

Boldmere Junior School

Weekly Newsletter

A message from Mr Sadler, Head of Junior School

I will start this week's round up by thanking those parents and carers who attended the Ofsted information meeting held last Thursday evening in school. As promised, the slides shared during the evening have now been uploaded to the school website, accessed via the following

link...<https://boldmere.bham.sch.uk/news/2023-01-16-ofsted-information-briefing-jan-2023>

In addition, another document that parents and carers might find interesting; an evaluation of the school's current strengths, along with areas identified as priorities for improvement; is shared as an attachment to this newsletter.

A few special mentions now, the first of which is to give a shout out to our talented Year 4 athletes that represented our school so well last week. Our recent success in school sports competitions continued with the girls finishing in first place and the boys in second, with their achievement celebrated in our assembly on Monday morning this week. Well done to all involved and thank you to Mr Uppal and Mrs Shakespeare for taking the children to the event, along with the parents for their encouragement and support.

I would also like to give a special mention to Lilian in Year 5 who you may recall achieved an amazing feat recently in managing to raise a significant amount of money in support of her cousin but through a reading challenge whereby she managed to read her own height in books. As that achievement was shared more broadly, it transpired that Lilian had actually become a world record holder in the process! Last Friday, Lilian was presented the award by the Mayor of Sutton Coldfield and former UK discuss thrower Kevin Brown, along with our friends from the Community Games, including their mascot Buddy! Well done Lilian, all at Boldmere are incredibly proud of you!



Final bit of news from me currently. I am sure by the time of reading this, parents and carers will be aware of the news circulating that some teachers have voted to take industrial action as part of an on-going dispute over pay and educational funding more broadly. As soon as I am able, I will communicate to parents the implications of this action, giving as much notice as possible regarding any alternative arrangements that may be necessary. Ahead of then, I would urge parents not to speculate on what the implications of this action is likely to be. As ever, we thank you for your continued support.

Parking near to School

Due to recent complaints from local residents could all families please remember that when dropping off and collecting children cars should always be parked respectfully, not blocking residents' driveways, or parking in their designated disabled spaces.

Families must also not park on the yellow zig zags outside of the school gates.

Medication required during the school day

If your child needs to take any medication during the school day this MUST be given by a parent or responsible adult to the School Office and complete a consent form for the medication to be administered by school staff.

Any prescribed medication must be in the original packaging which has a chemist label with your child's name on it.

Non-prescribed medication such as Calpol, cough medicine, Strepsils and eye drops should also be in the original container or box and can be given once a consent form has been completed.

Please do not send any medication with your child or in their bags.

Last Reminder - Year 5 & Year 6 Maths Workshops

Please remember that the workshops will take place from 9.15am to 10.45am on:

Year 6- Thursday 19th Jan

Year 5- Tuesday 24th Jan

Please indicate who will be attending using this following Google Form so we can get an idea of numbers <https://forms.gle/35i3JeYenpWLJw9A> maximum 2 adults per child.

Young Voices – 25th January 2023

Please make coach payments urgently if you have not already done this. No further orders for tickets or t-shirts can be taken.

Year 4 Whitemoor Lakes Residential Visit from 15th – 17th February 2023

Please ensure final payments have been made as the deadline was 31st December 2022.

Year 6 Leavers' Hoodies

The deadline for ordering hoodies is Friday 3rd February. Please place any orders by this date via the link below:

<http://www.sportologyonline.com/collections/boldmere-school>

Celebration Assembly w/c 17/01/23

Congratulations to our Values Ambassadors and House point winners:

3U	Leilou
3P	Leo
3M	Saffron
4RW	Sam
4Q	Rosie
4H	Bailey

5W	Sophie
5CS	Alana
5B	Harry
6F	Maisey
6J	Matej
6PJ	Isla

Tweet of the Week



Federation of Boldmere Schools
@BoldmereSchools

LK enjoyed their PE lesson. This afternoon, they went outside to try some manipulation challenges, using different sized balls, plus fun activities Well done, Mrs Kinsella was impressed.
[@WBAFoundation](#)

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Attendance

Last week's attendance for the school was 97.10%. Our target each week is 97%
The classes with the best attendance and gaining the attendance leaf for our tree were 6F & 3M.

This terms' standings for attendance are as follows:

Week	Class
Week 1	6J and 3M
Week 2	6F and 3M
Week 3	
Week 4	
Week 5	
Week 6	
Week 7	
Week 8	
Week 9	
Week 10	
Week 11	
Week 12	

BUSY BODIES



Chinese New Year- Year of the Rabbit

We are very excited to be celebrating the upcoming Chinese New Year, which is on Sunday 22nd January 2023. This week, the Busy Bodies children will take part in various activities to be able to fully appreciate the year of the Rabbit. This will include making lanterns, rabbit mosaics, dragon rice painting and tasting some Chinese inspired food of course.

January fees

Currently there are a few payments still remaining outstanding for January payments, kindly check your child's ParentPay account to ensure that your fees are up to date. The Busy Bodies Manager will be sending out a ParentPay reminder by the end of this week to all parents/carers outstanding fees for this month, polite reminder that fees are due in advance of care being provided.

February booking forms

Booking forms will be available from Monday 23rd January, please access a copy from the junior school office, via a Busy Bodies member of staff or online via the Federation of Boldmere Schools website.

Parent request- Yoga teacher

We would love to find out if any of our parents/carers would be able to provide a Yoga/Pilates session for our Busy Bodies staff. If you are aware of anyone who may have the skills and availability to deliver a session or two we would love to hear from you. Please contact Kerema Hyatt via telephone: 0121 464 1343 or via email: khyatt@boldmere.bham.sch.uk

School Football Teams

I delighted to announce that both our boys' and girls' football teams have been selected to represent Sutton Coldfield in this year's Birmingham HMS tournaments. More details will be sent out regarding this over the coming weeks.

As well as this, our girls' football team will be competing in the West Midlands Under 11 Inter School 7-a-side County finals tomorrow.

We are really proud of their achievements to be nominated to participate in these events and wish them the best of luck!

Mr Uppal

Boldmere Inclusion Base (BIB) News

LK- **Habiba** for having an excellent week back in the school routine and participating in transition.
KM-**Enya** for trying incredibly hard with her Maths work.

Letters

Thank you to those of you who have sent in the Parent Coffee Morning slips and survey responses in so far. Please send in any remaining ones by Wednesday 18th or bring with you to the coffee morning. Annual Review letters are being sent to those of you with meetings coming up this term. Please send in the reply slip and parent views prior to the meeting.

Parents Evening information will also be sent out shortly. The BIB will be holding face to face appointments on Wednesday 15th February.

Coffee Morning

I am looking forward to seeing most of you at the coffee morning. It will be held in the Training room. Please can you sign in at your child's respective schools –LK and KM in Juniors and Giraffes in Infants. Someone will bring you to the Training room or you will be collected from the Reception areas.

Notices

Please can you send in a carrier bag with your child on Wednesday. We will be sending home old work books that we no longer need to keep in school.

If your child brings a lunch from home that contains a yoghurt or jelly, please can you provide a spoon.



At Tintagel Tutoring our brand new **art classes for primary school children** have been so popular we have decided to run an additional class. This class will be on **Wednesdays at 16:00 – 17:00** starting on Wednesday 25th January 2023.

You can bring a copy of this newsletter as a voucher for **the first lesson free!** We would love your child to join us. Booking is essential as there are limited spaces available - please contact us to book your child's space.

This class will run every Wednesday from 16:00 – 17:00 and cost £40 for a block of 6 classes. All resources and equipment will be provided for your child to use during the lesson.

Find out more at:

<http://www.tintageltutoring.co.uk>

To book contact us through our website or call/message us on 07967 629738

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Kickstart holiday camp

Kick start academy will again run a holiday club during the February half-term break. The link below will take you to the booking information and further details offered by the club.

<https://www.theksagroup.co.uk/venues#WestBromwich> (scroll down to Boldmere)

Parents should note that Kickstart offer a reduced rate for bookings/payment made by 10th February.

Diary Dates – School Term Dates 2022-2023

Wednesday 25th January

Young Voices Performance at Resorts World Arena starts at 7.00pm

Wednesday 15th February – Friday 17th February

Year 4 Whitemoor Lakes Residential

Friday 17th February

Children break-up for February half-term

Monday 27th February

Children return to school

Friday 31st March

Children break-up for Easter

Monday 17th April

Children return to school

Monday 1st May

May Day Bank Holiday – School closed

Monday 8th May

King Charles III Coronation Bank Holiday – School closed

Tuesday 9th – Friday 12th May

Year 6 SATs test week (further detail to follow for children and parents in Year 6)

Friday 26th May

Children break-up for half-term

Monday 5th June

Children return to school

Friday 21st July

Children break-up for summer holidays

Monday 24th and Tuesday 25th July

INSET days – school closed to children

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