!

Sign up online using the QR Code before your first session
All sessions & membership are FREE!

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SIGN UP NOW!

