

Dear Parents/Carers,

As the end of Ramadan has drawn to a close, we wish Eid Mubarak to all families that have been celebrating this weekend. Please feel free to share photographs/pictures of your celebrations. We always love to hear the children talk about their experiences and Mrs Rawson is eagerly anticipating lots of photographs for her display! Children will be bringing home a celebratory Eid chocolate at the end of the day (a sweet for those with allergens), thank you to our Muslim parents and children for the kind gift. Yesterday, John Hurley from Birmingham Hospice, came to pay us a special visit to talk about our exciting **Sponsored Bunny Hop!** He explained all about the charity and how important the fund raising activities are, helping to support poorly children and families in hospitals and providing research into illnesses. I am pleased to say that John also brought along our Bunny Ears, ready for our Sponsored event on **Thursday 10th April**.

A Just Giving page has been set up and we have received our first donation already! Please follow the link below to donate and get ready to hop into the Easter holidays next week!

Thank you in advance for your support with this worthy cause.

https://www.justgiving.com/page/sam-kenny-

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The generosity of Boldmere children and families has actually already been demonstrated this half term.

Thank you for the super donations for our **Shoebox appeal**! We joined forces with Junior school and have a lovely amount of provisions, all ready for Theodore and his mum to distribute to the homeless.



Diary Dates

Wednesday 2nd April - Parents Rep Meeting Friday 11th April - Break for Easter holidays Monday 28th April - School reopens to all pupils Monday 5th May - May Day Bank Holiday - closed to all pupils Tuesday 13th May - Year 2 Sports Festival @ Aston Villa Inner City Academy (am only) Monday 19th May - Reception trip to Ash End Farm Friday 23rd May - Professional Development Day. School closed to pupils Friday 23rd May - Break up for half term holidays Monday 2nd June - School re-opens to all pupils

Newsletter:

The weekly newsletter can also be found on the school website: <u>https://www.boldmere.bham.sch.</u> uk







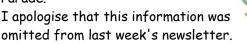
Bulls in the City Event



Another piece of exciting news to share is in relation to Birmingham Hospice and the Bulls in the City event being held this summer. We have liaised with our fabulous PTA, and they have kindly funded the purchase of one of the Bulls for Infant school. Once decorated, our Bull will form part of the trail around the City. Mrs Godfray arranged for the Bull to be delivered yesterday and we are all set to start decorating! Every child at school will provide a small piece of art work which will be added to the statue. We are aiming to create a collage of our Boldmere school community. Once completed, the Bull will be collected and then placed somewhere around the City for the summer 2025 Bulls in the City Trail. We are super excited to be part of the event and will update parents/carers with trail information once it is received.

Easter Bonnet Parade

On Friday 11th April, weather permitting, we will be holding our annual (and infamous) Easter Bonnet Parade.





A few people have approached me to confirm the event is taking place so I hope that news has already spread! Children may wear their Easter Bonnets to school on 11th April and we will have a short parade either around the playground/field, shortly after drop-off.

Children will need to be registered in class first and will then parade around the grounds, sharing their creations to rapturous applause!

A competition will be held for the best creations but please note that this is for children rather than parents! If adults wish to enter, they must seek permission from Mrs Kenny and must also parade with their child! Good luck everyone.

Medical Appointments

A reminder that if your child will be absent from school, arrive late or have to leave early **DOCTOR** due to a medical appointment we do need to see some evidence in the school office.



We will need to keep a copy of this to support your child's medical attendance mark on the registers. Thank you.

Antrobus Road Petition

At our school, we prioritise road safety for the school run, and we are pleased to share some recent progress. Over the past few months, Anja Pawson—one of our Governors and Vice-Chair of Friends of Boldmere Spinney—has been tirelessly advocating for a safer crossing on Antrobus Road. On Tuesday 25th March, Anja presented a petition on behalf of residents at the Town Council meeting. In her speech, she stated: "I believe we all agree that our children deserve to feel safe travelling to and from school. Together, we can ensure a safer future for all who use Antrobus Road, especially our youngest and most vulnerable pedestrians. I would like to thank



everyone who signed the petition and hope this will now start the process of finding a workable solution." Many of our pupils cross Antrobus Road on their way to and from school, and we are deeply appreciative of Anja's efforts to address this issue.

We wholeheartedly support the proposed safety improvements and look forward to seeing progress in creating a safer environment for our community.





Coffee Afternoon- Mental Health and Wellbeing Support

Join our coffee afternoon and find support for your family through our Senior Mental Health Lead - Mrs Mason (Infants) and Senior Learning Mentor- Mrs Deane (Juniors). The following support groups are attending;

- Birmingham's new Mental Health Support Team

- Barnardos Autism Team

-Early Help

-Compass Support and more!

It will be a 'no-judgment', space with an opportunity to signpost you to the support that may be needed.

When: Thursday 1st May Time: 1.45pm Where: Junior School Hall

If you wish to attend, please complete the form below. <u>https://forms.office.com/e/Xjn86HJ4uv</u>



Please see poster attached to this newsletter.

Parking around school

For reporting illegally parked vehicles, please follow the link.... https://www.birmingham.gov.uk/i nfo/20109/parking/1983/report _______an_illegally_parked_vehicle



Congratulations Board

Congratulations to these children who are on the Congratulations Board this week: Year 1: Lottie, Imogen & Leo Year 2: Dylan, Olivia & Lily

Attendance – updated processes

Our amended Attendance Processes have been circulated via Parent Mail, including request for absence forms.

Please can we remind all parents/carers that you need to call (01214642338) or email enquiry-inf@boldmere.bham.sch.uk before 9am in the morning if your child is going to be absent from school (illness or Religious Observance) or if they are going to be late for any reason. If we have not heard from you then a call will be made to you as part of our responsibility to safeguard children. Thank you.

Nursery September 2025 Intake

Offer letters were sent out on Friday 28th March 2025 via email. Acceptance slips and proof of address should reach the school by 9am on Friday 11th April 2025 at the latest.

If we do not hear from you by this date, we shall offer your place to the next family on our waiting list.

Reception September 2025 Offer Date

A reminder that offers of Reception places for September 2025 will be made by the Local authority by email on **Wednesday 16th April 2025**.





Letters will be sent home today with details of the Year 1 trip to the Dudley Zoo & Castle.

Please could you complete the consent form along with the meal preference form and return them to school. Payment must also be made via ParentPay by Friday 2nd May 2025.



Year 2 Trip – Black Country Museum

Letters will be sent home today with details of the Year 2 trip to the Black Country Museum. Please could you complete the consent form along with the meal preference form and return them to school. Payment must also be made via ParentPay by Friday 2nd May 2025.







BIB Newsletter Week beginning 1st April 2025

Stars of the Week

Ava in Giraffe class for using her language during our Maths session.

Zak- James in ED for excellent Math's work during the lessons.

Musab in LK for demonstrating fantastic problem solving skills in multiplication during Maths.

Learning

Giraffe class are continuing their focus on the story of Pete the Cat: I love my white shoes by Eric Litwin. Children have made Eid cards to celebrate Eid Mubarak this week.

In Literacy they are developing their fine motor skills, using different tools with Playdoh and practicing writing their names.

'S' and 'A' are the phonics focus this week.

In Maths, **LK** are consolidating all the skills taught this term. In English, they are focusing on Poetry. They are continuing to learn and focus on the celebrations of Eid- al-fitr and Easter.

ED are learning all about Easter. In Literacy they are continuing their work around The Hungry Caterpillar by Eric Carle. In Art they are creating butterflies and caterpillars with paint. In Maths, children are working on their individual targets in place value and number.

<u>Giraffe class trip.</u>

Children will have letters in their bags this evening regarding a trip next **Monday April 7**th. The slip regarding lunches is **required as soon as possible please**.

Email addresses for correspondence specific to your child's class/year group. <u>bib-contact@boldmere.bham.sch.uk</u> <u>nursery-contact@boldmere.bham.sch.uk</u> <u>yr1-contact@boldmere.bham.sch.uk</u> <u>yr2-contact@boldmere.bham.sch.uk</u>



School Emails

The two separate email addresses for Infants/Juniors are:



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enquiry-inf@boldmere.bham.sch.uk enquiry-jun@boldmere.bham.sch.uk

Mrs S Kenny Head of School 1/4/2025

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Our Vision: The Federation of Boldmere Schools empowers all children to embrace learning; achieve their personal best; and build their social, emotional and physical wellbeing.