



NEWSLETTER - FEBRUARY 3

Dear Parents

World Book Day - Thursday 1st March

To celebrate World Book Day this year we are asking children to come to school dressed as a character from their favourite book (but still in sensible shoes please)!

Celebrating Attendance

Congratulations to 1H, Turtle Class and 2T, Owl Class for having the best attendance in school last week (99.33%). Well done Turtles and Owls!

Parentmail Update

Please note that Parentmail will only be used for communication of text messages and emails. ParentPay should continue to be used for making any payments for school trips and clubs etc. Please also note that even if you have more than one child at different schools as long as each school holds the same email address for you and both are using the latest version of ParentMail (PMX) you can receive all communications to the same account as it is the email address that is registered and not the child.

Relax Kids

Year Two have an opportunity to take part in taster sessions with "Relax Kids" for the next three weeks. The sessions will support children in relaxation, breathing and stretching techniques and aim to improve and develop well-being in all our pupils. We are very fortunate to have been offered these sessions funded by the Sports Premium grant. We shall feedback our evaluation of the programme in the next few weeks. For more information please visit their website www.relaxkids.com.

Parking Outside School

We would like to express our sincere thanks and gratitude to all parents/carers who park considerately when driving their children to school. It has been pleasing to see a reduction in the number of cars parking on the double yellow lines, which has led to a safer experience for children crossing the road at this point. Your co-operation in keeping these double yellow lines clear is very much appreciated.

We are, of course, aware of the difficulties of parking around the school. We again urge you to respect local residents who need access to their houses via their drop-down kerbs. Many thanks for your support!

Congratulations Board

Well done to these children for being nominated by their teachers:

Reception

Loganjay, Alice, Harry, Joseph, Emma, Jaskarun

Year 1

Jake, Harrison, Leo

Year 2

Lillymay, Claudia, Orlaith

Rescheduled Parent's Evening for Class 1H

The cancelled parent's evenings have been rescheduled as follows:

- 28th February - 3:40 to 4:50pm (first come, first served basis - please call school office to book),
- 5th March - 3:00 to 4:50pm
- 6th March - 3:30 to 4.50pm (letters have been sent home today)



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Parents Evening Feedback Forms

The deadline for returning feedback forms is Friday 2nd March. Thank you to all those who have already returned their forms.

PTA News

A huge thank you to the Harvester in Boldmere. Over 20 excited pupils (and teachers) went and had a delicious breakfast as their prize for selling Christmas Fair raffle tickets. Everyone had a ball and filled their bellies. The Harvester was amazing (as always) and super generous for our kids. Look out for another chance to win with Easter approaching.

The Elfridges store will be opening its doors again in a few weeks for Mother's Day. Your kids will be able to get a gorgeous gift for their fabulous mums. Presents will be wrapped and kids will write their own labels to bring home ready for the special day. Get your vouchers (to exchange for gifts at the store) online at <https://goo.gl/cP86MN>.

Reception Health Screening

The NHS will be measuring the height and weight of the Reception children and testing their hearing on Wednesday 28th February and Thursday 1st March (parents are not required to attend). All children will be checked unless you have informed the school that you **do not** wish your child to take part.

Inspire Workshops - Change of Date for Reception Workshop

Please accept our apologies but the Reception workshop is now on Tuesday 27th March instead of Tuesday 6th March 2018.

The dates remain unchanged for Year One and Year Two as follows:
Year One - 14th March
Year Two - 22nd March

Heating Failure/ Severe Weather and School Closure



In the unlikely event of a Local Authority decision to close Birmingham schools, a message will be broadcast through Radio WM, Free Radio and will also be put on the City Council disruption website and social media. In the case of a specific problem such as a heating failure at our school, a decision will be taken in consultation with the Chair of Governors and announced on the aforementioned radio stations. We will also contact parents who are registered with Parentmail via text message and email and information will be displayed on the school website.

Purple Pinkie Day

Thank you to everyone who dressed up and donated to Purple Pinkie Day to support our local Rotary Club in their aim to eradicate polio across the globe. We raised an amazing £190.90!

Busy Bodies - Important Notices

Please ensure that you have picked up and paid for your March booking fees, the last date for payment is **FRIDAY 2nd March**. Booking forms are available at the Busy Bodies desk and online at the Federation of Boldmere Schools website.

Can we advise parents to check your child's Parentpay account to ensure that any outstanding fees are settled immediately as there are still a number of fees outstanding from February? Should you have any queries about your child's account please do not hesitate to contact us.

Mrs S Kenny
Head of School
27th February 2018