



NEWSLETTER - FEB 3

Dear Parents/Carers,

Welcome Back Everyone!

We hope that you have all had a restful half term and enjoyed spending time with your families. This half term is quite a short one, but a very busy one. We start with World Book Day this Thursday and this leads into Book Week next week. We look forward to welcoming our secret readers into school and visiting the Scholastic Book Fayre each day after school, from 3.30-4.00pm. Next week we also have our Inspire afternoons. For those parents/carers who have not previously attended due to Covid restrictions throughout the last two years, our Inspire afternoons are a lovely opportunity to work with your child within school. A leaflet will be sent home with your child today. Please return the tear off reply slip, indicating who will be attending the session. Monday 6th March is for Year 1, Tuesday 7th March is Year 2 and Wednesday 8th March is Reception. All sessions run from 1.30pm to 3.00pm. Please sign in at the Infant school office.

British Sign Language Week

Week beginning March 13th is British Sign Language week and children will be learning more about Makaton and BSL.

Red Nose Day

Save the date...Friday 17th March. Further information will follow to help us celebrate "Spreading the Joy" this year.

Change Of Menu On School Grid For Children Attending School On Wednesday 1st March

The menu has been changed on Wednesday 1st March to a sandwich option for the children who are attending school. Please make sure that you choose a sandwich option for your child via SchoolGrid.

NEU Strike Action Wednesday 1st March

A Parent mail has been sent out this morning to all parents/carers with the arrangements and details for tomorrow's planned NEU strike.

A reminder that if your child is eligible for income based free school meals (pupil premium), packed lunches can be ordered via school grid and collected from the school office at 11.30am. Any queries concerning this, please contact the main school office.

Sustrans Big Walk and Wheel

From 20th to 31st March, school will be taking part in this event, monitoring how we make our journeys to school. Further information and leaflets will be sent out next week in preparation for the competition!

Values

Our value this half term is appreciation. Please see the attached values newsletter for further information and activities to do at home.

Diary Dates

Thursday 2nd March - Nursery Open Day Sessions 9.15am and 1.15pm.
Thursday 2nd March - World Book Day.
Monday 6th March- 1.30pm Year One Inspire Workshop.
Tuesday 7th March- 1.30pm Year Two Inspire Workshop.
Wednesday 8th March- 1.30pm Reception Inspire Workshop.
Friday 17th March- Red Nose Day, more details to follow.
Friday 31st March - Break up for Easter holidays.
Monday 17th April - School re-opens to all pupils.
Monday 1st May - May Day Bank holiday- School closed.
Monday 8th May - King Charles III Coronation Bank Holiday - School closed.
Friday 26th May - Break up for half term holidays.
Monday 5th June- School re-opens to all pupils.
Friday 21st July- Break up for summer holidays.
Monday 24th July & Tuesday 25th July- School closed for professional development days.
Monday 4th September & Tuesday 5th September - School closed for professional development days.
Wednesday 6th September- School re-opens to Year 1, Year 2 & BIB.



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Sutton Coldfield Charitable Trust - School Uniform Grant Applications 2023

School Uniform Grant Application forms are available from the school office. All completed forms will need to be returned to the school office by **Monday 13th March 2023** at the latest. The eligibility criteria and proof of benefits required is listed below:

- A current resident of one of the Sutton Constituency Electoral Wards, ie Sutton Mere Green, Sutton Four Oaks, Sutton Vesey, Sutton Wylde Green, Sutton Trinity, Sutton Roughley, Sutton Reddicap, Sutton Wamley & Minworth.
- In receipt of one or more of the benefits listed: Income Support, Job Seekers Allowance, Employment Support Allowance, Child Tax Credit, Working Tax Credit, Universal Credit.

New Arrivals!

Congratulations to Millie-Rose in Year One and family on the birth of Charlie. Welcome to our school family.

Dogs

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.

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 17th March 2023.

Celebrating Attendance

Congratulations to Seal class - 1H for achieving 98.67% attendance the week before half term. Well done!

Congratulations Board

Reception- Teddy, Mickey & Robyn.
Year One - Jessica, Adam & Huey.
Year Two - George J, Jacob S & Jacob R.

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

bib-contact@boldmere.bham.sch.uk

nursery-contact@boldmere.bham.sch.uk

reception-contact@boldmere.bham.sch.uk

yr1-contact@boldmere.bham.sch.uk

yr2-contact@boldmere.bham.sch.uk

Lunchtime Playleader Vacancy

We are looking to recruit a lunchtime playleader to join our lunchtime staff in Boldmere Infant and Nursery School. The post is for five days per week, 1 hour 10 minutes per day with an approximate start of 12.10pm. If you enjoy working (and playing!) with children, and would like to support our fantastic lunchtime team, please contact the school for further details.

PTA News

Dear Parents/Carers,
Please consider visiting our "Boldmere Book Swap" after school this Friday (3rd March).

- At the Training Room entrance (between the two schools)
- Bring a book and exchange it for another for free
- Purchase a book for suggested donation of 50p
- All proceeds will go to the PTA and will benefit children at both schools
- Friday 3rd March from 3pm



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Boldmere Inclusion Base News From Mrs Preece:

Congratulations

Harper Rose in Giraffes, for bring an absolute superstar all week.

Aleen in LK, for a super effort in phonics and spelling.

James in LK, for a super effort in phonics and spelling.

Jake in KM, for facing each day with a positive attitude.

Attendance for the week beginning February 13th

Giraffes 80%

LK 91.43%

KM 85.71%

Well done LK!!

Notices

PE Kits

Please ensure that any PE kit you bring to school has your child's names in.

World Book Day

A reminder that the BIB children will be taking part in the world book day activities on Thursday 2nd March. Costume details have been in the last two newsletters.

Book Fair

The Book Fair will be in the Infant Hall for the week beginning March 6th.

Morning routine

Please drop off your children at the bottom of the BIB gate and pass any messages directly to the staff members who are outside, rather than entering the building, as this can unsettle some of the children in the BIB.

Busy Bodies

Welcome back to all our Busy Bodies families, we hope that you have had a brilliant half term break.

February fees-Kindly check your child's ParentPay account to ensure that you February fees are paid and up to date. We are today entering all voucher payments made over the half term holidays; so please do not worry if you have already made these payments via vouchers.

After entering the update voucher payments the Busy Bodies Manager will politely send out any final payment reminders should there be any regarding February fees. Please note that fees are to be paid a month in advance, not after care has been provided.

NEU Teacher strike day- Please note that this Wednesday 1st March will be a teacher strike day, if your child was initially booked in for this Wednesday we will shortly reimburse this payment to your child's ParentPay account. These fees can be used towards your March/ April payment.

March booking form and fees- Please note that March booking form is due in this Wednesday 1st March and fees by this Friday 3rd March. Some parents have opted to hand in their April booking form at the same time as their March and this is fine to do so at your own discretion.

Booking forms with no names on- We have received a few booking forms this month with no names on (both March and April). We have tried to cross-reference them with previous months booking form, however we have had no luck in associating it with any of our children.

One booking form was handed to a member of staff on Monday morning during the school drop off. Kindly inform the Busy Bodies Manager should you believe that one of these forms might belong to your child.

Red nose day- Just Giving page- We have decided to set up a Just Giving page for Red nose day which will be on 17th March 2023. May we take this opportunity to ask all parents where possible to help support us to raise as much as we can for this vital charity organisation.

As part of our agenda to raise funds, starting from Next Monday 6th March the Busy Bodies children and staff will all be doing a mile a day in our school playground for 10 days and we will be having a cake sale during the week commencing 13th March.

Please keep an eye out in the newsletter next week for more information regarding the JustGiving Page. We may even send out a Parent mail later this week regarding as a reminder, we really appreciate your support for raising funds for this fantastic cause.

Thank you for your continued support.

Mrs S Kenny
Head of School
28/02/2023