Summer Holiday Support

Take a look at what is on in Bolton for children over the summer holidays.



Summer Reading Challenge Launch

"Read to the Beat". Join Bolton Library and Museum Services at the launch event of this year's Summer Reading Challenge. Sign up, grab books, and take part in activities to inspire you for your challenge.

Bolton Central Library
Saturday 18 Jul
11:00am - 3:00pm

Cooking Wizards

Classes to help children aged 8 and over learn basic cooking skills to boost confidence and independence. *Advanced booking required. To book email: enquiries@cookingwizards.co.uk

Oxford Grove Family Hub
***Saturday 1 Aug & 22 Aug**

Bolton Lads and Girls Club (BLGC)

Join BLGC Infinity (Spa Road), for free fun and activities! Enjoy the gym, games room, music studio, art room and more. Members can also fuel up on a hot meal.

- Junior clubs ages 8-12
- Senior clubs ages 13-18
- Connect ages 8-18 (SEND)
- Beyond Connect ages 8-18 (SEND)

Membership is free:
www.blgc.co.uk
BLGC also offers support for young people's wellbeing, confidence, and mental health. Self-referrals accepted. Find out more: **www.blgc.co.uk/targeted-youth-services/what-we-offer**

Theatre in the Park

Join Bolton Library and Museum Services at Elizabeth Park (opposite Bolton Market) over the Summer Holidays for free family friendly theatre shows.
Each show varies in length between 30-45 minutes and is perfect for all the family. If the weather proves too bad for the show to go ahead in the park, we will relocate into Bolton Central Library. It's free and there's no need to book!

Elizabeth Park
Thursdays (except 27 Aug), 11:00am and 2:00pm

WHAT'S ON AT:
OXFORD GROVE BEST START FAMILY HUB
Shepherd Cross St, BL1 3BH
Telephone: 01204 337090

Find us on Facebook

Hub opening hours:
8:45am - 6:00pm
Monday to Friday
9:00am - 4:00pm
Saturday 1 Aug and 22 Aug



Sports Afternoons

Tuesday 1st September – new Year 6 at 2:00pm
Wednesday 2nd September – new Year 5 at 2:00pm
Thursday 3rd September – new Year 4 at 2:00pm
Friday 4th September – new Year 3 at 2:00pm
Monday 7th September – new Year 2 at 2:00pm
Tuesday 8th September – new Year 1 at 2:00pm



RRR Assemblies

Thursday 10th September – new Year 6 at 8:30am
Thursday 17th September – new Year 5 at 8:30am
Thursday 24th September – new Year 4 at 8:30am
Thursday 1st October – new Year 3 at 8:30am
Thursday 8th October – new Year 2 at 8:30am
Thursday 15th October – new Year 1 at 8:30am

Important Diary Dates

Remember - you can check the Calendar section of our school website for important diary dates—scan the QR code.

Summer Term 2026

Monday 6th July - Friday 17th July – New Year 3 swimming lessons daily
Friday 17th July – Year 6 Leavers assembly at 10:00am (Old Year 6 parents/carers invited)
Friday 17th July – School closes at 1:00pm

Autumn Term 2026

Tuesday 1st September – School reopens at the usual time of 8:30am
Thursday 22nd - Friday 30th October – School closed for half term (1 week and 2 days)
Monday 30th November – School closed (1 day)
Friday 18th December – School closes for Christmas holidays

Spring Term 2027

Tuesday 5th January – School reopens at the usual time of 8:30am
Monday 15th - Monday 22nd February – School closed for half term (1 week and 1 day)
Thursday 25th March – School closes for Easter holidays

Summer Term 2027

Tuesday 6th April – School reopens at the usual time of 8:30am
Monday 3rd May – School closed—bank holiday (1 day)
Monday 24th May - Monday 7th June – School closed for half term (2 weeks and 1 day)
Friday 23rd July – School closes for summer holidays

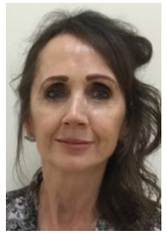
Social Media
If you would like to receive updates on safeguarding and key school information on X, please follow us:
@OxfordGrovePri

Our 2026-2027 holiday list is available on the school website.

Oxford Grove Newsletter

JULY 2026

Farewell to our wonderful Mrs Hart!



After more than 40 years of dedicated service, Oxford Grove is preparing to say a heartfelt farewell to Mrs Hart as she begins her well-earned retirement. Throughout her long career as a teaching assistant, Mrs Hart has been a constant presence and a source of kindness, patience and encouragement for many cohorts of children. She has supported so many of our children on their learning journeys, helping them to grow in confidence, achieve their potential and create happy memories of their time at Oxford Grove that will last a lifetime.
Her caring nature and warm smile have made a lasting impression, not only on the children and families she has worked with but also on countless colleagues who have had the privilege of working with her.



Since 1980, Mrs Hart has been an invaluable member of our school team, always willing to lend a helping hand, offer words of gentle encouragement and go the extra mile to ensure everyone feels valued and supported. Over the decades, she has witnessed many changes in education, welcomed new generations of children through our doors and become a much-loved and familiar face within the school community. Her expertise in creating beautiful, innovative school displays has helped to embed a warm and welcoming environment for everyone who enters Oxford Grove.





As Mrs Hart embarks on this exciting new chapter, we would like to thank her for her outstanding commitment, unwavering dedication and the countless lives she has touched over the past four decades. While she will be greatly missed, we wish her many happy, healthy and relaxing times ahead, filled with family, friends, new adventures and all the things she has always deserved to enjoy.



Congratulations, Mrs Hart, on an extraordinary career, and thank you for everything you have done for Oxford Grove.

If any of our families or past pupils would like to come and say goodbye, Mrs Hart will be available at the front of school from 12:30pm on the last day of school – Friday 17th July.



REMINDER

School closes at 1pm on Friday 17th July.

A Year in the Life 2025-2026

Autumn 2025



Years 4, 5 and 6 enjoyed immersive VR workshops on their Geography topics.



Years 1-6 applied their Computer Science skills at Bolton Schools ICT.

Years 1 to 6 learned cooking skills in Design and Technology week.

"I loved the cooking! I liked it when we chopped the vegetables into little pieces." - Amira, Year 3



Year 1 went on a local area walk for their learning in Geography.

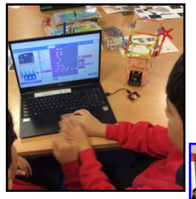
Our annual Sports Afternoons were a huge success!



"I have really enjoyed all my time at Oxford Grove and I'm going to be so sad to leave!" - Eshaal, Year 6



Foundation Stage enjoyed a visit from a real firefighter and a fire engine!



Thank you for all of your Harvest gifts!

KS2 children enjoyed taking part in football festivals.





Year 5 visited 'Bring Yer Wellies' for their Geography learning.



Families were invited into school to learn about how we teach Geography.



Families were invited into school to learn about how we teach Art.

"I liked swimming because we learnt new skills like swimming on our backs and how to stay afloat!" - Ayesha, Year 4

The whole school enjoyed an inflatable obstacle course for our first Smiley reward!



We took part in online safety assemblies by Google throughout the year.





Year 4 enjoyed History learning about Ancient Rome in Chester.

Year 4 worked with a mosaic artist to create Roman mosaics.







Year 1 learned about Victorian toys at Bolton Museum.



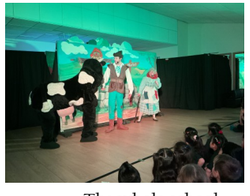
Reception performed their Christmas show — 'A Miracle in Town'.



KS1 performed their Christmas show — 'The Big Little Nativity'.



Year 5 took part in a lacrosse festival.



The whole school enjoyed a pantomime of 'Jack and the Beanstalk' for a smiley reward.



We raised £501 for Bolton Hospice with a non-uniform day.

This is just a very small selection of some the amazing learning and activities that have taken place over 2025-2026.
For a fuller overview and more photos and details, please visit our Whole School and Class blogs.

Scan the blue QR code to visit our Whole School blog with links to each individual class blog.

Awards 2025-2026

IQM Flagship School Award

360safe Online Safety Mark — Accredited Safer Online

Online Safety Certified School 2025-2026

Investors in People | Platinum

PSQM Primary Science Quality Mark — PSQM Gilt — Valid 2025 - 2028

School Games Platinum 2024/25 - 2025/26

Spring 2026



Year 5 took part in a drama workshop on the Golden Age of Islam in History.



"I have really enjoyed helping my teachers—I love helping!" - Kylo, Year 1

Year 3 enjoyed learning about Ancient Egypt at Bolton Museum.



Year 5 and 6 enjoyed Brazilian Dancing workshops.



Year 3 and 4 enjoyed a Glow Dodgeball festival.

Year 3 and 4 enjoyed Bollywood Dancing workshops.





Year 5 learned about healthy relationships in workshops run by Fortalice.

"My favourite part of the year was creating Islamic mosaics. An artist came into to help us and our mosaics are displayed in the KS2 workshop" - Ava, Year 5



Year 1 visited Blackpool Zoo to learn about animals in Science.

Reception visited Smithills Farm as part of their topic learning.





We enjoyed sharing books on World Book Day!

Years 2-6 took part in two week blocks of swimming lessons.

Our Family Learning Digital Skills course was very popular and successful with parents and carers.



Summer 2026



Year 4 enjoyed a Geography trip to Seven Acres to learn about rivers.

"I loved all of my learning this Year at Oxford Grove!!" - Anam, Year 2

Year 6 visited Sharples School to take part in a Design and Technology textiles workshop.





Lots of children won prizes in competitions across the year.



Foundation Stage families were invited to reading 'drop in' sessions.



Children in Year 3 and 4 enjoyed taking part in a Colour Run!



Reception learned how to ride balance bikes.





Years 1-6 enjoyed taking on the Climbing Wall for a smiley reward.

New Year 3

If your child is moving into Year 3 and you would like them to walk home on their own from September, please let the new class teacher know.

Children in the new Year 3 classes will still need to be collected by an adult for the rest of this term.

Contact Information

An important reminder that you must inform the School Office immediately if any of your contact information has changed. We must have the correct information so that we can contact you in an emergency.

This includes your:

- address
- mobile or landline phone number
- email address.

If the details of any of your child's emergency contacts has changed, please inform us of these changes immediately as well.

Online Safety

Scan the QR codes to see additional support.

What Parents & Educators Need to Know about KEEP CHILDREN SAFE ONLINE OVER SUMMER

What parents need to know about AGE RATINGS