



# NEWSLETTER - APRIL 4

Dear Parents/Carers,

We have had a lovely start to this week- with lots to smile about! This morning, our violinists joined with their Junior school counterparts, and put on a super Violin concert. Reception and Year 1 children provided the audience, and enjoyed listening to pop tunes and Nursery rhymes and learnt a little about the instrument from Louis, the violin teacher. Thanks you to all children who were involved, look out for a tweet about the event on our school website later!

**NEU Strike Action Thursday 27<sup>th</sup> April and Tuesday 2<sup>nd</sup> May**  
A reminder that school will be closed to all classes except 1L, Owl class on Thursday 27<sup>th</sup> April and Tuesday 2<sup>nd</sup> May. All classes in the BIB will also remain open.

A reminder that if your child is eligible for income based free school meals (pupil premium), packed lunches can be ordered via school grid and collected from the school office at 11.30am. Any queries concerning this, please contact the main school office.

## Value For This Half Term: Cooperation

Our value for this half term is cooperation. Please see the attached values newsletter.

## The Coronation of King Charles

On Friday 5<sup>th</sup> May we will be celebrating the coronation of the King and would like children to take part in our "Cultural Dress" day. We are inviting children to dress as either King/Queen or wear clothes that celebrate their own particular culture. At the recent PTA Iftar event, it was lovely to see so many children dressed in their beautiful clothes sharing their prayers and evening meal. We would like to share such occasions with the whole school community, celebrating our cultural heritage and showing appreciation for our diverse community. We will be having our own Coronation picnic in the afternoon of May 5<sup>th</sup> and your child will be sent home with a picnic bag next week to decorate, and return with their picnic food. Nursery will be having a morning and afternoon picnic and Mr. Meakin will provide further information in his newsletter!

## Attendance Party

Congratulations to class 2B who have achieved the top attendance percentage during the Spring term. They will be joining Mrs. Kenny, Mr. Sadler and the Junior winners at our attendance party this afternoon! Bear class had the overall best attendance and even had two weeks where they hit the magical 100%. Well done everyone in Bear class.

## Diary Dates

**Monday 1<sup>st</sup> May** - May Day Bank holiday- School closed.  
**Monday 8<sup>th</sup> May** - King Charles III Coronation Bank Holiday - School closed.  
**Tuesday 9<sup>th</sup> May** - Reception trip to Ash End Farm.  
**Friday 12<sup>th</sup> May** - Reception classes Height & Weight Screening.  
**Monday 15<sup>th</sup> May**- Year Two trip to Black Country Living Museum.  
**Thursday 25<sup>th</sup> May-1.30pm**- Reception, Year One and Year Two Sports Day.  
**Friday 26<sup>th</sup> May** - Break up for half term holidays.  
**Monday 5<sup>th</sup> June**- School re-opens to all pupils.  
**Wednesday 12<sup>th</sup> July** - Celebration Evening 4.00pm-6.00pm.  
**Friday 21<sup>st</sup> July**- Break up for summer holidays.  
**Monday 24<sup>th</sup> July & Tuesday 25<sup>th</sup> July**- School closed for professional development days.  
**Monday 4<sup>th</sup> September & Tuesday 5<sup>th</sup> September** - School closed for professional development days.  
**Wednesday 6<sup>th</sup> September**- School re-opens to Year 1, Year 2 & BIB.  
**Friday 27<sup>th</sup> October**- Break up for half term holiday.  
**Monday 6<sup>th</sup> November**-School re-opens to all pupils.  
**Friday 22<sup>nd</sup> December**- Break up for Christmas holidays.



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## School Trips

Letters were sent home to Reception and Year Two children last week with information about the educational visits planned for Reception on Tuesday 9<sup>th</sup> May and Year Two on Monday 15<sup>th</sup> May. Please can you make sure you return the completed forms to the office and make your payments via Parentpay as soon as possible. Thank you for your co-operation.

## Reception Health Screening

The NHS will be measuring the height and weight of the Reception children on **Friday 12<sup>th</sup> May 2023** (parents are not required to attend). A letter will be sent home this week with your child explaining what will happen and what the information is used for. All children will be checked unless you have informed the school office that you **do not** wish your child to take part. Please let the office know via email [enquiry@boldmere.bham.sch.uk](mailto:enquiry@boldmere.bham.sch.uk) or telephone 0121 464 2338.

## Dolce School Catering

If you would like to contact Dolce our school catering company regarding anything to do with school lunches please contact them via [customercare@dolce.co.uk](mailto:customercare@dolce.co.uk)

## Nursery Parents and Carers-

The Parent Declaration forms for the Early Education Entitlement funding that you completed in September 2022 or January 2023 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 **Friday 5<sup>th</sup> May** at the latest. It will only take a few minutes to complete.

## Busy Bodies Job Vacancy

Our Busy Bodies before and after school club have a vacancy for a play leader/ play co-ordinator. The position details, expected hours of work and application details are available on the school website under 'Job Vacancies'. Closing date for applications is 12pm Tuesday 16<sup>th</sup> May 2023.

## Newsletter

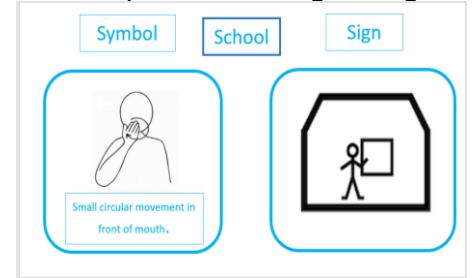
The weekly newsletter can also be found on the school website: <https://www.boldmere.bham.sch.uk>

## Ordering Lunches Via School Grid

Please can we remind parents that you need to order lunches for your child via School Grid.

## Makaton Sign Of The Week

The new Makaton sign for this week is 'School'. Look out for the video on twitter of Mrs McComish and Miss McCarthy demonstrating the sign.



## Celebrating Attendance

Congratulations to 1H-Seal class for achieving 97.67% attendance last week. Well done!

## Congratulations Board

**Reception-** Eliza, Finlay & Jovan.  
**Year One-** Keava, Samson & Simrun.  
**Year Two-** Erica, Sophie & Layla.



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## Boldmere Inclusion Base News From Mrs Preece:

### Celebrations

Parker in Giraffes for reading and blending sounds.  
Musab in LK for fantastic dictionary work in English.  
Taylor in ED for an excellent attitude to his work.

### Attendance for the week of 17th April 2023

Giraffes 95%

LK 88.57%

ED 93.53%

Well done to Giraffes!!!

### Notices

Thank you to Harper Rose's Dad for the cover for our sandpit. It is fabulous and just the job!!  
Letters will be coming out to those of you with children in Year 6 for their transition Annual reviews. Please check your child's bag for these. Those with annual reviews for this term will also be receiving letters shortly. Each will contain a reply slip and parent view form to be completed please. Any questions don't hesitate to ask.

## Busy Bodies

**May/ June booking forms-** Please be informed that both booking forms are now available for collection from a Busy Bodies member of staff, the junior school office or online at the Federation of Boldmere schools website.

**Help needed urgent requests-** As a not for profit club we are on the lookout for any parent helpers in the local community who would be able to assist us with the below?

**Electric cooker engineer-** We are looking for someone certified to look at electrical cookers. Our cooker needs to be checked by a qualified technician.

**Sandpit cover-** We are looking for anyone who would be willing to help us, our sandpit cover has weathered over the years and is in need of replacing.

**Cupboard doors-** If you work with a kitchen supplier, you may be of help? Our cupboard doors are in need of replacing and we are looking for anyone willing to come in and have a look at them.

Would you be able to help with any of the above? If so, please contact Kerema Hyatt on 0121 464 1343- or leave a message with the school office and I will be happy to get back in contact with you.

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

[bib-contact@boldmere.bham.sch.uk](mailto:bib-contact@boldmere.bham.sch.uk)

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## Dogs

Polite reminder that dogs/puppies are not allowed on the school site, whether they are walking or being carried. The ONLY exception are guide dogs.

Mrs S Kenny  
Head of School  
25/04/2023