Boldmere Junior School

Weekly Newsletter

A message from Mr Sadler, Head of Junior School

Dear parents and carers,

I trust that the children enjoyed their half-term break and that they are eager and ready for the excitement that is the half-term before Christmas! We shared many of the key Christmas dates shortly before half-term ad these are again captured on the diary dates at the foot of this newsletter. One thing to draw attention to is the Year 4 Christmas performances that will take place during the week beginning the 12th December. To provide clarity regarding something that parents may not be familiar with, at the junior school it is only Year 4 that will perform a Christmas play. All other year groups have an opportunity at different stages of the year to perform on stage themselves mapped out as follows: Year 3 will perform a singing showcase in the Spring term, Year 5 will perform an Easter production before we break for that holiday and Year 6 will perform at the end of the academic year.

A highlight of this first week back has undoubtedly been the launch of our star values celebration assemblies that have been conducted on Monday and Wednesday of this first week back. These special assemblies will celebrate children identified by their teachers as having gone over and above the meeting of the School Values. These assemblies will be held once per term and will enable parents of the selected children to dial in remotely to see their children receive their respective awards, as has been the case this week. Our first ever winners are listed below in this newsletter; congratulations to them all and we look forward to our next star values assembly in the New Year.

Another special mention from me this week is to acknowledge our Year 5 and 6 girl's football team who played their first competitive match in the week before the half-term break. The girl's performed exceptionally well, winning the match convincingly by what I believe finished an 8 v 1 score line. Well done girls; we're proud of both your performance and the manner in which you represented the school!

Finally from me, the staff and I would like to invite the parents of the Year 6 children who attended the residential visit to Willersley Castle into school for a celebration evening where we will share many of the photographs from the visit, hear positive recounts from some of the children and there will even be a short awards presentation based on some activities that were undertaken during the visit. The celebration evening will be held on **Monday 21st November starting at 5.00pm**, further details for which will be shared by Parent Mail shortly.

Flu Vaccinations

We have been advised that the NHS will be coming into school on Wednesday 7th December to administer nasal flu vaccinations to all pupils. Forms will be sent home this week and all families will need to return a form for each child to confirm if you give consent for your child to receive this vaccination.

Remembrance Poppy Appeal

We have poppies available in school for a minimum 50p donation for the Royal British Legion in advance of Remembrance Day. Other items available are zip pulls (50p), wristbands (£1), reflectors (£1) and snap bands (£2) Cash payments only please.



Maths Workshops Year 3 & Year 4

The Year 4 Maths workshop will be taking place next **Tuesday (8th November) from 9:15 to 10:45.** We warmly invite two adults per child to come and share in their child's learning! Year 3's Maths workshop will be **Thursday 1st December 9:15 to 10:45**. Please indicate on the Google form emailed out if you can attend.

Home addresses and emergency contact details

Please remember to inform the School Office via email if you move home address or if any telephone numbers or email addresses change.

Lego Donations

If families have any Lego they no longer want we would welcome donations for our pupils. Please bring donations to the School Office.

NUT ALLERGIES

We are aware that some pupils have come into school recently with snacks/ packed lunches that contain nuts or nut products including Nutella and Ferrero Rocher. Due to our pupils and members of staff with nut allergies we <u>do not</u> <u>allow any nuts or nut based food items.</u>

Pupil Photos

Individual photos of the children will be taken on Friday 11th November and will be available to buy ASAP. All pupils should wear school uniform on this day.



COMING SOON...CHILDREN IN NEED!

If you wish to make a donation to Children In Need please use the following link: <u>https://app.parentpay.com/ParentPayShop/Foc/Default.aspx?shopid=8629</u> information will follow by ParentMail regarding activities that will take place in school.

Tweet of the week

← Tweet

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@BoldmereSchools

Year 5 have launched into their Science topic all about Space by gathering information about all of the planets in our solar system! Did you know that a year on Neptune is equal to 165 Earth years?!



Attendance

Last week's attendance for the school was 95.5%. Our target each week is 97%

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

This terms standings for attendance are as follows:

Week	Class
Week 1	3U and 3P
Week 2	3M and 5W
Week 3	3M, 4QK and 5W
Week 4	6F
Week 5	3M, 6J and 6F
Week 6	3M and 6J

Celebration Assemblies w/c 31/10/22

Congratulations to our Values Superstar Award winners for the Autumn Term!

3U	Jacob
3P	Esmee
3M	Rosie
4RW	Eva
4Q	Anja
4H	Sophia

Lilian
Charlie
Joseph
Tyler
Ruby
Ava



Busy Bodies

Welcome back to everyone, we hope that all our families had a lovely half term break; the children have been sharing their exciting stories of their time away from school.

Polite reminder - November booking forms should be returned by this Wednesday 2nd November, and all fees should be paid by this Friday 4th November. May we kindly ask that Parents ensure that they put their child/ren names on their booking form as we currently have a few forms in which we do not know whom to associate these to.

Diary Dates - school term dates 2022-2023

Friday 11th November Photographer taking individual pupil photos – school uniform must be worn Wednesday 7th December Children's Christmas Dinner Flu Vaccinations Friday 9th December Christmas Jumper Day for Save the Children **PTA Elfridges** Monday 12th December Year 4 Christmas Production – Dress Rehearsal Wednesday 14th December Year 4 Christmas Production - Evening performance 6:00-7:00pm Thursday 15th December Year 4 Christmas Production - Afternoon performance 2:00-3:00pm Monday 12th – Thursday 15th December Christmas Parties (One year group per day) Friday 16th December Children break up for the Christmas holidays Afternoon church service at St Michael's

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Tuesday 3rd January INSET day – school closed to children Wednesday 4th January Children return to school. 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 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

BIB News

Welcome back! I hope that you all had a lovely break and are ready for the run up to the festive season.

As always, it will be a busy half term. We have another coffee afternoon planned; details will follow. We are looking forward to sharing some Christmas activities with you nearer the end of term.

We are looking forward to welcoming Mr Platt who is joining us on work experience to help in each class in the BIB.

Celebrations

Giraffes- Jeevika for working hard during her transition times. LK- James for amazing reading and a fantastic effort.

ED/KM- Jake and Alfie for showing kindness towards their peers.

Dates to remember

November 4th PTA Bonfire and Fireworks night

PTA Fireworks Tickets – on sale now. The 2022 PTA Fireworks Show will take place on Friday 4th November – doors open at 5:30pm and the firework display will begin at 7pm. There will be plenty of hot food, drinks, sweets, popcorn and flashing goods available for purchase on the night. Tickets are £5 for ages 4 and over and children under 4 are free of charge. Please visit our website for more information and to secure your tickets <u>www.pta-events.co.uk/boldmere</u>

November 14th Odd socks day - Anti Bullying week

November 25th BIB Coffee afternoon - letters to follow this week

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