

Boldmere Junior School

Weekly Newsletter

This month's value - Honesty

A message from Mr Sadler, Head of Junior School

Dear parents and carers,

As we are all aware, the Queen is celebrating her Platinum Jubilee this year and in school, there will be a number of activities that the children will be taking part in to mark the occasion. A reminder that this Thursday will be a 'red, white and blue' themed non-uniform day, and for many of our children, a school disco to follow. Additionally, after the break children will begin the final half-term of the academic year with a Jubilee themed week of music, dance and art that will see them study a particular decade of the Queen's tenure. The week will also see the children enjoy a tea party within their classes, in preparation for which children will be asked to decorate bunting as a half-term holiday project of sorts.

Year four multiplication check: As many parents will know already, our year four children will soon be tested on their recall of multiplication facts, part of the national multiplication screen that aims to assess the number of year four children who have a secure understanding of multiplication facts up to 12 x 12. For the children at Boldmere, these tests will be undertaken during the week beginning 13th June. There is a degree of flexibility in the administration of these tests meaning that children's short-term absence will not affect their opportunity to complete the tests. Parents wishing to find out more information about these assessments are encouraged to visit the year four curriculum section of our website found at the following link <https://www.boldmere.bham.sch.uk/curriculum/ks2-year-groups/year-4-curriculum-offer-2021-22>

Finally from me this week, I take pleasure in sharing with you a child who truly inspired me when I heard of a challenge that she had taken on. Lilian in year four, who is also one of our reading ambassadors, has set herself the challenge of reading her own height in books by the end of the academic year and in doing so, raise money for an incredibly worthy cause. Lilian's 11year old cousin Ollie has mobility affecting cerebral palsy and Lilian is seeking to raise money to help fund a new power chair enabling him to access much more in the way of outdoor activities with his friends and family. Anyone wishing to sponsor Lilian is welcome to do so via the following page <https://www.justgiving.com/fundraising/lilians-height-in-books>. I will be discussing Lilian's efforts with Mrs Mutch and our other reading ambassadors to determine if this is not something the whole school can be offered the opportunity to be involved with...watch this space!

Values Ambassadors



6F Grace

6FS Florence

6J Zareen

5PJ Sophie

5B Chloe

5E Cameron

4M Tyler

4W Maya

4K Lucy

3H Benyamin

3U Dylan

3P Sophia

IMPORTANT – PUPIL DATA COLLECTION FORMS

Please be aware that we will be sending home populated pupil data forms over the next few weeks for you to review and update the emergency contact details that we keep in school.

Could you please ensure that the forms are checked, amended and returned to school as quickly as possible so we can update our records in case we need to contact you.

Busy Bodies

We would like to take this opportunity to wish all our amazing families a lovely sunny and restful half term.

June booking forms are now available for collection from a Busy Bodies member of staff, the junior school office area and downloadable from the schools website. Please ensure that your booking forms are returned no later than Wednesday 8th June (the week that we return after your lovely Whitsun holiday).

School discos- As stated in last week's newsletter, we will be escorting our Reception children back to their school disco at 4pm and collecting those returning to Busy Bodies at 5pm, where we will also be escorting years one and two to their disco at 5:15pm (Please be aware that parents must collect years 1 & 2 from the infant school at 6:15pm.)

Juniors disco- Thursday 26th May- Years 3 & 4 will sent off to their disco at 3:45pm until 4:45pm (if they are booked into Busy Bodies after this time they will return to our setting). Years 5 & 6 will be sent off at 5pm parents are expected to collect their children form the junior school reception at 6pm when the disco finishes.

BIB news

I hope you are all looking forward to the half term break.

Before then we will be holding our Jubilee picnic on Thursday and looking forward to seeing all the decorated sandwich bags. We will share our picnic with all the children outside weather permitting. Children can come dressed in red, white and blue if they wish too.

Congratulations

Parker in Giraffes for super effort in phonics activities.

James in LK also for fantastic effort in phonics.

Hayden in ED for fantastic work and effort in English.

Please remember the children break up on Thursday 26th May.

Diary Dates

Thurs 26th May Children break up for May half-term & Junior PTA Disco

Fri 27th May School closed for pupils (staff training day)

Mon 6th June Children return to school

Tues 7th June Sports Team Photographs

Thurs 9th June Class Group and Year 6 Leaver Photographs

Thurs 30th June (Y3/4) and Fri 1st July (Y5/6) - Junior School sports' afternoons

Weds 6th July Whole school transition day (and secondary transfer day)

Weds 20th July - Children break up for the summer holidays

Wed 7th September - Children begin the new school year

Celebration Assembly 19/05/22



Tweet of the week!



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@BoldmereSchools

WARNING - please be careful if you are in the school vicinity today. A "green, metallic Iron Boy" has been spotted around the Junior School. We have attached CCTV footage. Fortunately, Y3 are investigating and will report what we have found in a newspaper report next week! 📰



COMMUNICATION AND AUTISM TEAM (CAT) WEBINARS IN JUNE

Please find attached the flyers and links for the Supporting Transition into Secondary School sessions for parents, taking place on 7th and 9th June:

Tuesday 7th June at 6pm – 8pm

<https://accesoeducation.birmingham.gov.uk/product/supporting-transition-into-secondary-school-a-session-for-y6-parents-evening/>

Thursday 9th June 12.30pm – 2.30pm

<https://accesoeducation.birmingham.gov.uk/product/supporting-transition-into-secondary-school-a-session-for-y6-parents-afternoon/>

PTA - JUNIORS NEWSLETTER

PTA Junior School Disco – Thursday 26th May

Last chance to purchase tickets - sales end today (Tuesday 24th) at 6pm

Session 1: 3:30pm-4:30pm – Year 3 and Year 4

You do not need to collect your child from school – they will be escorted safely from their classroom to the disco by teachers / PTA members

- We will have a list of children attending, so no need to print off your tickets
- Please collect your child promptly at 4:30pm from the Year 4&5 area – ice lollies will be available to purchase after the disco

Session 2: 4:45pm-5:45pm – Year 5 and Year 6

Please collect your children from school as usual (or they walk home as usual if Year 6), then bring them to (they return to) the main Junior School entrance by the office for 4:45pm.

- We will have a list of children attending, so no need to print off your tickets
- Please collect your child promptly at 5:45pm from the Year 4&5 area – ice lollies will be available to purchase after the disco,

For any children due attend Busy Bodies, please be assured that arrangements will be made for Busy Bodies staff (with assistance from school staff and PTA volunteers) to drop off and collect your child from the disco.

We cannot wait to see the children having a super time at their disco!

Summer Ball Auction Donations

Thank you so much to those who've donated prizes for the Summer Ball auction. We're still on the lookout for more.....do you work for a business who would be willing to donate a prize or have any other contacts you could sweet talk into donating anything? All proceeds will go to the school, so the bigger the prizes, the better!! Put your thinking caps on and tap up your networks. Please contact us on boldmereptaball@outlook.com

Father's Day Elfridges

The Elfridges shop reopens its doors on Friday 17th June for children to select a gift for the significant male(s) in their life. Gifts are suitable for Fathers, Carers, Grandparents, Uncles etc. Elfridges is strictly a pre-order only service. Tickets cost £2.50 each and are available to purchase now at www.pta-events.co.uk/boldmere Ordering will close at midday on Wednesday 15th June.

PTA Ice Cream Shop

Our team of volunteers are hoping to open the PTA Ice Cream shop on Wednesday and Thursday after school this week (weather permitting) and also after each of the **school discos**, as the children may need something to cool them down after all that dancing! Please try to pay with exact change if possible, or we also accept contactless payments. All proceeds go directly to the school.

Pre-loved School Uniform Shop – Grab a Bargain!

Our Boldmere PTA pre-loved uniform shop is available online and we now have PE items in stock. Please visit our website www.pta-events.co.uk/boldmere (click on “shop” at the top of the page, then “uniform & merchandise”) We will aim to have your items delivered to your child's class within 7 days.