

Boldmere Junior School

Weekly Newsletter

This month's value - Resilience

A message from Mr Sadler, Head of Junior School

Dear parents and carers,

Forgive the repetitive nature of my updates at the moment but this has been another incredibly busy week in school with sport yet again taking centre stage. On a glorious afternoon at Sutton Coldfield athletics club last Wednesday, it was our athletes who took centre stage in the Sutton Coldfield Area Sports event. Amongst the throwing, jumping and sprinting, the athletes from Boldmere did us proud, finishing a commendable 3rd overall in the combined event, fairing slightly better as runners up in the Track event. As ever, we are incredibly proud of the manner in which they represented the school, not just through their performances but also through the respect and friendship shown towards children from other schools. A different event but similar pride was also felt yesterday, this time towards our Year 5 & 6 netballers who took part in a Common Wealth celebration netball event at King Edwards, Aston yesterday. It was an absolute pleasure spending the day with the children, witnessing their competitive streak, humility towards their peers and also their sense of fun! A huge thank you to all staff involved enabling the children to have these fantastic opportunities: it is appreciated greatly!

In other news this week, I would just like to draw your attention to a parent survey we are currently exploring regarding the possibility of a children's holiday club being based at Boldmere in the future (but categorically, not for this summer holiday). The survey was shared by Parent Mail yesterday with responses sought by Friday 24th June. Thank you to the many parents that have already responded – 186 I am reliably informed so far!

A reminder - 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). Parents and family members attending the event will be welcome to do so from 1.30pm, with a scheduled start at 1.45pm. The events will finish at approximately 3.10pm with children then returning briefly to their classrooms before being dismissed in the usual way. Parents attending the event should enter and leave the school premises via the middle gates in between the two schools. Staff will be on hand to assist.

Parking: There has been a noticeable increase with regard to inconsiderate parking around the school premises at drop off and collection time that is ultimately jeopardising the safety of the children. Parents/carers are reminded that it is an offence to park on the yellow zig-zag lines immediately in-front of the school and doing so could incur a penalty notice. In the absence of the parking enforcement team, the school leadership may opt to submit photographs of offending vehicles to the council to support the enforcement of this code.

Football/Pokémon cards: It pains me to do this but as of today, I will be temporarily restricting children from bringing and using these cards in school as a consequence for a number of issues and complaints associated with their use, including disagreements spilling into the classroom and even reports of theft. I accept the draconian nature of this restriction but it is felt that a short sharp message is required to support the children in ensuring that when the cards are allowed to return, likely before the end of this academic year, the manner in which they are played with is better understood.

Values Ambassadors



6F Zac

6FS Amelie

6J Charlie

5PJ Katie

5B Belle

5E Akeem

4M Harley

4W Kassidy

4K Mia

3H Logan

3U George

3P Anastasiia

Busy Bodies

July and September booking forms are available for collection from a Busy Bodies member of staff, the junior school office and on line at the Federation of Boldmere School's website.

Please return your July booking form by Wednesday 29th June and fees in by Friday 1st July. You may also return your September form at the same time should you be aware of your requirements.

September booking forms should be returned by Wednesday 15th July, so that we can have our registers ready for when we return to school in the new academic year. Fees must be paid by 31st August to ensure that your payments are made ahead of care being provided.

REGISTRATION FEES PAYMENTS- Should you require your child/ren to continue to attend Busy Bodies in the new academic year 2022-23, you will be required to pay for your annual registration fee by Friday 1st July along with your July fees to secure your place. Should we not receive your registration fees payment by this date we will assume that you no longer require a place and will offer this to our new reception children starting September. You can always re-register your children and be placed on our waiting list again.

FOR OUR NEW RECEPTION CHILDREN 2022- Please be reminded that you will not be expected to make your September or Registration fees payment until September. Once you have been given your ParentPay login and your child/ren can be assigned to the Busy Bodies payment items we will contact you about your fees payment to finalise and updated our records.

BUSY BODIES OPEN EVENING- On Tuesday 12th and Wednesday 13th July we will be having our Reception children open evenings at Busy Bodies. We have decided to open this up to our current families who may have missed this opportunity during the Covid-19 period. Should you wish to visit our club to have a look around and ask vital questions, please phone the Busy Bodies desk on 0121 464 1343 and ask to speak with one of our management team, alternatively you can email Kerema on khyatt@boldmere.bham.sch.uk whom will be happy to book you a place.

We must inform you that this is for booked sessions only and not a drop in session. We will need to be aware of numbers attending so that we can staff appropriately. Thank you in advance for your attention to this matter.

BIB News

Congratulations:

Jayden in Giraffes for independent handwriting.

Aleen in LK for being brave and climbing the climbing wall.

Jake in ED for joining in with activities and lessons in the BIB.

Makaton: from September we will be introducing Makaton in the BIB . Look out on Twitter and in the newsletters for signs of the week to practice at home.

Reminders

Lots of reminders this week!

Warm days -The weather is likely to be warm and sunny over the next few days. Please do apply sun cream to your children before coming to school and bring a hat. Staff are happy to top up the cream as needed.

Library trip- letters have gone out with the details of your classes trip day. Any questions please speak to your child's Teacher.

Early pick up times- letters went home last week with the details of several days where school and the BIB are closing early. If you did not receive one of these please speak to your child's Teacher.

Coffee Afternoon- Thank you to all of you who have already returned your slips to say if you will be attending. We are looking forward to seeing you again. If you did not receive a letter and need another letter please do come and see me.

Celebration Assembly 16/06/22



Tweet of the week



Federation of Boldmere Schools
@BoldmereSchools

Well done to our amazing Area Sports Athletics team who were fantastic today! We came 3rd overall 🏆 with our track team finishing 2nd overall 🏆. A huge thank you to all who competed and all parents/carers for your support too! Well done Team Boldmere! 🏃🏃🏃



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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.

FORGOTTEN ITEMS

Please ensure your child brings everything they may need with them when they arrive for school to avoid disruption. Items such as sun hats, water bottles, musical instruments, sports kits and lunches/snacks are being regularly forgotten.

Attendance

Last week's attendance for the school was 96.6%. Our target each week is 97%.

The class with the best attendance and gaining their attendance leaf for our tree was 6J.

This terms standings for attendance are as follows:

Week	Class
14 th June	6J
7 th June	5PJ
25 th May	5PJ
17 th May	4M and 5E
12 th May	6J
4 th May	6F

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

Boldmere PTA Summer Fair

The Summer Fair is taking place on 8th July (please see attachment for more details.) PTA are 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 collect the items from you, so you don't need to carry them into school.

WE NEED VOLUNTEERS for the Summer Fair – either helping set up in the morning or afternoon, helping on a stall for an hour, or helping tidy up afterwards, can you please let your PTA rep know with your permission that your contact details can be passed onto the Summer Fair organisers. Thank you.

Watch this space – As part of our Summer Fair this year, with your help, we are going to hold an “All the Colours Auction”. Each school year will be assigned a colour – we will be asking for colourful donations. More information on this will be shared soon.

PTA Ice Cream Shop

This week our team of volunteers hope to open the PTA Ice Cream shop on Wednesday and Thursday after school. If the weather allows, we shall also be selling soft drinks and ice lollies to spectators of the Infants' Sports Day on Friday 24th. The children taking part will have an opportunity to purchase something once the Sports Day is finished. 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 money raised by Fathers' Day Elfridges and Ice Cream sales has now pushed our running total up to £5,800.

If you wish to make a one-off donation towards the Junior School play equipment, please look out for the QR codes on posters around the school (poster attached for your information).

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!

#BoldmerePTA

Big Summer Fundraiser

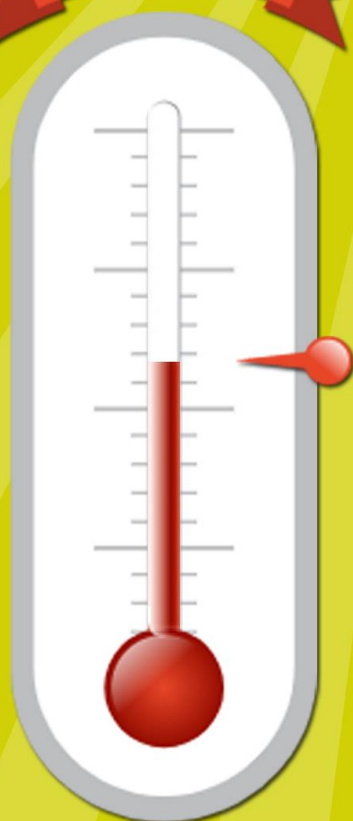
#BBSF

SCHOOL HAVE ASKED THE PTA TO
DONATE £10,000
TOWARDS REPLACEMENT
JUNIOR PLAYGROUND EQUIPMENT

ALL PTA ACTIVITIES AND EVENTS THIS SUMMER
TERM WILL COUNT TOWARDS THIS GOAL

£5800

Over £800 has been
raised so far from Ice
Cream Sales and the
Fathers Day Elfridges



JOB VACANCIES



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 - arrive from 1.30pm ends at 3.20pm

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