



NEWSLETTER - April 3



Dear Parents/Carers,

Last week we had **double reason to celebrate** following two days of external visitors to the Infant school and BIB.

On Wednesday, we received a **TIAAS accreditation visit** and although we have yet to be given their report, we had some lovely feedback particularly around positive relationships that were evident throughout the day. The evidence is being presented to their panel in mid-May and then we hopefully know our award level!

Thursday saw us welcome a **Quality Assurance Team** to school, focusing on our SEN provision within the Boldmere Inclusion Base as well as mainstream. Again, they commented on the lovely feel in our school, the inclusivity and the positive relationships observed. We will share key points and outcomes from both visits as soon as received.

The **summer term diary dates** are attached in today's newsletter and we have a number of exciting events taking place.

The trip for **Reception** has been booked and confirmed.

The trips for **Year 1 and Year 2** have been provisionally booked and will be confirmed following all payments received by **9am on Tuesday 5th May**. Thanks for all parental contributions received to date.

Parent Reps have been consulted with this week with regards to further events that have been provisionally planned.

As a result of conversations, we have made the decision to offer additional activities this term which will include the following:

15th/16th June - Mobile Climbing Wall

17th/ 18th June -The Animal Man;

19th June Production of Alice in Wonderland.

All children at Infant school and the BIB will access these events.

Parental contribution is requested for both the climbing wall and animal man, and we have made a PTA request for the theatre production costs.

Further details will be sent in due course for the climbing wall and animal man but approximate costs will be **£5.50 and £3.50** respectively.

All of these lovely enrichment opportunities are only possible by generous donations from families and we thank you again for your continued support. Offering special activities gives rich and varied experiences for everyone at Boldmere, and is something that we are passionate about for our young children.

Congratulations Board

Congratulations to these children who are on the Congratulations Board this week:

Year 1: Samuel, Alice & Oliver

Year 2: Lewis, Flo & Rex



Diary Dates

Monday 4th May - May Day Bank Holiday - closed to all pupils

Thursday 7th May - School Council, Mini Market Day

Monday 18th May - Reception trip to Ash End Farm

Wednesday 20th May - PTA School Disco

Thursday 21st May - 1.30-3.00pm School Sports Day

Thursday 21st May - Break up for half term holidays

Friday 22nd May - Professional Development Day - closed to all pupils

Monday 1st June - School re-opens to all pupils

Wednesday 3rd June -Year 1 trip to Dudley Zoo

Wednesday 3rd June - Year 2 trip to Black Country Museum

Thursday 11th June - PTA Elfridges Fathers' Day

Thursday 11th June - Nursery Sports Day 10.30am & 2.30pm

Wednesday 17th & 18th June - Animal Man visit

Friday 19th June - Alice in Wonderland Performance

Thursday 25th June - Class photos

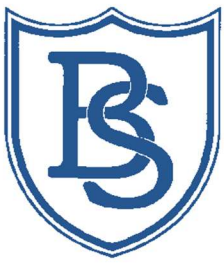
Friday 26th June - Nursery Induction - Closed to current Nursery children

Friday 3rd July - Reports to Parents

Friday 10th July - PTA Summer Fair

Thursday 16th July - Year 2 Leavers Party

Friday 17th July - Break up for Summer



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Boldmere Infants Mini Market

Our School Council are organising a 'Mini Market' which will be held during school time (a grown-up free shopping experience!!!) on Thursday 7th May.

We are looking for children to donate a toy and book so we can have toy and book stalls. If children could send these into school over the next couple of weeks so that School Council can begin arranging, we would really appreciate it.

Other stalls include friendship bracelets/ bands, bookmarks and cakes prepared during enrichment afternoons. On Thursday 7th May children will need a bag for life with their name on and £2.50. The £2.50 will give each child 5 tokens so they may choose an item from each stall. The cake stall will cater for allergies.

All money will then be used to update the outdoor equipment for children to play with at lunchtime.

Friendship Bracelets

A huge thank you to everyone who have made bracelets at home and donated for the mini market. We are grateful for any more!



Nursery Parents and Carers

The Parent Declaration forms for the Early Education Entitlement funding that you completed in September 2025 need to be rechecked and signed for the **Summer Term**.

Please can we ask all parents and carers to come to the school office by **Thursday 30th April 2026 at the latest**.

It will only take a few minutes to complete. Thank you.

Arbor Payments - Lunchtime Clubs

We will no longer be using **ParentPay** for payments as of the end of May and we

will be switching over to Arbor for our payments. Summer Term 2 lunchtime clubs will be available to book via Arbor on 1st May, please make sure you are logged into the Arbor App.

Any queries, please contact the Infant office.



Year 2 Trip - Black Country Museum

Letters will be sent home last week 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 **9am on Tuesday 5th May 2026**.



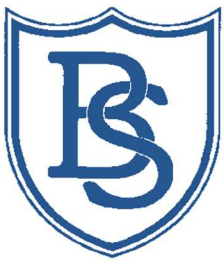
Year 1 Trip - Dudley Zoo & Castle

Letters will be sent home last week 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 **9am on Tuesday 5th May 2026**.





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BIB Newsletter Week beginning 27th April 2026

Giraffes

This week in Giraffe Class, we've been getting creative by making our very own garden orchestra! The children have enjoyed exploring different sounds using a range of musical instruments.

In Maths, we have been focusing on adding one, helping the children build their confidence with early number skills. In Literacy, we have been practising name writing, encouraging independence, recognition and letter formation.

We have also been carefully observing the sunflowers we planted two weeks ago. The children are excited to see how much they have grown and are learning all about how plants develop over time.

Puffins

This week in Puffins Class, we have been exploring animal patterns, looking closely at snakes and the unique markings they have. The children have enjoyed spotting, describing, and creating their own patterns.

In Maths, we have been focusing on place value, helping the children to understand numbers and how they are made up.

We have also continued to develop our gross motor skills through our outdoor provision, where the children have been climbing, balancing, and building their strength and coordination in a fun and active way.

Absences

An important reminder about absence requests and penalty notices for unauthorised absences.

The Education Legal Intervention Team have notified school that they have now begun to issue penalty notices (fines) for unauthorised absences.

Please note that fines are issued to **BOTH PARENTS** and **BOTH PARENTS** must pay the penalties.

Failure to pay the penalty notice, will result in the matter proceeding to court and could potentially lead to a criminal record.

Leave of Absence forms are available from the school office.

Medical Appointments

A reminder that if your child will be absent from school, arrive late or have to leave early 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.



School Catering

If you would like to contact Educaterers, our new school catering company regarding anything to do with school lunches, please contact them via

contactus@educaterers.co.uk

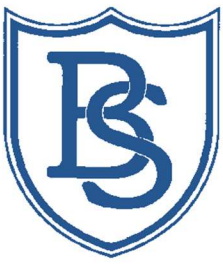
Just a reminder that allergy information **does not** transfer between accounts, so parents must re-add this information immediately.



School Uniform and Children's PE kits

Please can all parents ensure that all clothing (uniform and PE kit) is labelled with your child's name.

PE kits should also be in school **every day**.
Thank you.



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Busy Bodies News

Busy Bodies families.

Polite reminders

We would like to take this opportunity to remind parents and carers of our drop off procedure, please note that it is essential that children are dropped off at the Busy Bodies door. Children are not to walk up to the door by themselves as they are not in our care until handed over to a member of staff.

Arbor bookings

If you require any support with accessing Arbor, or you need support to have an understanding of your children's fees, kindly get in touch with the Busy Bodies manager. We are always happy to help.

May bookings

Please ensure that your sessions are booked for the month of May by this Friday 1st May, fees should be paid and account balance kept up to date if you are paying via childcare vouchers or the Tax- Free Childcare service.

Photos

In order to protect all our children, please note that parents and carers are not permitted to take photographs onsite when collecting your children. We appreciate all the support our wonderful families give at all time, and thank you in advance for your kind attentions to the above matters.

School Emails

The two separate email addresses
For Infants/Juniors are:



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

Email addresses for correspondence specific to your
child's class/year group.

nursery-contact@boldmere.bham.sch.uk
reception-contact@boldmere.bham.sch.uk
yr1-contact@boldmere.bham.sch.uk
yr2-contact@boldmere.bham.sch.uk



Inset Days

Inset days for 2026-27 are as follows:

Tuesday 1st September
Monday 2nd November
Monday 4th January
Monday 12th April
Friday 28th May

Newsletter:

The weekly newsletter can also be
found on the school website:

<https://www.boldmere.bham.sch.uk>



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Headteacher
28/04/2026



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