Dear Parents/Carers,

# Parents' Evening Reminder

We are looking forward to speaking to parents this week, for our Spring term parents' evening. A reminder that appointments are taking place online via School Cloud (with the exception of our BIB classes) and are accessed via an email link. Please can you ensure that you arrive for your appointment promptly and have your mobile telephone available should there be any disruption to the internet service, either at school or home. Staff will call you if contact is lost during your allotted ten minute appointment time.

Staff have sent home samples of work showing progress from
September to the current time, and will celebrate achievements as well as discussing targets with you during the meetings. You will also receive a "Proud cloud" after the meetings. Please talk with your child about what you are both proud of and write onto the cloud. Please return the clouds to your child's class teacher this week for our school display!

# Half Term Holidays

A reminder that we break up this week on Friday 17<sup>th</sup> February. We would like to wish all of our families an enjoyable half term break. We look forward to welcoming the children back to school on Monday 27<sup>th</sup> February.

# Staffing Changes

It is with sadness that we are saying a goodbye to Mrs Bousted this week. She will be leaving Nursery to begin new adventures. Although we will miss her greatly, we wish her luck in her new job. Mrs Malloy will be joining Mr Meakin in Nursery from 27th February when we return to school.

# Future Strike Action Information

We will be sending home more information on Friday via Parentmail regarding plans for the next teacher industrial strike action day planned for Wednesday 1<sup>st</sup> March.

## Tea With Me

Mrs Mason and Mrs Kenny are looking forward to meeting our "Tea with me" children on Wednesday this week. Children who have earned 30 class points over the course of the term, will have received an invitation to attend our tea party, where we celebrate the excellent behaviour of our Infant children. Mrs Mason will also be talking to the children about school life and what they enjoy at school. We have lots of biscuits ready to enjoy with you all!

# **Diary Dates**

Tuesday 14<sup>th</sup> and Wednesday 15<sup>th</sup> February-Parents Evening via school cloud.

Friday 17<sup>th</sup> February- Break up for half term holidays.

Monday 27th February- School reopens to all pupils.

Thursday 2nd March (change of date) - Nursery Open Day Sessions 9.15am and 1.15pm.

Thursday 2<sup>nd</sup> March - World Book Day.

Monday 6<sup>th</sup> March-1.30pm Year One Inspire Workshop.

Tuesday 7<sup>th</sup> March- 1.30pm Year Two Inspire Workshop.

Wednesday 8<sup>th</sup> March- 1.30pm Reception Inspire Workshop.

Friday 31<sup>st</sup> March - Break up for Easter holidays.

Monday 17<sup>th</sup> April - School reopens to all pupils.

Monday 1<sup>st</sup> May - May Day Bank holiday- School closed.

Monday 8<sup>th</sup> May - King Charles III Coronation Bank Holiday - School closed.

Friday 26<sup>th</sup> May - Break up for half term holidays.

Monday 5<sup>th</sup> June- School re-opens to all pupils.

Friday 21<sup>st</sup> July- Break up for summer holidays.

Monday 24<sup>th</sup> July & Tuesday 25<sup>th</sup> July- School closed for professional development days.

Monday 4<sup>th</sup> September & Tuesday 5<sup>th</sup> September - School closed for professional development days.

Wednesday 6<sup>th</sup> September-School re-opens to Year 1, Year 2 & BIB.



#### READING

### HALF TERM Challenge For Children, Parents and Teachers.

Find your reading super power! Do you read in bed, under the covers, sitting on the sofa, in the garden or under the stars? Ask a grown up to take a photo of you reading - this could be in a favourite comfortable place, somewhere a little bit unusual or even ridiculous! You can choose to read anything that you enjoy! Please send photographs to the year group email addresses and Mrs. Beesley will add them to our Reading Challenge display in school.

#### WORLD BOOK DAY

World Book Day is on Thursday 2<sup>nd</sup> March. We are inviting children to come dressed as their favourite book character. Please see the PTA newsletter for more information about their costume swap.

#### BOOK WEEK - WEEK BEGINNING 6.3.23

Book week will soon be here and we are planning a fun-filled week to celebrate books and reading for enjoyment. On World Book Day, children will be bringing home a reading treasure hunt to complete with their family. We will be holding our INSPIRE workshops during the afternoons this week, when parents/carers are invited into school to work with their children. More information will be available soon.

#### Dates are as follows:

Monday 6th March, 1:30pm - Year 1 (Theme - traditional tales)

Tuesday 7th March, 1:30pm - Year 2 (Theme - 'gardens')

Wednesday 8th March, 1:30pm - Reception

#### SURPRISE READER

Would you like to be a SURPRISE READER during Book Week? If parents/grandparents/carers would like to read a favourite story to their child's class, please email your child's year group email to arrange a suitable time with the class teacher. Shhhhh! It will be a secret!

# Lunchtime Clubs For Spring Term Two 2023

Letters were sent home last week for lunchtime clubs for the second half of the spring term. We still have a few places available in the Year One Girls Football Club and the Year Two Tennis club, if your child is interested in a place then please call or pop into the school office. If your child was unsuccessful in gaining a place in their chosen club then you will receive a note from the school office. If you have not paid and have been asked to by the office please make the payment via Parentpay as soon as possible.

#### Violin And Cello Lessons

How lovely to hear the progress being made by our young violinists and cellists this term. Keep up the good work everyone, and we look forward to your end of year recital in the summer term.

# Congratulations Board

Reception - Ava, Anrola & Olivia. Year One - Danvir, Jason & Bethan. Year Two - Ava, Lucy & Parinoor.

# Celebrating Attendance

Congratulations to Robin class - RI for achieving 99.33% attendance last week. Well done!

#### TTRock Stars

Congratulations to 2B this week who have received the TTRock star trophy for the week. Bear class are champions across both Infant and Junior school and have spent the most time on TTRockstars this week! Well done Bears!

# Dolce School Catering

If you would like to contact Dolce our school catering company regarding anything to do with school lunches please contact them via customercare@dolce.co.uk



# Nursery Open Day For September 2023 Intake

Nursery will be holding open sessions on Thursday 2nd March 2023 (9.15am & 1.15pm) for prospective parents of children who will be eligible to join the nursery in September 2023 (date of birth 01.09.2019 to 31.08.2020). 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  $17^{\text{th}}$  March 2023.

# Golden Table:

This week the following children have been nominated for the Golden Table in the dinner hall: Joseph and George in 2P - Frogs class and Taran, Jacob, Rugayyah, Ayla, Matilda and Penny in 2B -Bears class.

Thank you children.

# Boldmere Inclusion Base News From Mrs Preece:

We are at the end of another half term and how busy it has been. The children settled back into routine of school after Christmas and have been working hard in class.

The BIB has had the pleasure of meeting 'Benny' the dog from Pets As Therapy, some children have been reading to him. Others, have performed in the 'Singing Showcase' with the Junior school. When the new half term begins, we hope that more opportunities will be made available for other children in the BIB.

#### Celebrations

Giraffes- Thierry, for super effort in all lessons.

LK- Musab and Theo, for showing courage and fabulous singing during the Junior 'Singing Showcase'.

KM- Enya, for a fantastic attitude and effort with work.

# BIB Class Attendance -week ending 10th February

Giraffes-92.50 %

LK- 94.29%

KM-94.29% Well Done to LK and KM!!

# UPDATE March 2nd World Book Day

A few of you have asked about children wearing 'Book Day Costumes' in response to last week's newsletter. For those of you who have costumes that the children are keen to wear, of course they can wear them. However, those children that would rather not, can come in comfortable clothes to follow the colour theme for the 'Day the Crayons Quit', as mentioned previously.

Over half term please can you read with your children. It does not have to be for a long time each day but the children benefit greatly from hearing you read and them reading to you.

A polite reminder to you all, to please be prompt at the end of the day to pick up your child. Several children do become distressed if they are not able to see their parents at the gate.

As always, thank you for your ongoing support it is appreciated.

# Ordering Lunches Via School Grid

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

### Newsletter

The weekly newsletter can also be found on the school website: https://www.boldmere.bham.sch.uk

The PTA newsletter will be sent out separately on Thursday to all parents/carers.

Polite reminder that dogs/puppies are not allowed on the school site, whether they are walking or being carried. The ONLY exception are guide dogs.





#### **Busy Bodies**

February booking forms- Kindly ensure that your February fees are paid and up to date, the Busy Bodies Manager will be sending out email reminders by the end of this week. Please be reminded that February booking form is shorter than usual being a three-week form.

March/April booking forms- Please note that March and April booking forms are going out together this month-Booking forms are now available for your attention please ensure that March booking forms are returned by Wednesday 1st March and that your fees are paid by Friday 3rd March.

April booking form are required by Wednesday 29th March and fees are due in by Friday 31st March. Should you have any queries, please do not hesitate in contacting the Busy Bodies Manager.

**Disco night-** On Tuesday 14th February we will host our disco night. Kindly ensure that any children wanting to change into their own clothes for the afternoon session, that all clothes are in a labelled bag, for the attention of the Busy Bodies staff.

We would like to take this opportunity to thank all our families for your continuous kind support and wishing you all a very fantastic February half term

# Community News

Disclaimer - The following community events are for your information. Should you wish to obtain further information or attend, it is at parents' own discretion.



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

bib-contact@boldmere.bham.sch.uk
nursery-contact@boldmere.bham.sch.uk
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