

# Boldmere Junior School

## Weekly Newsletter

This month's value - Resilience

### A message from Mr Sadler, Head of Junior School

Dear Parents and Carers,

Just a few quick reminders from me this week ahead of a more detailed newsletter next week that will reflect on the many exciting events of the past week or so!

**Staffing arrangements 2022-23** – As you will be aware, children yesterday discovered who their new class teacher is going to be. Since this was shared, there has been some concern raised by children regarding Miss Martin not having a class next year. As I said to the children, worry not...Miss Martin will still be with us at Boldmere but will be taking on a different responsibility teaching in the BIB whilst Mrs Driscoll is absent on maternity leave. Miss Martin is very excited about this opportunity and is looking forward to working closely with Mrs Driscoll and the children in the coming weeks.

**End of year report** – Children will bring home their end of year report on Thursday of this week, along with any test papers that they have completed recently. The reports are of a similar style to the end of term report introduced earlier this year. We will continue to report children's progress and attainment on a termly basis through the next academic year.

**Parents' open evening** – Parents' open evening will be on Tuesday 12<sup>th</sup> July and 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 quiets down later. Children too are welcome to attend with their parents and share the work of which they are proud! At parents' request, the open evening will also provide an opportunity to discuss children's end of year report with your child's class teacher.

**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. We are particularly excited to welcome the new cohort of year three children to the school who we are sure will have a fantastic day with us.

**Bring the power – common wealth celebration day** – on either Tuesday 12<sup>th</sup> July or Wednesday 13<sup>th</sup> July children will get to experience a try something new sports event run by Aspire Sports with activities reflective of some of the events due to take place in the games later this summer. For ease, we will be inviting the whole school to attend in their sports kits on both Tuesday and Wednesday next week (with the exception of 3H on the Tuesday as they will be on their school trip).

**Year 6 SATs results** – We have today received the children's end of Key Stage 2 SATs results and are in the process of sharing these this afternoon.

**Welcome to Year 3 meeting** – The evening of Wednesday 13<sup>th</sup> 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 6.30pm.

### Values Ambassadors



6F Tom

6FS Evie

6J Ralph

5PJ Jack

5B Oliver

5E Aman

4M Zakariye

4W Violet

3H Millie

3U Lottie

3P Lottie

## **Busy Bodies**

**July booking form and payment-** Please be aware that there are several payments still outstanding for June/ July's fees. Please check your child's ParentPay account to ensure that your balance is up to date and cleared. July fees will be debited on Wednesday 6<sup>th</sup> July to include any extra sessions in June.

**September booking forms and fees-** Your form will be **required by Wednesday 15<sup>th</sup> July** to ensure that we have accurate registers for our return to school in the new academic year. We are aware that your form may be subject to change and we are happy to action this in September.

We have had a few queries with regards to when fees will be required for September, fees must be paid prior to care being provided and by no later than 31<sup>st</sup> August, should you have any queries with regards to this please do not hesitate in contacting the Busy Bodies Manager.

**Registration fees-**to hold your child's place for the new academic year, your registration fees should have been paid by last Friday 1<sup>st</sup> July.

**End of year party-** We will be celebrating with all our lovely children and on Wednesday 6<sup>th</sup> July we will be hosting a sports afternoon in light of the upcoming Common Wealth games for the children to engage in.

Please be aware that as a one off parents will be allowed onsite on the school field when collecting their children, children will be doing a variety of sports such as netball, archery, table tennis, volley ball, cycling etc and we would love for our parents/carers to come and participate too.

**Health and Safety-** Please remind children to bring along their sunhats, sun creams and water to keep them cool and refreshed throughout the day. If possible children are welcome to bring in something sporty to wear when they attend Busy Bodies.

**Parent info-** Please be reminded that the last day for pupils in school will be Wednesday 20<sup>th</sup> July, this will be the same date for Busies.

We have a few parents who have booked their children in on Thursday 21<sup>st</sup> which will be Teacher Training Day- and Friday 22<sup>nd</sup> National Bank holiday, we will adjust your booking form fees accordingly for these above days.

**Open evenings-** Monday 11<sup>th</sup> July to Wednesday 13<sup>th</sup> July- from 4:15pm. We have extended our open evenings to also accommodate our current infant parents who have not yet had the opportunity to look around Busies setting. Thank you for your kind attention to the above notices.

## **BIB News**

### **Celebrations**

**Zak James** in Giraffes for all round good effort this week.

**James** in LK for fantastic effort in PE. Super team work too.

**Cole** in ED for helping others and sharing.

### **Other news**

Thank you for coming along to the Coffee Afternoon. It was good see you all. There will be further opportunities next year for more meet ups.

Giraffe class had a lovely visit to Boldmere Library last week. ED will be going along on Thursday for their visit. On Friday this week, the BIB children should be collected at 2.15 please. This is in preparation for the School fair that begins at 3.00.

On Tuesday July 12<sup>th</sup> 3.15-5.45, a reminder that it is 'Celebration Evening'. The Teachers will be available for you to talk to and for you to look through your child's books. No appointments are necessary as this is a 'drop in' style evening.

## LOST CLOTHING AND BELONGINGS

Please ensure all clothes/ coats are labelled to ensure we can return any lost items quickly.

Celebration Assembly 01/07/22



### PTA NEWS

#### **Next PTA Meeting**

Please join us tonight at 8:15pm for the next online PTA Meeting. We will be discussing where we are financially in terms of supporting the Big Summer Fundraiser for the Junior play equipment, the Summer Fair and plans for the next academic year. If you wish to join, please email [boldmere.pta@gmail.com](mailto:boldmere.pta@gmail.com) so that we can share the Zoom login details with you.

#### **Boldmere PTA Summer Fair**

We are excited for the return of the PTA Summer Fair this Friday 8<sup>th</sup> July 3-5pm. The Fair is an opportunity for the school community to get together, have fun and raise money for the PTA. We have organised lots of exciting stalls including fun games (run by Year 6 children), food and drinks (including licensed bar), tombolas, raffles, inflatables and much more. Please bring pocket money and we will also accept card payments at some of the stalls.

Large inflatables – wristbands will cost £5 and will allow your child unlimited access.

**Friday 8<sup>th</sup> July** – PTA representatives will be collecting donations for the Fair in the morning. For Junior School children it will be a **non-uniform day** in exchange for a **bottle donation** to the bottle stall.

Deadline for raffle tickets is Wednesday 6<sup>th</sup> July. Please return your stubs and money in a labelled envelope (child's name, class and PTA raffle) or any unsold tickets to the school office. There is a prize for the child who sells the most tickets.

**We need volunteers please:** Are you able to help at all at the Summer Fair?

- After drop-off on Friday morning
- From 1pm on Friday
- For an hour to run a stall (3-4pm or 4-5pm)
- From 5pm to help tidy up after the Fair

If you can help at any of these times, please let your PTA class rep know, or send an email to [boldmere.pta@gmail.com](mailto:boldmere.pta@gmail.com) Thank you!

Thank you for your generosity helping with all the donations we have received and thank you in advance for supporting the Summer Fair on the day.

## Music Lesson Fees

**Could any parents who have not already paid for the full academic year for music lessons please do so via ParentPay by Wednesday 13<sup>th</sup> July.**

### Transition Day (Current Year 3, 4 & 5)

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.

### Overdue Educational Visits Payments

If your child is due to attend The Sea Life Centre (Year 3), Cadbury World or Willersley Castle (Year 5) and you have not yet paid or provided a paper consent form please can you do this urgently as payment is now overdue.

If you have indicated on a consent form that you may be exempt you will receive a further form to complete.

### Attendance

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Last week's attendance for the school was 96.2%. Our target each week is 97%.

The class with the best attendance and gaining their attendance leaf for our tree was 4W.

This terms standings for attendance are as follows:

Week	Class
28 <sup>th</sup> June	4W
21 <sup>st</sup> June	3H
14 <sup>th</sup> June	6J
7 <sup>th</sup> June	5PJ
25 <sup>th</sup> May	5PJ
17 <sup>th</sup> May	4M and 5E
12 <sup>th</sup> May	6J
4 <sup>th</sup> May	6F



The Boldmere PTA present

# Summer Fair

FREE ENTRY

**FRIDAY 8<sup>TH</sup> 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 29<sup>th</sup> June (matinee) & Thursday 30<sup>th</sup> June (evening)**

Y6 leavers' performance

**Thursday 30<sup>th</sup> June (Y3/4) and Friday 1<sup>st</sup> July (Y5/6)**

Junior school sports' afternoons - arrive from 1.30pm ends at 3.20pm

**Wednesday 6<sup>th</sup> July**

Whole school transition day (and secondary transfer day)

**Friday 8<sup>th</sup> July**

Early closure – 2.30pm for all

**Tuesday 12<sup>th</sup> July**

Parents' celebration open evening

**Wednesday 13<sup>th</sup> July**

Open evening for the new Year 3 parents

**Wednesday 20<sup>th</sup> July**

Children break up for the summer holidays

**Wednesday 7<sup>th</sup> September**

Children begin the new school year

**Friday 21<sup>st</sup> October**

Children break-up for October half-term

**Monday 31<sup>st</sup> October**

Children return to school

**Friday 16<sup>th</sup> 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](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 – 6<sup>th</sup> July (Primary) 7<sup>th</sup> July (Secondary)  
Introduction to SEND Support Provision Plans – 14<sup>th</sup> 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](http://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.