



# NEWSLETTER - FEB 1

Dear Parents/Carers,

## Parents' Evening

We are looking forward to our two parent's evening sessions on Tuesday 15<sup>th</sup> and Wednesday 16<sup>th</sup> February. A reminder that the sessions will be virtual, using School cloud. An instruction letter is attached to this week's newsletter with further guidance. The booking system will open at 4.00pm on Monday 7<sup>th</sup> February and close at 4.00pm on Monday 14<sup>th</sup> February.

## Parent Questionnaire/Feedback Form

Thank you to all those who completed the survey, a total of 184 replies were received before the deadline. We were extremely encouraged by the positive responses and as ever, the Senior Leadership team will evaluate the responses, including any comments made, and identify areas that may be developed further as part of our self-evaluation process. The collated responses are attached. I would like to express my thanks again to all parents/carers for the feedback, we are encouraged to see that 99% of the respondents would recommend Boldmere Infants and Nursery!

## Exclusion Periods for Sickness and Diarrhoea

If your child has had any sickness or diarrhoea, we would ask that you keep them at home for at least 48 hours after the last episode of sickness or diarrhoea. This is in line with NHS guidelines. Thank you for your support.

## Children's Mental Health Week - Week Beginning 7.2.22

Next week is Children's Mental Health Week. This is an opportunity to shine a spotlight on the importance of children's mental health and well-being. The theme this year is **growing together** so in school we will be thinking about ways that we grow. We all grow in many different ways - intellectually, physically and emotionally. In school next week, the children and staff will be taking part in a range of well-being activities as well as thinking about growing emotionally and finding ways to help each other grow.

If you would like further information or support, Place2Be is the UK's leading provider of school-based mental health support and their website is: <https://www.childrensmentalhealthweek.org.uk/>

## Reception Health Screening

The NHS will be measuring the height and weight of the Reception children on **Tuesday 8<sup>th</sup> March 2022** (parents are not required to attend). Your child will be bringing home a letter this week explaining what will happen and what the information is used for. All children will be checked unless you have informed the school office that you **do not** wish your child to take part.

## Diary Dates.

**Tuesday 15<sup>th</sup> February**- Parents evening via School Cloud.  
**Wednesday 16<sup>th</sup> February**- Parents evening via School Cloud.  
**Friday 18<sup>th</sup> February**- Break up for half term holidays.  
**Monday 28<sup>th</sup> February**- School re-opens to all pupils.  
**Wednesday 2<sup>nd</sup> March**-Nursery Open Day-9.30am & 10.15am sessions.  
**Thursday 3<sup>rd</sup> March**-World Book Day  
**Friday 8<sup>th</sup> April**- Break up for Easter holidays.  
**Monday 25<sup>th</sup> April**- School re-opens to all pupils.  
**Thursday 26<sup>th</sup> May**- Pupils break up for half term holidays.  
**Friday 27<sup>th</sup> May**- Professional Development Day - school closed to all pupils.  
**Monday 6<sup>th</sup> June**- School re-opens to all pupils.  
**Wednesday 20<sup>th</sup> July**- Pupils break up for summer holidays.  
**Thursday 21<sup>st</sup> July**- Professional Development Day - school closed to all pupils.  
**Monday 5<sup>th</sup> September**- Professional Development Day - school closed to all pupils.  
**Tuesday 6<sup>th</sup> September**- Professional Development Day-school closed to all pupils.  
**Wednesday 7<sup>th</sup> September**- School re-opens to Year 1, Year 2 & the BIB.  
**Friday 21<sup>st</sup> October**- Break up for half term holidays.  
**Monday 31<sup>st</sup> October**- School re-opens to all pupils.  
**Friday 16<sup>th</sup> December**- Break up for Christmas holidays.



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## Chinese/Lunar New Year

We would like to wish all of our families who are celebrating Chinese/Lunar New Year a very happy celebration. 2022 is the year of the Tiger.

Thank you to Annabel's mum in nursery who has provided the following link with more information: <https://www.besean.co.uk/resources-posts/the-lunar-new-year-early-years-learning-resource>



## Book Week - Week Beginning 28.2.22

Book week will soon be here and we are planning a fun-filled week to celebrate books and reading for enjoyment. We will be taking part in lots of book-based activities and will be holding a competition.

Details coming soon!

**World Book Day is on Thursday 3<sup>rd</sup> March.** We are inviting children to come to school dressed as their favourite book character on that day.

To follow up our book week, we are holding a book fair in the week beginning 7.3.22. Details will be sent out nearer the time.

## Reminder - Parking Outside School

Please consider our school neighbours when parking. Please adhere to the double yellow lines and zig-zag restrictions around school. I would also like to make parents aware that three of our stand up "children signs" opposite school (on the double yellow lines) have been damaged by parents/carers squeezing cars between the signs and running over them. The signs are placed on the bend to protect your children when crossing the road on the way to school. Please think carefully about where you park your vehicles.

## Safer Internet Day Tuesday 8<sup>th</sup> February

Safer Internet Day is celebrated globally in February each year to promote the safe and positive use of digital technology for children and young people, and to inspire a national conversation about using technology responsibly, respectfully, critically, and creatively. Safer Internet Day 2022 is on 8th February and will be celebrated with the theme 'All fun and games? Exploring respect and relationships online'. Coordinated in the UK by the UK Safer Internet Centre, Safer Internet Day is celebrated in over a hundred countries coordinated by the joint Insafe/INHOPE network, with the support of the European Commission, and national Safer Internet Centres across Europe. In school, each class will be discussing Safer Internet day in an age appropriate way for their year group.

## Nursery Open Day For September 2022 Intake

Nursery will be holding open sessions on **Wednesday 2<sup>nd</sup> March 2022** (9.30am & 10.15am) for prospective parents of children who will be eligible to join the nursery in September 2022 (date of birth 01.09.2018 to 31.08.2019), Registration forms are available from the school office or they can be downloaded from the school website under the Parents/Admissions tab.

If you know of anyone that may be interested in a nursery place then please get them to call us on 0121 464 2338. The closing date for applications is Friday 18<sup>th</sup> March 2022.

## Boldmere Inclusion Base News From Mrs Preece

**Parents Evening-** Letters will be going out for parents evening soon. I will also be available to speak to should you wish to do so.

### BIB Celebrations

Giraffes- **Harper-Rose** for remembering some of her letter phase 2 sounds.

LK- **James** for super manners and an awesome 'Line leader.'

ED- **Jeffrey** for achieving first place in the whole school on Spelling Shed.

Another super week in the BIB!!

## Congratulations Board

**Reception-** Aamina, Charlotte & Kuba

**Year One -** Layla, Sachkiran & Seren

**Year Two -** Isabella, Orla & Rhythm



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## Busy Bodies

**February booking form and fees-** A huge thank you to all our families for handing in your forms on time.

February fees will be debited no later than Wednesday 2/2/22, please ensure that if you have not already done so that you check your February fees and ensure they are paid in advance of care being provided.

**Happy Chinese New year-** a reminder that during this week we hope to give the children the opportunity to participate in a face paint and food tasting activity to celebrate Chinese New Year. If for any reasons you would prefer for your child not to take part in this activity, then please inform the Busy Bodies manager immediately.

**Parents questionnaire-** during the following week we would love to hear your views about our club. Your feedback helps us to ensure that we are providing the best provision for our children in our care.

Please keep an eye out for our parent questionnaire and let us know what we are doing well and what can be improved.

## Newsletter:

The weekly newsletter can also be found on the school website:

<https://www.boldmere.bham.sch.uk>

**Email addresses for correspondence specific to your child's class/year group.**

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## PTA News

**1,2,3,4, we declare a Coin War!**

Want to win a round of Donuts for your whole class?

Starting tomorrow (Wednesday 2/2/22) we are asking for children to bring in spare change to fill their class's coin jar. Coins will be given a points value and the class with the most points by Two'sDay (22/2/22) will win a round of donuts.

1p = 1 point

5p = 5 points

10p = 10 points

50p = 50 points

£1 = 100 points

2p = 4 points

20p = 40 points

£2 = 400 points

The winning class will be announced in the Newsletter on Tuesday 1<sup>st</sup> March.

## Online Shopping

Please consider

using [www.smile.amazon.co.uk](http://www.smile.amazon.co.uk) (add "Boldmere Schools PTA")

or [www.easyfundraising.org.uk/boldmereschoolspta](http://www.easyfundraising.org.uk/boldmereschoolspta)

Both are free and easy to sign up to.

Once you've signed up the PTA will receive a small but essential percentage of every purchase made that will benefit our school and all our children.

## REMINDER -Ordering Lunches Via School Grid

Please can we remind parents that you need to order lunches for your child each week via School Grid.

## Book Bags

We now have book bags in stock in school. If you would like to purchase one for your child, please make the payment via Parentpay and your child will receive their new bag.

*Savantha Kenny*

Mrs S Kenny  
Head of  
School  
01/02/2022