



NEWSLETTER - APRIL 4

Dear Parents/Carers

Welcome Back

We have started the summer term with sunshine and lots of re-energised children and staff! It has been lovely to see smiling faces and I am always amazed at how much the children grow during the Easter holidays! We had an eventful final week last term, with Miss Clover's class winning the best attendance award and attending a special picnic with Junior school. We also welcomed year 2 parents into school for a SATs information presentation. It was super to be able to share information face to face, and we thank parents for attending. SATs will be taking place in school from May 9th and we would encourage parents not to take holidays during this time. Children are currently taking part in practice tests to ensure that the actual format of the tests are familiar to them. Please rest assured that staff always administer the tests in a supportive way and encourage children to show us how fantastic they are by doing their best but not worrying if something is too tricky for them. SATs are just one tool that teachers use to assess children's academic ability at the end of Key Stage 1. Outcomes of the SATs will be shared with parents in the end of year school reports.

Welcome!

We are pleased to welcome Miss Handy to our Boldmere teaching team. She will be teaching in Reception and Year One supporting teaching and learning throughout the summer term.

Parent Class Representatives

Thank you to all parents who put themselves forward to be a Parent class representative. We will be contacting all applicants this week, and will list the chosen parents along with a date for our first meeting in next week's newsletter,

Book Bags

We have invested over £23,000 this year in our new reading scheme - Big Cats. Unfortunately, some of these brand new books have been damaged as children are carrying their water bottles to school in their book bags and water is leaking onto the books. Please, please, please can water bottles be carried separately - we cannot afford to be replacing books at a minimum cost of over £4 each. When books get spoilt it reduces the number of books in a set and effects resources in reading lessons. We appreciate your support in this matter. Thank you.

Thank You.

We would like to say a big thank you to Rev Chris Dowd from Wylde Green URC for donating the Easter egg prizes for the Easter Bonnet winners. Thank you also to Cadburys who provided Easter eggs for all of the children in school.

Diary Dates.

Friday 29th April - Reception eye tests.
Monday 2nd May - Bank Holiday - School closed to all pupils.
Wednesday 11th May- Year One trip to Birmingham Think Tank.
Thursday 26th May- Pupils break up for half term holidays.
Friday 27th May- Professional Development Day - school closed to all pupils.
Monday 6th June- School re-opens to all pupils.
Wednesday 20th July- Pupils break up for summer holidays.
Thursday 21st July- Professional Development Day - school closed to all pupils.
Monday 5th September- Professional Development Day - school closed to all pupils.
Tuesday 6th September- Professional Development Day- school closed to all pupils.
Wednesday 7th September- School re-opens to Year 1, Year 2 & the BIB.
Friday 21st October- Break up for half term holidays.
Monday 31st October- School re-opens to all pupils.
Friday 16th December- Break up for Christmas holidays.
Tuesday 4th January 2023 - Professional Development Day- school closed to all pupils.
Wednesday 5th January 2023- School re-opens to all pupils.



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Value For This Half Term

We will be launching our value of 'appreciation' in our assembly next week. Please see the attached values newsletter for ways that you could support our value at home.

Easter Bonnet Winners

Wow! What a fabulous parade at the end of last term. It was so lovely to welcome parents and carers to come and see our amazing display of talent! Well done to the winners in each class - you were all fantastic!

Nursery - Buster, Aryella, Mikey and Aya
Reception - Laila, Ellison, Alice, Deen, Sam and Ava
Year 1 - George J, Gia, Jacob R, Ella R, Jaimie and Ella C
Year 2 - Abigail, Reuben, Leilou, Franklin, Isla and Oscar



Attendance Picnic

Congratulations to our winning class for the attendance award last term. Penguins class enjoyed a picnic and extra playtime on the equipment with the winning junior class, Mrs Kenny and Mr Sadler. Well done!



Newsletter:

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

Nursery September 2022

We still have a few Nursery places available. If you know of or have a child whose date of birth is between 01/09/18 and 31/08/19 who may be interested in a place, please contact the school office on 0121 464 2338 for further information.

Photography And Filming Policy Statement

Please be aware that this policy has now been updated and is available on the website.

Reception Eye Tests

Eye tests will take place on Friday 29th April in the infant hall. You only need to return the form if you want to opt out of the test.

Rugby Tots Lunchtime Club

Matt the Rugby Tots coach was poorly at the end of last term and could not take the last session before we broke up for Easter. He will be making up this session this Thursday. The new Summer term 1 Rugby tots club will start from next Thursday and will run over one week into Summer term 2.

Congratulations Board

Reception- Freddie, Samson & Joseph A.
Year One - James U, Kushal & Erica.
Year Two - Henry, James F & Esmee.

Busy Bodies

Welcome back to all our wonderful Busy Bodies families. We hope that you have had a lovely Easter break and looking forward to the summer term. May booking forms are available as of Monday 25th April on the school website, from a Busy Bodies member of staff or in the Junior School office area. Forms are due in by next Wednesday 4th May and fees by Friday 6th May. We have lots of exciting activities and games planned for the children during this term including an end of year celebration.

Celebrating Attendance

Congratulations to Penguin class for achieving 96.55 % attendance the week before the Easter holidays. Well done!

Book Bags/PE Bags

We have book bags and PE bags in stock in school. If you would like to purchase one for your child, please make the payment via Parentpay and your child will receive their new bag.

REMINDER -Ordering Lunches Via School Grid

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



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Boldmere Inclusion Base News From Mrs Preece:

Welcome back!

I do hope you all had a lovely Easter break and made the most of the sunshine.

We have a busy term ahead. ED will be going swimming in the second half of the Summer term. More details will follow. I hope that we will also be planning lots of other events that the children and parents can join in with too.

Thank you

Thank you to all of you that have sponsored your children for Autism Acceptance Week. We have raised approximately £1000!!! This will go towards supporting the children with Autism across the BIB and both schools.

Staffing

Mrs Reeves will be leaving us on May 6th to take up a new role. We will of course miss her but wish her the very best in her new adventures.

Celebrations

Giraffes- Jeevika trying hard in all aspects of school.

LK- Aleen for having lovely manners and trying hard in her work in class.

Reminder

Some parents in the BIB have needed to contact staff early this week about issues. Please remember that you can ring the BIB directly using option 5 on either Junior or Infant numbers. There is usually a staff member on site from 7.30 am -5.30 pm.

Teachers are in class after school on Mondays until 4.00, if you need to speak to them outside of the usual every day correspondence.

Cheeky Request

Are there any parents that:

- could fit a small piece of AstroTurf 6ft x 7ft for us
- would be able to make a bespoke cover or provide us with a sand pit covering for our large (355cm x 120 cm outdoor pit.
- are painters and decorators that would be available to paint our Sensory room for us.

Please contact Mrs Preece at the BIB.

Thank you in advance.

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

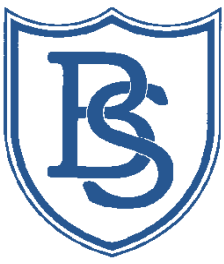
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PTA News

Comedy Night - Tickets available now

Boldmere PTA will be hosting a fantastic evening of stand-up comedy on **Saturday 7th May** (doors 7pm, show starts 8:30pm). Tickets are £10 in advance or £12 on the door - capacity is limited so buy your tickets early to avoid disappointment. There will be a selection of snacks, alcoholic and non-alcoholic drinks available on the night. You can also pre-order drinks when booking your tickets at www.pta-events.co.uk/boldmere Please see attached flyer for more details.

PTA Summer Ball - last few tables

Ticket sales for the PTA Ball close on 6th May and we have just three tables remaining! The event takes place on Friday 10th June at Aston Wood Golf Club from 7pm until 1am. Your ticket buys you a welcome drink, a 3-course meal, music from a high quality live band and the opportunity to let your hair down whilst raising money for the school! Don't delay in securing your tickets, available at www.pta-events.co.uk/boldmere You can also get in touch with the event organisers at boldmereptaball@outlook.com We look forward to seeing you on the dance floor!

Pre-loved School Uniform Shop - Now open!

We are pleased to announce that our Boldmere PTA pre-loved uniform shop is now open. Please visit our website www.pta-events.co.uk/boldmere where you will find the online shop. Many thanks again to everyone who sent in donations, if anyone else has more good quality, clean uniform to donate, please send us an email to boldmere.pta@gmail.com and we can make arrangements to receive your donations.

School Disco - Dates TBA

The PTA are very excited to be hosting a School Disco for the first time in 3 years! The discos will take place after school on Wednesday 25th and Thursday 26th May, however we are awaiting details of school trips before confirming which year groups' disco will be on which day. Tickets and more information will be available next week, so watch this space.

Mrs S Kenny
Head of School
26/04/2022