



Dear Parents/Guardians

14 July 2020

We wish you all a happy and healthy summer break.

Staff Leaver

You may recall in our newsletter a couple of weeks ago, we made you aware of the staff that would be departing from Boldmere at the end of the academic year. At the time of writing we were aware of who was leaving, but since then an amazing opportunity has arisen for Mr Bruce Halfpenny, which will now also lead to his departure at the end of the academic year.

I am delighted to be able to inform you that Mr Halfpenny recently applied, and was successful, with his application to become a trainee secondary Modern Languages teacher. This has been a long term ambition for Mr Halfpenny and I am thrilled he is securing his future in the educational profession. Boldmeres' loss is certainly the gain of the secondary school where he will be placed.

Mr Halfpenny has been an amazing member of staff in this role at Busy Bodies and as the teacher of French at the junior school. He is an incredibly talented individual who will have much to offer the profession and I am sure you will join me in wishing him all the very best in his future career, which I am sure he will flourish in. Good luck Mr Halfpenny, you have been fantastic and you will be missed by us all. Bonne chance et au revoir!

September return for all pupils

We are currently finalising our plans to welcome all children back to school in September as per government guidance. These will be circulated tomorrow and will provide you with the necessary details of the arrangements now in place. Please ensure that you check your Parentmail account so that you receive these arrangements, which will also be shared on the Covid-19 section of the school website.

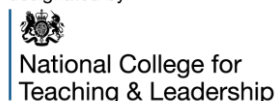
Urgent Information FAO Year 5 Parents/Carers – Secondary School Transfer September 2021

A letter from Birmingham City Council's School Admissions Service dated 10 July 2020 was sent out to all year 5 parents/carers last Friday regarding applying online for your child's secondary school place for September 2021. Please check your parentmail account to be sure that you have received this letter. You should apply on line at www.birmingham.gov.uk/schooladmissions between 1 September to 31 October 2020.

E-Safety

We are aware that during these unprecedented times there has been a huge reliability on the use of information technology when children are at home. When children are using such technology in the home, along with social media and gaming platforms that are also widely available, it is important for the children to keep safe whilst online in any capacity. With this

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in mind, we would like to draw your attention to all e-safety resources for children and parents on the school website, which we hope you will find useful if required.

Please continue to monitor/supervise your child's use of technology, as when these devices are used correctly and safely, they are amazing tools to be used.

Birmingham's #You've Been Missed Campaign

Birmingham's #you've been missed campaign is to support children and young people, parents and carers and professionals throughout the Covid pandemic. As part of the campaign, Lydia Stafford, a Mental Health Nurse working in the Forward Thinking Birmingham's early help team is leading 3 webinars to support parents. Please see the attached flyer for more details.

Annexe Design Competition

A reminder that we are going to change the mural on the side of the annexe and we need your help! Check your Parentmail for details recently sent out. The deadline for competition entries will be the 15th July (tomorrow).

Kingswood Residential Trip – September 2020 – (Year 6 September 2020)

We are still awaiting confirmation of details regarding the above residential trip and hope to be able to advise you via Parentmail later this week of the arrangements.

Report Collection

Any uncollected reports will be posted out at the end of this week.

Free School Meal Vouchers – End of Term/Summer Holiday - reminder

A reminder that the COVID Summer Food Fund (Government scheme covering FSM over 6 weeks holiday), will be sent out on 17/7/20.

All vouchers will be distributed via 'Edenred' on behalf of school. Due to the volume of vouchers going out across the country there may be a delay in the vouchers reaching you, so please be patient and a reminder to check your spam/junk email as vouchers may appear in those folders.

If you are having issues with using the Edenred system, you can contact them direct:

- **Phone - 0333 400 5932**
- **Email - freeschoolmealsparentscarers@edenred.com**

Sustrans Outside In

Please see the attached flyer for free resources to help you with fun ideas and inspiration to keep the children entertained and to bring education, health and wellbeing activities into your home during the summer holidays. You can access the resources by registering for a free parent newsletter and you will receive weekly indoor and outdoor activities designed for you.

Yours sincerely

Mr C Glasgow
Executive Head Teacher

Busy Bodies Information

We would like to wish all our Busy Bodies families a super holiday break and congratulations and good luck to our year 6s moving onto new pastures, you will be missed. We look forward to meeting our new reception in September and welcoming back our current families.

Re: September booking form and payments

Thank you all so much for your understanding regarding September and the uncertainty surrounding these times.

We will not be debiting any of your BB accounts for September booking fees at present and please do not pay any booking fee's for September until we give you further details when we return, September the 1st and dates can be finalised

Re: Registration forms, these need to be completed for new reception children only, unless any of your circumstances or contact details have changed.