

"WHAT'S UP AT BPS"



Greta Thunberg



Greta Thunberg is a 17-year-old girl from Sweden who is fighting for our planet. She has been travelling the globe since she was 15, to put a stop to global warming.

Her first protest against the government's lack of action was in August 2018 when she took time off every Friday during the Swedish summer to sit in front of the Swedish parliament house with a sign saying "Skolstrejk För Klimatet" Which is: "School Strike For Climate" in English.

On the third of December 2018, Greta Thunberg attended the UN Climate Change Conference. During the Conference she made a speech to the world leaders about Climate Change. She started with the line "Our house is on fire" and then went on to explain that we have 12 years before our changes are irreversible.

Probably her most recognisable speech was at the UN Climate Conference in 2019, where her main line was "How dare you". She even started the speech by saying "We are watching you" to emphasise her point that we need to change our ways.

Last year she made a video with George Monbiot, the British writer and Environmentalist, about what's happening to the Earth, and how we can fix it. This is the Link so you can watch the video yourself: [Rebrand.ly/Greta_Message](https://rebrand.ly/Greta_Message). In the video they explain how we can help to stop Climate Change.

Greta Thunberg is an amazing person who is doing such much to help our planet. She is travelling the Globe to attend Climate Change meetings, conferences, and large protests. She is so committed to stopping emissions that she refuses to travel by plane and instead travels in sailing boats. Greta Thunberg is an awe-inspiring person who is truly committed to her cause.

Joshua R

Riddle

Riddle: Re-arrange the letters, O O U S W
T D N E J R, to spell just one word. What
is it?

Video Game Review

Minecraft

Minecraft is a super fun game all about building and surviving. You can do all sorts of things, from taming wolves to get a dog, to building whatever your imagination can think up.

Minecraft has three different modes: Creative, where you have unlimited blocks and items, so you can build what you want, when you want. Survival, where you mine blocks to get blocks and survive. And Adventure, like survival except you have to mine the right blocks with the right tools.

I would definitely recommend Minecraft to everyone. It might not be free, but the money is worth it!

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Riddle Answer: Just One Word!

Interview With Mrs Bolger



Mrs Bolger has been at B.P.S for quite a long time so we thought it would be nice to interview her, and we got some incredible answers that we have written down below.

Mrs Bolger said that she likes to be outdoors doing Gardening, going on walks and going to sporting events especially cricket, athletics, Hockey and Softball is mainly because these were the sports Mrs Bolger had played. Mrs Bolger has also been known to do a bit of Zip Lining as well.

We asked Mrs Bolger what her favourite subject to teach is and she replied that it was maths because Mrs Bolger enjoys hearing the children's thinking and she gets to learn from it as well. Mrs Bolger said that Reading is a close for her second favourite subject and she also enjoys reading.

Since Mrs Bolger has been at this school for almost the longest out of any teacher, we were curious to find out what has changed the most. Mr Bolger has been teaching here since 1989 and says the thing that has changed the most is the use of technology. When Mrs Bolger started, they had one clunky computer that was run by a cassette, and now the teacher and students use chrome books and iPad's with classes. What a change!

Mrs Bolger's favourite thing about BPS is that the community is like a family. The teachers support each other, and they support the kids, and everyone is happy.

Another interesting thing we found out was that Mrs Bolger has a taste for foreign food. Her favourite is Mexican food (tacos, nachos, chilli con carne), with Indian food at a close second.

Charlie M & Spencer L

Why Do We Use Balloons?

Why do we celebrate special events with balloons? Because they're cheap, colourful, and people like watching things fly away. Balloons in their various forms were invented for use in military communications, scientific experiments, and transportation, but it wasn't long before people began to have fun with them.

Helium balloons

If you buy a balloon from a party shop, it's probably filled with helium. They use this gas because helium is lighter than normal air. Because helium is lighter, a helium balloon rises. Hydrogen is another gas lighter than air; it is even lighter than helium. The reason that they don't use Hydrogen is because it is a dangerous gas that is flammable and even explosive!

Price

The price of most helium balloons can vary from \$1.00 to 20c. But there are so many types!

- Helium balloons
 - Custom printed balloons
 - Latex balloons
 - Normal non-toxic balloons
 - Hydrogen balloons (mostly used in labs)
- And so many more!

How loud is the pop of a balloon?

168 decibels

The bursting balloon had the loudest sound, reaching 168 decibels. To make it simpler, a shotgun measures in, at 162 decibels. Some people even went as far as saying that the highest noise level was nearly as loud as a pistol.

Bethany W