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Dear Parents/Carers

Cure Leukaemia Sponsored Camp Out

This weekend saw the second year of our sponsored camp out for Cure Leukaemia. We hope that everyone enjoyed the camp-out packs that Mrs. Long and Mrs. Mahon prepared for you! A big shout out to Tesco at New Oscott who donated the pens and pencils for each pack. Thank you to all children and families who really got behind the event - it was lovely to see the photographs on our twitter account. Staff enjoyed an afternoon of games and tea and cakes, and then an evening BBQ with toasted marshmallows! Camping under the stars was fantastic, and we did not even let the odd rain shower dampen our spirits. Our total raised is currently £1573! The Just Giving page will remain active until the end of term so please feel free to share the link or donate if you would like to.

<https://www.justgiving.com/fundraising/boldmere-infants-and-st-nicholas-school-s>

Celebrating Attendance

Congratulations to Owl class- 1T for achieving 98% attendance last week. Well done!

National Sports Week

Winning poster designs are Vienne(2PB), Zaeem (2M), Cieanne(RH) and Ruth(RK). Congratulations to all four winners for the great posters!

Celebration Evening Tuesday 12th July

We are looking forward to our first in-person celebration evening for 2 years! You are invited to your child's classroom any time between 3:45-6:15. Children are also invited so that they can share with you the amazing work that they have done this year. You will have the opportunity to celebrate your child's achievements on one of our 'proud clouds'. You will also be able to pop and say hello to your child's new class teacher and see their new classroom. No appointments are necessary.

Aerial Drone Photograph

As part of our ongoing Jubilee celebrations, we are having an aerial photograph of the whole school taken on Friday 8th July. The plan is that the children will stand in their year groups to create a Union Flag design.

One of our parents is a professional drone photographer (Beacon Heights Digital - Approved Drone Pilot) and has very kindly agreed to do this for us free of charge.

We are asking children to wear colours in year groups so that we can easily create the design. On Friday 8th July, please send your child wearing the following colour top:

Reception: Red

Year One: Blue

Year Two: White

Thank you in advance for your co-operation. We are looking forward to seeing a super photograph which we will display in school as a celebration of the Jubilee.

Diary Dates-

Thursday 7th July- Nursery celebration day.

Friday 8th July- School closing at 2.30pm to facilitate the return of the summer fayre.

Tuesday 12th July- Celebration evening 3.45pm-6.15pm.

Wednesday 13th July- Year 2-Year 3 information evening at Junior school 5.30pm. Parents only.

Friday 15th July- Year 2 end of year performance in the Junior school at 2pm.

Wednesday 20th July- Pupils break up for summer holidays.

Thursday 21st July- Professional Development Day - school closed to all pupils.

Monday 5th September & Tuesday 6th September- Professional Development Days - school closed to all pupils.

Wednesday 7th September- School re-opens to Year 1, Year 2 & the BIB.

Monday 12th September- New Reception children start part time.

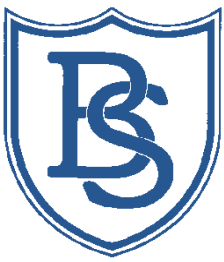
Tuesday 13th September- New nursery children start staggered intake.

Monday 19th September- New Reception children start full time.

Friday 21st October- Break up for half term holidays.

Reports

These will be sent home on Thursday 7th July.



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Transition Information

You will have received a parentmail yesterday afternoon, detailing new classes for September. Children will all take part in transition activities during Wednesday 6th July, where they will meet their new teachers and spend the day in their new classrooms. Photographs of staff members in each year group have been uploaded onto the website this afternoon. Further information and classroom photos will be uploaded at the end of the week. Please use the Transition tab and then the appropriate year group.

Eco Day

What a fantastic day we had yesterday! The children all looked amazing in green for our eco day. We learnt about recycling and why it is important. The school council did an excellent job of collecting the recycling from the classrooms and office for Mr Rollason. Year Two school councillors visited their partner Reception class and talked to the children about recycling. Well done everyone!

National Dental Survey - Thursday 14th July

The NHS will be in school conducting a dental survey on all 5 year olds on this day. Information has been sent to parents of all children involved via Parentmail. If you consent to your child taking part the consent form needs to be returned to the office by Friday 8th July.

Reading And Library Books

As we are approaching the end of the year, all library and reading books need to be returned to school. Next week, children will take home a reading book after they have read in school and this will be the last one that they will take home this year. Please can we ask that you check at home for any school books that you may have acquired over the year and return them by Friday 15th July. Thank you!

Summer Reading Challenge

Today Helen Sharp from Boldmere library came and spoke to the children about this year's summer reading challenge. It encourages children to keep reading over the summer holidays to help maintain their reading skills and confidence. Let's see if we can be this year's winning school with the most children taking part! The Summer Reading Challenge encourages children aged 4 to 11 to read six books during the long summer holiday. Children can read whatever they like - fact books, joke books, picture books, audio books - just as long as they are borrowed from the library.

Children receive special rewards each time they finish a book and there's a certificate and medal for everyone who completes the Challenge.

Why not pop into Boldmere Library to join this year's scheme? It runs from 9th July until 10th Sept. You can join any time during this period, it costs nothing! Boldmere Library is open: Tuesday, Thursday & Saturday 9am-1pm 2pm-5pm.

Nursery September 2022

We still have a few Nursery places available. If you know of or have a child whose date of birth is between 01/09/18 and 31/08/19 who may be interested in a place, please contact the school office on 0121 464 2338 for further information.

Milk Letters

- Milk letters were sent home yesterday for the autumn term.
- Order forms and payment via Parentpay must be received by **9am on Wednesday 13th July** at the very latest. Spare letters can be obtained from the school office.

Cello Lessons

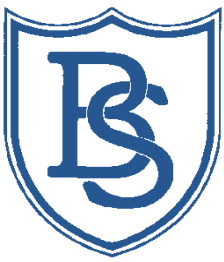
Last Wednesday we welcomed Kate Sidhu from Birmingham Music Service to school for a special Cello recital.

Kate will be working with us next year, teaching Cello to year 1 children. We are very excited to have her joining us and working alongside Louis Robinson and our violinists!

Letters of expression of interest will be sent to all current Reception children this week.

Violin Lessons

Letters of expression of interest will be going home with all current year 1 children this week for Violin lessons next year.



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Boldmere Inclusion Base News

From Mrs Preece:

Celebrations

Zak James in Giraffes for all round good effort this week.

James in LK for fantastic effort in PE. Super team work too.

Cole in ED for helping others and sharing.

Other news

Thank you for coming along to the Coffee Afternoon. It was good see you all. There will be further opportunities next year for more meet ups.

Giraffe class had a lovely visit to Boldmere Library last week. ED will be going along on Thursday for their visit.

On Friday this week, the BIB children should be collected at 2.15 please. This is in preparation for the School fair that begins at 3.00.

On Tuesday July 12th 3.15-5.45, a reminder that it is 'Celebration Evening'. The Teachers will be available for you to talk to and for you to look through your child's books. No appointments are necessary as this is a 'drop in' style evening.

Congratulations Board

Reception-Lyra, Nanakpreet, Aly, Theodore, Leo & Millie-Rose.

Year One - Orla, Gursimran & Harry.

Year Two - Georgia, Clara & Joel.

Newsletter:

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

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

Busy Bodies

July booking form and payment- Please be aware that there are several payments still outstanding for June/ July's fees. Please check your child's ParentPay account to ensure that your balance is up to date and cleared. July fees will be debited on Wednesday 6th July to include any extra sessions in June.

September booking forms and fees- Your form will be required by Wednesday 15th July to ensure that we have accurate registers for our return to school in the new academic year. We are aware that your form may be subject to change and we are happy to action this in September. We have had a few queries with regards to when fees will be required for September, fees must be paid prior to care being provided and by no later than 31st August, should you have any queries with regards to this please do not hesitate in contacting the Busy Bodies Manager.

Registration fees-to hold your child's place for the new academic year, your registration fees should have been paid by last Friday 1st July.

End of year party- We will be celebrating with all our lovely children and on Wednesday 6th July we will be hosting a sports afternoon in light of the upcoming Common Wealth games for the children to engage in. Please be aware that as a one off parents will be allowed onsite on the school field when collecting their children, children will be doing a variety of sports such as netball, archery, table tennis, volley ball, cycling etc and we would love for our parents/carers to come and participate too.

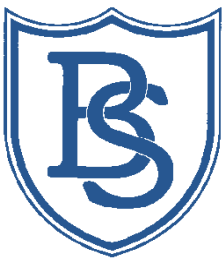
Health and Safety- Please remind children to bring along their sunhats, sun creams and water to keep them cool and refreshed throughout the day. If possible children are welcome to bring in something sporty to wear when they attend Busy Bodies.

Parent info- Please be reminded that the last day for pupils in school will be Wednesday 20th July, this will be the same date for Busies.

We have a few parents who have booked their children in on Thursday 21st which will be Teacher Training Day- and Friday 22nd National Bank holiday, we will adjust your booking form fees accordingly for these above days.

Open evenings- Monday 11th July to Wednesday 13th July- from 4:15pm. We have extended our open evenings to also accommodate our current infant parents who have not yet had the opportunity to look around Busies setting.

Thank you for your kind attention to the above notices



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PTA News

Next PTA Meeting

Please join us tonight at 8:15pm for the next online PTA Meeting. We will be discussing where we are financially in terms of supporting the Big Summer Fundraiser for the Junior play equipment, the Summer Fair and plans for the next academic year. If you wish to join, please email boldmere.pta@gmail.com so that we can share the Zoom login details with you.

Boldmere PTA Summer Fair

We are excited for the return of the PTA Summer Fair this Friday 8th July 3-5pm. The Fair is an opportunity for the school community to get together, have fun and raise money for the PTA. We have organised lots of exciting stalls including fun games (run by Year 6 children), food and drinks (including licensed bar), tombolas, raffles, inflatables and much more. Please bring pocket money and we will also accept card payments at some of the stalls. Large inflatables - wristbands will cost £5 and will allow your child unlimited access.

Friday 8th July - PTA representatives will be collecting donations for the Fair in the morning.

Infant School children have been asked to wear either red, white, or blue for the whole school photograph. Please could we also ask children to bring in a box (plain or decorated) containing a gift item worth at least £1 (sweeties, toys, chocolate, a book, craft items, etc). The boxes are for the very popular Deal or No Deal stall.

Deadline for raffle tickets is Wednesday 6th July. Please return your stubs and money in a labelled envelope (child's name, class and PTA raffle) or any unsold tickets to the school office. There is a prize for the child who sells the most tickets.

We need volunteers please: Are you able to help at all at the Summer Fair?

- After drop-off on Friday morning
- From 1pm on Friday
- For an hour to run a stall (3-4pm or 4-5pm)
- From 5pm to help tidy up after the Fair

If you can help at any of these times, please let your PTA class rep know, or send an email to boldmere.pta@gmail.com Thank you!

Thank you for your generosity helping with all the donations we have received and thank you in advance for supporting the Summer Fair on the day.

Mrs S Kenny
Head of School
05/07/2022