

NEWSLETTER - 7th APRIL

Dear Parents

We hope that everyone is enjoying this lovely sunny weather and keeping themselves safe at home.

Today's newsletter marks the start of the official Easter holidays so we would like to wish everyone a Happy Easter and hope that the Easter Bunny still visits all of our fantastic Boldmere children!

We are very disappointed that we are unable to have our annual Easter bonnet parade at school but if anyone has decided to make an Easter bonnet or an Easter decoration please email us your pictures to enquiry@boldmere-inf.bham.sch.uk, we would love to see them.

Nursery Places

Nursery places have been offered for September 2020. Please note that the deadline to accept or decline the offer of place is Friday 1st May 2020. Email your reply to enquiry@boldmere-inf.bham.sch.uk attaching proof of address and reply slip. Please mark your email as NURSERY SEPTEMBER 2020.

Reception Places

Offers of Reception places for September 2020 are due to be sent out on Thursday 16th April. Please note that the deadline to accept the place is Thursday 30th April. Email your reply slip to enquiry@boldmere-inf.bham.sch.uk. Please mark your email as RECEPTION SEPTEMBER 2020.

Free School Meal Vouchers

Free School Meals vouchers for term time have been distributed by a company called "Edenred", on behalf of school (Government funded). All those eligible have been contacted by school prior to the vouchers being distributed. An email was sent to all eligible families on the 1st April. Please check your "spam" emails if you have not yet received your voucher codes. Free School Meal vouchers for the Easter holidays are to be provided by Birmingham Authority, via a company called 'Sodexo'. School will distribute these vouchers via Parentmail, to all those families eligible, as soon as they become available to us.

Bedtime Stories

Bedtime stories read by your teachers will be uploaded every night (Monday to Friday)! Parentmail links will be sent out each day, giving a code to access our private school YouTube channel. Log on each day to hear one of our teachers read a bedtime story!

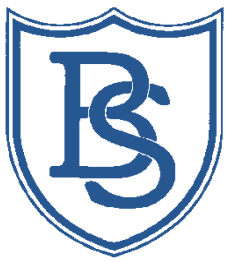
Home Learning

We have uploaded lots of information and home learning resources on our school website under the Home Learning tab. Please take a look, it will be updated regularly.

Online Safety

We are aware that during this time many children will be carrying out work online and may be using games and sites for leisure. To help you implement protective measures and help keep your children safe online we have some useful links listed below:

- **Thinkyouknow** - <https://www.thinkuknow.co.uk/> (advice from the National Crime Agency to stay safe online)
- **Internet matters** - <https://www.internetmatters.org/> (support for parents and carers to keep their children safe online)
- **Parent info** - <https://parentinfo.org/> (support for parents and carers to keep their children safe online)
- **LGfL** - <https://www.lgfl.net/online-safety/> (support for parents and carers to keep their children safe online)
- **Net-aware** - <https://www.net-aware.org.uk/> (support for parents and carers from the NSPCC)



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Our Place

In response to the current pandemic, Our Place Support have set up a **Covid-19 information service** to help individuals and families to the access support packages available from the Government and give information on **Benefit entitlements, Housing and Employment matters**.

We are aware that some individuals and families that have been affected either directly or indirectly by Covid-19 have not yet looked at the support available to them. We encourage anyone that anticipates they will need to access these support packages to do so now so that they don't find themselves in a situation with no income at all as a result of benefit applications/support schemes taking longer than usual to register for and be considered.



Covid-19 Information Service

Benefits • Employment • Housing

Monday to Friday 10am-12noon



07545 378 181
(To arrange a call back)



Covid19info@ourplacesupport.org



www.ourplacesupport.org/advice-service

Our Place Support



Living History

Help your child create a primary source of their own history.

In our History lessons at school, we often refer to journals and diaries written by people who have lived during particular important events, for example Samuel Pepys during The Great Fire of London.

The current situation, including unprecedented school closures will form part of History for the future. We would love children and their families to keep their own journal to record what lockdown is like for them.

It may be a series of photographs with labels or sentences, documenting activities they have done, it may be a daily diary entry or a video journal. It could be an independent project or something that the whole family could get involved in. We have also linked a resource available on the website.

The journals created during this time will be something very precious to look back on and you never know, children may be referring back to it in their History lesson in years to come!

Mrs S Kenny
Head of School
07.04.2020

Youth Sports Trust

A message from Youth Sports Trust...

"We have been working alongside partners, including Complete PE, to create a range of free resources which are all available on our website. These are grouped into four key sections: PE Home Learning, Active Breaks, 60 Second Challenges and Active Learning and are for teachers, parents and carers alike. We hope that you find the activities and resources useful when planning activities for your young people"

https://www.youthsporttrust.org/free-home-learning-resources-0?utm_campaign=11448506_Non%20member%20primary%20newsletter%20-%20%20April&utm_medium=email&utm_source=Youth%20Sport%20Trust&dm_i=1ZLF,6TDQ2,R4YM4,RA,MQF,1