

NEWSLETTER - DECEMBER 3

Dear Parents

Christmas Card Post

The postal service will end on Wednesday 19th December (internal post only!) A big 'thank you' to all our Year Two postal workers. What a great job they have done this year.

Christmas Carol Service Friday 21st December 9.45am

The infant school will be going to St Michael's Church, Boldmere Road to sing Christmas carols and songs, unless there is very heavy rain or snow. All families are welcome. Please come along and join in. The nursery will be closed on 21st December. Nursery children are very welcome to come and join in the Carol service with their parents.

Office Update

We are very pleased to welcome Mrs C. Hubbleday as a new member of our office team. She will be working alongside Mrs Dale in the Infant office from this week.

We would like to thank Mrs Norrie and Mrs Hubbard for their work during this term covering the office vacancy, it's been a challenge but what a great team we have.

School Meal Changes

If any parent would like to change their child's school meal arrangements for the spring term, please let the school office know in writing by Thursday 20th December 2018.

Children's Christmas Parties

The children's Christmas parties take place on Thursday 20th December. Children may wear their party clothes to school on this day. Children have brought home slips requesting food to be provided. As you know we are a healthy eating school but we are making an exception on this occasion.

Apologies- Turtle class slips requesting food will be in the children's book bags tonight.

Lunchtime Clubs

Letters were sent home last week regarding the lunchtime clubs for your child's year group starting in the new term. In order to be as fair as possible in the allocation of places we work on a lucky dip system. If you wish to reserve a place for your child, please return the form to the school office by Wednesday 19th December for Tennis club and Thursday 20th December for all other clubs. Please ensure payment is made via ParentPay.

Request from Mrs Long

We desperately need girl's pants, socks and tights for any little accidents that happen in school. If you are able to donate any unwanted or grown out of items to school, Mrs Long would be very grateful. Thank you.

Junior School Christmas Production - Friday 21st December

Due to the complications and disruption caused last year, we have decided not to allow younger siblings to be collected early after the Junior school Christmas production.

We hope you will support the school in our decision.

Congratulations Board

Reception - Jack, Millie, Mickel, Luke, Mariyah, Oscar

Year one - William, Billy, Sylvie

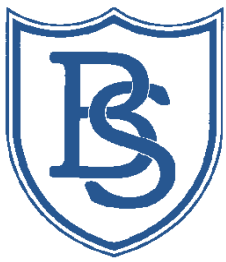
Year Two - Elijah, Eleri, Laura

Celebrating Attendance

Congratulations to Meerkats Class RM and Hedgehogs Class 1CM for achieving 98.15% attendance last week. Well done Meerkats and Hedgehogs.

Christmas Performances

A huge well done to all the children and staff who worked very hard to make the performances such a success. Thank you also to all the parents/carers for their encouragement.



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Barnaby Bear

Barnaby Bear is looking forward to our Christmas holidays and would love spending some time with families during the holiday. If you would like Barnaby to come home with you, please write Mrs Kenny a letter telling her about all the fantastic adventures you might have by Thursday 20th December.

Thank you from PTA

We would like to say a huge thank you to all of the elves that helped at the Elfridges store last week. It was a fabulous team effort and a big thank you to the reception mums that took more of a role in this event. It was such a joy to see all of the children so excited. We hope your children are enjoying the new playground markings that have been installed in both schools last week. The PTA were really pleased to donate the thousands of pounds it cost to get this done. Another thing we are happy to have played a part in to enhance our children's time at school.

Christmas Jumper Day

Thank you for your donations we raised £76.89 for Save The Children.

Year Two Parents

Transfer from Year 2 to Year 3 September 2019

The transfer from year 2 to year 3 online application form can be found by visiting:

www.birmingham.gov.uk/schooladmissions

Letters have been sent home giving information. The deadline is 15th January 2019.

Busy Bodies - Important Notices

We would like to take this opportunity to thank all of our Busy Bodies families for being absolutely fantastic this year. We hope you have had a great half term and best of wishes for the coming year. Happy Christmas and a brilliant New Year to all.

December fees

Please can parents check that they are up to date with their payments, if you currently have any outstanding fees please complete this payment by this Thursday 20th December. Should you have any queries about your fees please speak with the Busy Bodies manager.

January Booking forms are currently available online and at the Busy Bodies desk. Booking forms and fees are due in by Friday 11th January. Look forward to seeing you in the New Year.

Up to Date MAT information

Information can be found at:

<https://www.boldmere.bham.sch.uk/parents/mat-information>

Out of School/Holiday clubs

Information about our out of school and holiday clubs and activities can be found in the letter rack by the office.

Reception Admissions - September 2019

The online application process to register your child for Reception 2019 can be found at: www.birmingham.gov.uk/schooladmissions. The deadline is 15th January 2019.

DIARY DATES

AUTUMN TERM 2018:

19th December - 9:30 Y2 Dress Rehearsal - Limited number left

19th December - 1:45 Y2

Performance FULL

20th December - Christmas Parties

21st December - 9:45 Christmas Service at St Michael's Church

21st December - Break up for Christmas holidays

Spring Term 2019:

7th January - Professional

Development Day- School closed to all pupils

8th January - School re-opens to pupils

13th & 14th February- 4.00-6.30 Parents Evening

15th February - Break up for half term

25th February - School re-opens to all pupils

6th March- 1.30-3.00 Year 1 Inspire Afternoon

7th March- 1.30-3.00 Year 2 Inspire Afternoon

12th April- 9.15 Easter Bonnet parade

12th April - Break up for Easter holidays

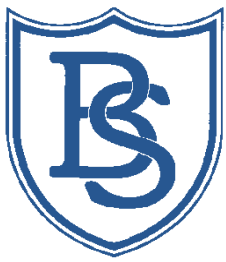
Summer Term 2019:

29th April - School re-opens to all pupils

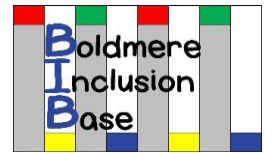
23rd May - Break up for half term

19th July - Break up for summer holiday





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Boldmere Inclusion Base (BIB) update

The building was put into place in between the junior and infant school during the summer holidays and the link corridor was built to the junior school during the first half of the Autumn term. The building has been clad, new windows were installed and then a variety of adjustments were made inside the building including ensuring the toilets were the right height, new carpets and a fresh coat of paint. Lots of new resources have been bought to support the children with their learning!

Whilst all this has been happening, Miss Parsons has been reviewing Education, Health and Care plans sent to her by SENAR and visiting children in their settings to establish if the provision the BIB will offer will meet the needs of the children. The first four children have been offered places and have accepted! Miss Parsons has met with the parents, held a stay and play session for the children and they start school on January 8th 2019. Over time the children will spend increasing amounts of time in the mainstream school, building friendships and accessing their learning.



Thank you for all your support during the autumn term. From everyone at Boldmere Infant & Nursery School, have an enjoyable family Christmas and we wish you a happy and healthy New Year. School re-opens for children on **Tuesday 8th January 2019**.

Sarahanna Kenny

Mrs S Kenny
Head of School
18th December 2018