

Boldmere Junior School

Weekly Newsletter

This month's value - Resilience

A message from Mr Sadler, Head of Junior School

Dear parents and carers,

Another week has flown by in what is an incredibly busy time of year. The calendar is throwing up event after event after event and there is no relenting as we enter the final few weeks of the year. Certainly one of the stand out events last week was the visit of Professor Brainstorm who wowed children throughout the school with his awe-inspiring science experiments! Undoubtedly, his visit was a roaring success, proven by the shrieks of delight and appreciation emanating from the hall. With so many highlights ranging from a hammer disguised as a banana to exploding Pringles' tubs, the children were certainly inspired by what they saw, so in going against the grain a little, I'll say to the children "please DO try this at home!" ...within reason of course! Visit the schools Twitter feed to see the sorts of experiments that were being shared and huge thanks to Miss Martin for arranging the day.

Another highlight of the last week has been the performance poetry that each year group has been rehearsing, culminating yesterday in their performances to the rest of the school. This was a clear example of what we are striving for at Boldmere; for learning to have real purpose. Poetry is to be shared and who better to share it with than 370 children and teachers! Keeping this section brief this week, I'll finish with a few reminders of upcoming events:

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. 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.

Transition day – To coincide with our Year 6 children visiting their secondary schools for the day, we will be holding our own transition day in school where children will all spend the day with their new class teachers, the information concerning which will be shared at the beginning of next week. This year, I am delighted to share that there will be a Geography theme to our transition day, with children all needing their passport (we'll supply these 😊) to take them on a journey to a new year and a new place...see further details later in the newsletter!

Parents' open evening - I am delighted to share that we will be inviting parents into school on Tuesday 12th July to give the opportunity to see children's work and share in their successes throughout the year. The open evening will run from 3.45 – 6.15 pm, operated as a drop-in with no pre-bookable appointments although experience tells me, it is usually very busy at the beginning of the evening and quietens down later. Children too are welcome to attend with their parents and share the work of which they are proud!

Welcome to Year 3 meeting – The evening of Wednesday 13th July sees us invite the parents of the new Year 3 cohort into school where information will be shared ahead of their transition into the junior school. The event will run from 5.30pm until approximately 6.30 pm.

Values Ambassadors



6F Orla

6FS Isabella

6J Claudia

5PJ Elijah

5B Jack

5E Jay

4M Jessica

4W Jaskarun

4K Lucy

3H Harry

3U Eva

3P Kehan

Busy Bodies

Polite reminder- Recently, we have had a few children being dropped off earlier than their stated time on their booking form. Please be reminded that we only staff for the amount of children expected between 7:45am to 8:00am. Parents will be charged according to the time that they drop off, so please ensure that you drop off at your correct stated time.

July/ September booking forms are available for collection, please ensure that your July booking form is returned by Wednesday 29th June and fees paid by Friday 1st July. Your September form can be returned at the same time if you are aware of your requirements. September booking forms are required by Wednesday 15th July and fees to be paid by 31st August.

New families for September- For all new Receptions we will be sending out reminders in September regarding your September and Registration fees payment. Once your child has been allocated a ParentPay login we will be able to assign them to the appropriate Busy Bodies payment items and process your payments.

Open evenings- Please be reminded that we will be hosting our open evenings on Monday 11th, Tuesday 12th and Wednesday 13th July. This will be open to all our new and current parents/ carers, it will coincide with the Infants stay and play sessions dates, to ensure that parents/carers can have a smooth transition day for their little ones. Should you wish to attend any of these sessions, please inform the Busy Bodies Manager in due time via email at khyatt@boldmere.bham.sch.uk or via telephone on 0121 464 1343, so that we are aware of how many people to expect.

BIB News

Congratulations

Thierry in Giraffes for good reading.

Musab in LK for demonstrating fantastic behaviour to his class mates all week.

Hayden in ED for all round good effort and exemplary behaviour.

News and reminders

Library trip

LK had a lovely time at Boldmere Library last week. On Thursday, this week it is Giraffes turn. They are looking forward to visiting and hearing some stories.

Year 6 performance

The BIB children have been invited to watch the Year 6 leavers' production of 'The Lion King' this week. Year 6 have worked extremely hard on this, so we are all very excited to see it.

Swimming

ED are continuing to go swimming this week. Please ensure that all your children have everything they need to be able to take part, a costume/trunks, goggles (optional) and a towel. Please ensure that the children are at the bottom of the BIB ramp for 8.45am prompt.

Sensory room

Work on the Sensory room has begun. It has been painted and the electrics prepared for some new lights. At the end of term, we will be taking delivery of some exciting new equipment.

LOST CLOTHING

We have received several calls from parents about lost items of clothing that we do not appear to have in school. If your child accidentally brings home an item of clothing that is not theirs please could you return it to school ASAP. **Please ensure all clothes/ coats are labelled to ensure we can return them quickly.**

Celebration Assembly 23/06/22



Tweet of the week

08:27

69%

← Tweet



Federation of Boldmere Schools
@BoldmereSchools

Watch Dylan hammer in a nail with a banana!!!



159 views

11:42 · 22 Jun 22 · Twitter for iPad

4 Likes



SCHOOL PHOTOS

Could you please ensure that pupil names are written on the order forms as we have had several orders handed in without names on.

Orders must be returned by Friday 1st July

Y3 Tag Rugby Club This Thursday

Tag rugby club for Year 3 will still go ahead this week (on Thursday 30th June) for all children who wish to attend; however, we appreciate that with Sports Afternoon, not all parents will choose to send their children.

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 3H.

This terms standings for attendance are as follows:

Week	Class
21 st June	3H
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 Visit payments are due this Friday, 1st July via Parent Pay for:
Willersley Castle (Year 5), Sea Life Centre (Year 3) and Cadbury World (Year 5)**

Transition Day (Current Year 3, 4 & 5)

Next Wednesday, **6th July**, will be our school transition day when all pupils will spend the day with their new class teachers. The children will be 'travelling' the world and visiting different continents in each year group.

Current Year 2 pupils going into Year 3 - Africa and Asia

Current Year 3 pupils going into Year 4 - Europe

Current Year 4 pupils going into Year 5 - North and South America and Australasia

Current Year 5 pupils going into Year 6 - Antarctica vs Arctic

There will be an opportunity for children to dress up in a flag colour linked to the continent or as a famous/historical person. The day will be full of fun geographical learning and a chance to get to know the new adults in the year group.

PTA NEWS

It's the Summer Fair 8th July 3 - 5pm

Thank you so much to anybody that's already donated unwanted mugs, soft toys and bric-a-brac. We are still collecting and will be outside school at drop off this Friday, 1st July if you missed previous collections for your unwanted stuff.

As part of our Summer Fair this year, with your help, we are going to be making hampers. These will be an online auction which will go live via www.pta-events.co.uk/boldmere . Each School year has been assigned a colour and we ask for a donation of a new or unused item in that colour for our '**All Colour Auction**'.

Year 3 – Green

Year 4 – Blue

Year 5 – Purple

Year 6 – Pink

We would love anything you can give in the colour allocated to you. PTA representatives will be collecting donations outside school, this Friday, 1st July.

ON THE DAY OF THE FAIR, WE NEED VOLUNTEERS, can you ...

1. Stay after school drop off to sort all stock. (9am)
2. Early afternoon, from Midday to set everything up
3. On a stall for an hour at the fair? (3 - 4 or 4 - 5)
4. Clean up afterwards

Please let your PTA Class rep know with your permission that your contact details can be passed onto the Summer Fair organisers. Someone will be in touch.

The Boldmere PTA present

Summer Fair

FREE ENTRY

FRIDAY 8TH JULY
3pm - 5pm

JOIN US FOR AN AFTERNOON OF FAMILY FUN
INFLATABLES | GAMES | RAFFLE | COMPETITIONS
BRIC A BRAC | UNIFORMS | CRAFTS
FOOD, DRINK, BAR | ENTERTAINMENT

ALL MONEY RAISED WILL BENEFIT ALL PUPILS AT BOLDMERE INFANT AND JUNIOR SCHOOL

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



WIN £1,000 to help your school rebuild their library – plus a £100 National Book Token for yourself!

Schools everywhere are doing their best to help children catch up with the months of learning lost during the pandemic, and yet reading for pleasure – which has been shown time and time again to be the single biggest indicator of a child's future success – is falling off the agenda. A study by our friends Read for Good – a charity which raises money for books for schools and children in hospital by getting children reading for fun – found that 81% of schools didn't have a separate budget for reading for pleasure, while almost three quarters of schools reported decimated library stocks due to unreturned books during lockdown or library resources being diverted elsewhere.

It's time to get serious about reading for pleasure, and start rebuilding our schools' libraries. **We're giving five schools £1,000 of National Book Tokens each, plus membership to the School Library Association**, to help them rebuild their range of books and encourage reading for pleasure now and for generations to come.

Nominate your school using the form below, and if yours is one of the five winning entries, **you'll also win a £100 National Book Token for yourself!**

Winners will be drawn at random after Friday 29th July and announced in September 2022.

https://www.nationalbooktokens.com/schools?utm_source=nbt&utm_medium=email&utm_content=rebuild-the-library&utm_campaign=20220623_schools#win-1000-for-your-schools-library---form

Birmingham City Council SEND July Webinars

Occupational Therapy DIY Sleep, Wash & Dress – 6th July (Primary) 7th July (Secondary)
Introduction to SEND Support Provision Plans – 14th July

Please see the posters attached for further information or see

<https://www.localofferbirmingham.co.uk>



Bring it on Brum! is running FREE activity clubs in Birmingham for those aged 4-16 who are eligible for benefits-related free school meals. Activity clubs will run from Monday 25 July to Friday 2 September with sessions lasting around 4 hours. Each child is eligible to attend up to 16 sessions during the summer school holidays.

Activities include sports and games, arts and crafts, cookery, dance and music. Programmes will vary depending on the type and location of each local club, but every day there will be a delicious nutritious meal served up for **free!**

If you're in need of a little inspiration for an amazing summer, check out your nearest Bring it on Brum! location and register today using your unique HAF code or give your code to the club of your choice if they are taking bookings directly. **TO GET YOUR HAF CODE PLEASE CALL OR EMAIL THE SCHOOL OFFICE AS SOON AS POSSIBLE.**

You will be able to book activities from **1 July 2022** at: www.bringitonbrum.co.uk. The website will be updated regularly as new providers are confirmed so if you can't find a suitable holiday club straight away, check back regularly.

Can't get out this summer?

Our website has loads of great ideas to keep kids of all ages entertained. We've got heaps of downloadable games and activities and links to videos that you and your family can enjoy at any time and in any weather.

We hope you will take advantage of this great opportunity so your child(ren) can have a summer of fun with their friends - and be fit and ready to return to school in September.