

# Information Newsletter

16<sup>th</sup> January 2026

## Bed Time Stories Event/ Nighttime Story Event

Thank you to everyone that signed up to the events. This is a reminder that Tuesday 20<sup>th</sup> January 2026 is the Bed Time Stories event for EYFS, Year 1 and Year 2 children. On Thursday 22<sup>nd</sup> January 2026 is the Nighttime Story Walk Event for KS2 Children (anyone in year 3 or above).

Children will need to be collected as usual from school, at the usual time. They can pop on their pyjamas, collect a teddy or blanket and get ready to head back to school for 4:30. The stories for both events are aimed at the children in those year groups. The school will have some second hand books available in the hall at the start of the events if you would like to have a browse. The school is asking for a 10p donation per book for these.

Welcome to this week's Information Newsletter

If your child is off school, please can you call the school office

**01246 823240.**



## School Uniform

Please can you ensure that your child is wearing the correct school uniform. No hoodies or slogans. Clothing embroidered with the school logo is optional. Generic clothing is perfectly acceptable and can be purchased from most supermarkets. Please can you ensure all your child's belongings are named.

Uniform embroidered with the school logo are available to order From Sprint Sport & Leisure in Bolsover [click here](#) at reasonable prices.

## **Dates for Diary**

Date	Event
<b>Tuesday 20<sup>th</sup> January</b>	<b>Bedtime Stories Event for EYFS and KS1</b>
<b>Thursday 22<sup>nd</sup> January</b>	<b>Night-Time Story Walk Event for KS2</b>
<b>Friday 13<sup>th</sup> February</b>	<b>Inset Day</b>
<b>Monday 16<sup>th</sup> February- Friday 20<sup>th</sup> February</b>	<b>Half Term</b>
<b>Monday 9<sup>th</sup> March- Wednesday 11<sup>th</sup> March</b>	<b>Y5 PGL Residential</b>
<b>May</b>	<b>KS1 Tests</b>
<b>Monday 11<sup>th</sup> May- Thursday 14<sup>th</sup> May</b>	<b>KS2 SATs</b>
<b>Monday 1<sup>st</sup> June- Friday 12<sup>th</sup> June</b>	<b>Multiplication Tests</b>

## Jewellery

No jewellery except the wearing of pierced earring studs is allowed in school.

### Rules about piercings

For Health and Safety reasons, the school will only allow the following piercings to be worn.

- Stud earrings only allowed
- Jewellery can be a safety hazard, and it gets lost easily.
- Parents considering allowing their children to have ear piercings are recommended to have this done at the beginning of the summer holidays to allow time for healing.
- All ear piercings must be removed for PE and swimming. If children are unable to remove them themselves, they should be removed before the start of the school day.



## Parking

Please park considerately and legally before school and at home-time.

- Do not park on yellow or white lines.
- Do not park on the pavement.
- Do not block any driveways.
- Do not park in front of the double gates.
- Do not park in the Bus Bay.

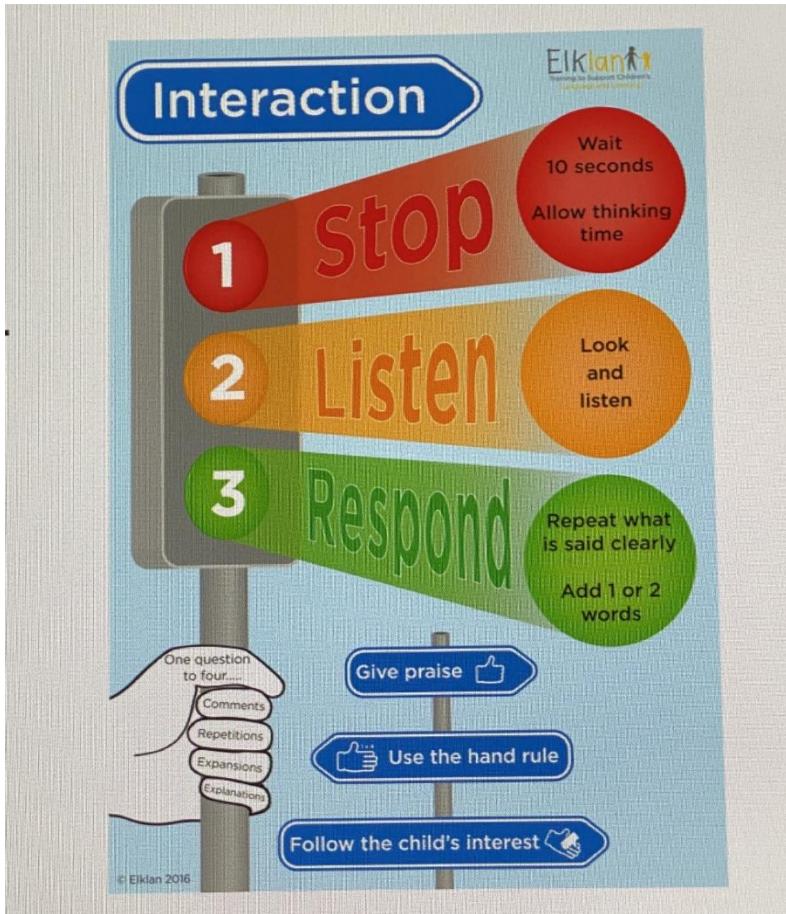
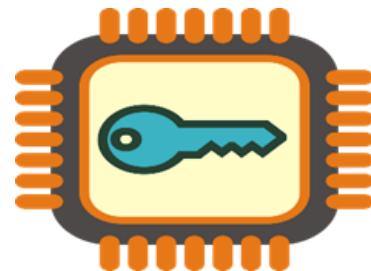
Autumn & Winter Menu					
Bolsover Junior School					
Week 1		Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday
03.11.25	The Main Event	Beef Bolognese with Pasta & Seasonal Vegetables	Crispy Chicken or Quorn Burger in a Bun with Potato Wedges & Seasonal Vegetables	Pork Toad in the Hole with Mashed Potatoes, Seasonal Vegetables & Gravy	Sweet & Sour Quorn Dipper with Mixed Rice & Seasonal Vegetables
24.11.25		Margherita Pizza & Seasonal Vegetables	Pasta with a Creamy Tomato Sauce & Seasonal Vegetables	Vegetarian Toad in the Hole with Mashed Potatoes, Seasonal Vegetables & Gravy	Vegetarian Mince Layered Tortilla Stack with Mixed Rice
15.12.25	Alternative Choice				
19.01.26					
09.02.26					
09.03.26	Daily Choice				
	Dessert	Gingerbread Cookie	Chocolate Orange Muffin	Cornflake Bar	Lemon Sponge Tart & Custard
		Autumn Fruit Crumble with Custard			

## School Gates

Please can you make sure you close the gates upon entering and exiting the school premises.

Press the buzzer- A staff member from the school office will respond.

Please identify yourself and the reason for needing to enter the premises. This is for security reasons.



## 10 Second Rule

Over the next two weeks in school all staff are encouraging children to create a thought and answer for themselves.

Waiting 10 seconds gives your child time to process, to think and respond, so they answer for themselves.

Wait 10 seconds when:

- Giving instructions
- Offering choices
- Modelling new words
- Commenting on their play

### Communication and Language Top Tips: 10 Seconds

Wait 10 seconds, watching and listening to give your child a chance to take a turn.



Count to ten slowly in your head.

#### Watch, wait, and listen



1. Repeat back to your little one, what they are doing.
2. Allow your child ten seconds to respond.
3. Make it playful.

Scan QR code or click the link to see the video:  
[youtube.com/watch?v=lf-oogampck](https://youtube.com/watch?v=lf-oogampck)

#### Ten seconds



- Pause
- Wait
- Count to ten

Scan QR code or click the link to see the video:  
[YouTube - Golden Rule 2 - 10 Seconds](https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=Golden%20Rule%202%20-%2010%20Seconds)

#### Did you know...

Waiting 10 seconds gives your child time to process and respond.

Giving them time to respond allows your child to think and answer for themselves.

Children need time to create a thought process; not allowing them enough time to respond can make this difficult for them.

Children need time to process what adults are saying or asking them.

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#### Conversations



- Babies can learn back-and-forth conversational patterns.
- Encourage this by giving your baby time to respond to you.
- Listen to the noises they make during play and react to them.

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<https://www.bbc.co.uk/tiny-happy-people>

#### Playing together



- Play games and give children time to respond.
- Role play and recreate experiences.

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[Doctor Pretend Play - BBC Tiny Happy People](https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=Doctor%20Pretend%20Play%20-%20BBC%20Tiny%20Happy%20People)