Boldmere Junior School

Weekly Newsletter

This month's value - Resilience

A message from Mr Sadler, Head of Junior School

Dear parents and carers,

Undoubtedly, one of the highlights for the children last week were the Jubilee parties held in school. As with other Jubilee parties, there was patriotism, music and party food...but we did it Boldmere style culminating in fantastic choreography to music ranging from the Survivor to the Isley Brothers to Martha and the Vandellas to Bill Haley and His Comets. It would be an injustice for me to attempt to describe the wonderful dances the children pulled off so instead, I'll direct you to our Twitter feed allowing you to see each in its glory with children absolutely loving the opportunity to showcase their work.

Another highlight worth sharing this week was seen in the sports field...or to be specific on the golf course! I have written about many sports in the last few weeks and this time it is the turn of our 'Tri' golfers who had a thoroughly enjoyable time out on the course and had some success to show for it too! Our Year 5 and 6 team finished a creditable 4th and our younger Year 3 and 4 golfers an impressive 2nd place! Well done to all involved!

Continuing on the sporting theme but switching clubs for racquets leads to a special mention for our 'ace' tennis players who competed in the Wilson Stuart tennis tournament. The children thoroughly enjoyed the opportunity to not only represent their school but to do so on real tennis courts! We are very proud of the opportunities we give our children at Boldmere and this is set to continue in the coming weeks.

A few short messages to round up this opening section of the school newsletter this week:

Sports day – Our junior school sports' days will take place on the afternoons of Thursday 30th June (Year 3 and 4) and Friday 1st July (Year 5 and 6). Forgive us for not making this clear but it is absolutely the case that parents and family members are invited to attend.

Staffing update – I am pleased to share that we have a new member of staff who has joined the team at Boldmere. Kirsty Deane has taken on the position of senior learning mentor and she is quickly becoming familiar with the children in the school. Kirsty will also regularly be out on the school gate at the end of each afternoon and along with other key staff, she will happily field any queries or concerns that you may have.

Parental conduct — It is the expectation that whilst in the immediate vicinity of the school, parents should at all times be mindful that their conduct should set the very best example to our impressionable young children. Whilst I appreciate fully that emotions can run high where our little ones are concerned, respect and kindness are two of our core values and these apply community wide. I will not elaborate any further at this point except to say we are all Boldmere and we all want the very best for all of our children. Thank you.

Values Ambassadors



6F Hallam

6FS Charlotte

6J Mary

5PJ Devesh

5B Sophie

5E Isaac

4M Harley

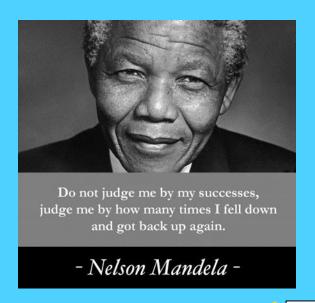
4W

4K James

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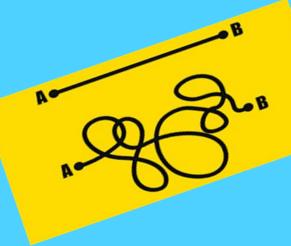
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Resilience

We have begun to explore our half term value of resilience in our assemblies. We have focussed on examples of resilience; what resilience is and what we think it looks like in our school.

We have asked for children to spend 2 minutes a day developing and practising the skills of resilience. We'd love for you to do this with your children at home as well. What you practise really does grow stronger! Thank you.



TAKE 2!

CHOOSE ONE OF THESE WAYS TO DEVELOP YOUR RESILIENCE THIS WEEK AND SPEND 2 MINUTES A DAY...

- 1. **CONNECT WITH OTHERS** BUILDING GOOD RELATIONSHIPS WITH OTHERS HELPS US TO FEEL STRONGER AND ASK FOR SUPPORT, ADVICE AND HELP WHEN WE NEED IT.
- 2. **NOTICE AND LEARN FROM YOUR MISTAKES**... (THIS MEANS BEING A LITTLE BRAVE AND MAKING MISTAKES!)— SOLVE A PROBLEM IN MATHS, PUT YOUR HAND UP AND ANSWER A QUESTION, ASK FOR HELP, TRY SOMETHING NEW IN PE.
- 3. **CELEBRATE YOUR HURDLES**... WRITE DOWN OR TELL SOMEONE ABOUT SOMETHING YOU OVERCAME. WHAT SKILLS AND QUALITIES DID YOU USE? WHAT WORKED?

School Attendance Tree



Huge thank you to Mrs Hynes who along with her husband Mark, has made this wonderful 'attendance tree' that is displayed in our school foyer. Weekly in assembly, the class with the best attendance will add a leaf to the tree and the class with the most leaves will be rewarded termly.

This week's best attenders (and leaf winners) were 5PJ with 98.89%.

Our current whole school attendance for the year to date is 95.4%.

Busy Bodies

June booking forms- We would like to take this opportunity to thank all our parents who have handed in their booking forms on time and have paid promptly. Unfortunately, this month we still had 41 booking forms outstanding as of Monday 13th June. Booking forms were due in by last Wednesday 8th June, with several reminders to inform parents about this.

We will now be reinstating our £2.50 admin fees for late booking forms as of this month. Please be aware that all booking forms received after the hand in date will incur an admin fee cost, this is non-negotiable as per your parent contract; please include this in your payment for your June booking sessions.

Reception/ new starters' places for September- If you are anyone you know would like to be registered for a Busy Bodies place for the new academic year September 2022- July 2023, please email khyatt@boldmere.bham.sch.uk for further details.

Current families' registration for the new academic year- If you are currently registered with Busy Bodies and would like to continue using this provision in the new academic year beginning this September, please ensure that your Registration fees are paid in line with your July fees. Further information to follow in the coming weeks and will be attached to your July booking form.

Busy Bodies Vacancies- We are looking to recruit for September two Play Workers/Co-ordinators to join our busy hardworking, friendly team of staff. For more information, please see the school vacancies section at the end of this newsletter.

Parent Representative group

You will recall that earlier this term, we sought parents to form a representative group to help shape and ensure positive and proactive communication and dialogue between school and parents. The parents listed below have committed to this role and are keen to work proactively in providing a parent voice to continue to improve our fantastic school. This group of parents will be receptive to feedback from yourselves on appropriate, school related matters or communication. The intention however is to add to rather than replace the current methods of communication and the school will retain its 'open-door' policy.

Name	Class	Ch's name
Tonita Whittier	6J	Myles
Jacqui Bull	5PJ	Elijah
Thaira Altaf	5PJ	Aisha
Kevin Vashi	4W	Kiara
Pamela Webb	5B + E	Riley+Lucas
Charlotte Clifford	3U	Finley + KS1
Assima Alam	6FS + 3P	Izaan + Uzair
Natalie Lloyd	6F	Sophie + KS1
Charlotte Higgs	5E	Lucas
Weixi Ke	3P + 5B	Kehan + Aurora
Iram Ali	3P	Maryiah

Celebration Assembly 08/06/22





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 Infants' School Office on 0121 464 2338 for further information.

LOST UNIFORM

We have a large amount of unmarked school uniform and coats currently in our lost property area, please remember that all uniform and coats should be labelled with your child's full name so they can be returned if they get lost.

BIB News

ED go swimming on Wednesday this week and will do so until the week before the end of the Summer Term.

The weather this week is looking sunny and hot. Please ensure that your child has a hat and sun cream so they stay safe when we our outside during breaks and PE.

There will be a few events coming up over the coming weeks. Children will be coming home with letters that share dates and arrangements. Please check your child's bags each night.

Celebrations

Jeevika in Giraffes for showing good understanding a new Maths concept in class.

Theo in LK for excellent spelling in class.

Kara in ED for good work in Maths this week.

Educational Visits Payments

Year 5 – Willersley Castle for October 2022 - First payments were due on 27th May, full payment is due by 1st July.

Year 5 – Cadbury World and Year 3 Sea Life Centre – payments are also due by 1st July All payments to be made on ParentPay at https://www.parentpay.com/

PTA NEWS

Fathers' Day Elfridges

The Elfridges shop will be opening its doors this Friday 17th June for children to select a gift for Fathers' Day. The gifts available are suitable for Fathers, Carers, Grandparents, Uncles etc. Tickets cost £2.50 each and are available to purchase now at www.pta-events.co.uk/boldmere

LAST CHANCE to buy tickets is this Wednesday 15th June at midday. Elfridges is strictly a pre-order only service and we are unable to take any bookings after the deadline.

Boldmere PTA Summer Fair

The Summer Fair is taking place on 8th July (please see attachment for more details.) This week we are asking for any of your cuddly toys that are looking for a new home. Please could you bring any unwanted soft toys your children won't miss to the PTA reps at morning drop off on Friday 17th – all donations will be used for the Summer Fair. PTA are also collecting any Bric-a-Brac items you may have, waiting to go to charity. Unfortunately, we can't accept clothes (except Boldmere School uniforms) only toys, books, boxed games, good condition household items. Anything that you would normally drop at a charity shop. If you have something you are willing to donate, please let your PTA rep know on your class WhatsApp group, or email boldmere.pta@gmail.com Someone will be in touch and come and collect from you, so you don't need to carry them into school. If you would like to volunteer at the Summer Fair - helping out on the day, helping on a stall, or tidy up afterwards, can you please let you class rep know with your permission that your contact details can be passed onto the Summer Fair organisers.

PTA Summer Ball Success

Wow what an amazing night Friday evening was at the PTA Summer Ball – it was lovely to see so many teachers and parents supporting the PTA and having a great night. We are delighted to announce that we raised over £3200! Special thanks to the following people for helping make the night so successful: Organisers Andy, Bronwyn, Sarah & Sophie, Compère Paul Myers, Emily Stamoulis, Steph Donovan and the superb band Apollo Gold. Not forgetting the many local traders on Boldmere High Street who donated some fantastic prizes. To all those who attended the evening and bid on the auction or bought raffle tickets, thank you all so much for your support!!

PTA Ice Cream Shop

The weather is looking good for this week - our team of volunteers hope to open the PTA Ice Cream shop on Thursday and Friday after school this week. Please try to pay with exact change if possible, or we also accept contactless payments. All proceeds go directly to the school.

Boldmere Big Summer Fundraiser

Up until May half term, our PTA had already raised over £14k this year and donated over £12k to school. School have now asked us to donate a further £10k towards new outdoor play equipment in the junior school playground installation proposed for the summer holidays this year.... We need your help to raise this whopping £10k contribution...

We are happy to report that we are now at the half-way mark thanks to Friday's successful Summer Ball and the School Discos.

Thank you for your ongoing support to assist in providing this fantastic equipment for our children to benefit from for years to come. We will continue to keep you updated on our progress!





BUSY BODIES BEFORE AND AFTER SCHOOL CLUB REQUIRES TWO PART-TIME PLAY WORKERS OR PLAY CO-ORDINATOR FOR SEPTEMBER 2022.

Two Play Workers/Co-ordinators are required to join our extremely hard working and friendly team.

If you have a passion for working with children and would like to join a lovely team of staff

who are supportive then we would love to hear from you.

Position one

An enthusiastic and very sporty Play Worker is required (7:45am to 9:00 am and 3.00pm to 6.00pm). You will be employed to work five mornings and five evenings a week.

Position two

Part time Play Worker for five afternoons 3:00pm to 5:30pm (with the occasional 6:00pm) with the possibility of morning work according to numbers attending.

Timetables will be discussed with you at the interview.

You must be over 18 years old and have previous experience of working with children or be able to show the ability to positively engage with staff and children within a play environment.

For more information and a Job Description/ Specification, please call into Busy Bodies or telephone 0121 464 1343 and ask to speak with Miss Hyatt or Mrs Rollason in the first instance.

Applications must be returned by Thursday 30th June. Interviews will be held on Friday 8th July.

We look forward to receiving your applications

Diary Dates - Remainder of 2022

Wednesday 29th June (matinee) & Thursday 30th June (evening)

Y6 leavers' performance

Thursday 30th June (Y3/4) and Friday 1st July (Y5/6)

Junior school sports' afternoons

Wednesday 6th July

Whole school transition day (and secondary transfer day)

Friday 8th July

Early closure – 2.30pm for all

Tuesday 12th July

Parents' celebration open evening

Wednesday 13th July

Open evening for the new Year 3 parents

Wednesday 20th July

Children break up for the summer holidays

Wednesday 7th September

Children begin the new school year

Friday 21st October

Children break-up for October half-term

Monday 31st October

Children return to school

Friday 16th December

Children break up for the Christmas holidays