



NEWSLETTER - JULY 3



Dear Parents/Carers

Thank You From Mrs. Kenny

First and foremost can I say a thank you to all children, families, staff and Governors for another great year at Boldmere. Children, you have been amazing! You have achieved so many things this year and your teachers and I are all very proud of you. Parents, as ever, we thank you for your support and look forward to continuing your child's educational journey together. Finally, a word of thanks to my staff. It never ceases to amaze me the commitment that they show to Boldmere. Children are always at the forefront of everything they do and they are a fantastic team of individuals. Boldmere would not be Boldmere without their continued hard work and efforts - it's not just a job to them, it's so much more than that. I would also like to send thanks to Governors for their continued support throughout another year.

Staff Changes

We are saying a sad goodbye to Miss. Harris today, as she moves home and begins new ventures in the Autumn. Miss. Harris has been at Boldmere for the last 5 years and we will miss her enthusiasm (and her staff exercise classes!) greatly. Good luck Miss. Harris! We would like to welcome back Mrs. Mason after her maternity leave and say good luck to Mrs. Silverton who has begun her maternity leave this week. Mr. Bell will also be leaving to begin teacher training but I am sure we will be seeing him during the year when he completes his placements. Mrs. Wheeler and Miss. Handy are joining us full time in September. They are currently working with us in school, so I am hoping they are well known to parents already.

Diary Dates-

- 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.
- Monday 31st October-** School re-opens to all pupils.
- Friday 16th December-** Break up for Christmas holidays.
- Tuesday 4th January 2023 -** Professional Development Day- school closed to all pupils.
- Wednesday 5th January 2023-** School re-opens to all pupils.

Data For End Of Year Statutory Assessments

Statutory Assessments July 2022	
Early Years Foundation Stage Profile	75.6% Good Level of Development (GLD)
Year One Phonics	95.7%
Year 2 SATs	
Reading	75.6% expected and above
Writing	64.4% expected and above
Maths	72.2% expected and above

Celebrating Attendance

Congratulations to Parrot class- 2S for achieving 99% attendance last week. Well done!

Attendance Picnic

Congratulations to 2S who will be joining Mrs. Kenny, Mr. Sadler and Junior winners for an attendance picnic tomorrow morning. Well done Year 2!



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PE Kits

In September we will be reverting back to pre-covid PE lessons, where on PE days, children will change for PE in their classrooms. Please send children to school wearing their uniforms each day and staff will supervise changing for lessons. PE bags are available from the school office and payment is via parentpay. PE kits are blue shorts and white t-shirts, with black pumps. Outdoor PE kits (for Y1 and Y2 only) are black/blue tracksuits and white t-shirts with trainers. Please name all items of PE kit.

Celebration Evening

What a lovely evening this was last Tuesday. It was so nice to see children proudly sharing their work with their families. There was a real celebratory feel to the evening! Children will be bringing home a selection of their exercise books this week. Current books will be sent to the new class teachers and will be given out in the Autumn term.

Firemen Visit

Reception and Year 2 had some very special visitors in school on Monday! Firefighters with their fire engine came to tell us all about their job and how they keep people safe. We explored the fire engine, had a go at spraying the hose and even got to try on some uniform. Thank you Mr Worthington for arranging this visit. The children absolutely loved it!

Summer Reading Challenge

The Summer Reading Challenge is run by the local libraries. 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.

PTA Thanks

I would like to extend a personal message to Mel and Jo, who for many years have been our PTA chair and secretary respectively. As their children leave Junior school this year, they are stepping down from these roles. Mel and Jo have worked tirelessly to raise money for school, put on amazing events each year, and I have loved working with them. On behalf of all Boldmere children and staff, we send our gratitude and thanks.

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.

Missing Scooter

A scooter has gone missing from the bike/scooter shelter. It is a brand new blue scooter and it has 2 wheels on the front which have white LED lights. Please contact the school office with any information.

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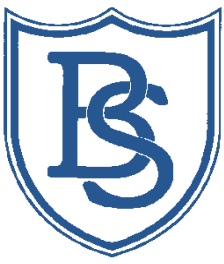
The weekly newsletter can also be found on the school website:
<https://www.boldmere.bham.sch.uk>

Congratulations Board

Reception-Dylan, Iziah, Mia, Evie, Theo, Adam, Archie, Bella, Belle, Rupert & Caleb.

Year One - Zara, Ayana & Seren.

Year Two - Isabella, Ismene & Joel.



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Busy Bodies News

Thank you board-

A note to say a huge thank you to all the lovely families who came to our Open Evenings last week, it was wonderful showing you and your little ones around our club. We hope that you enjoyed seeing what your little ones do whilst accessing our provision. We look forward to welcoming all our new starters in September.

Please note that your September fees are not due in until the last day of August being Wednesday 31st. All new Reception children will be given their ParentPay login when we return to school and we will then be able to assign them to the Busy Bodies payment items.

University research project-

Thank you to Jenna Catton (University student) who has been conducting her Masters research project at Busy Bodies- this research was to help Jenna have a better understanding of whether there is a gap in the market between the transition from picture books to chapter books and the influences this has on children reading books in their own time.

Jenna will return in September to give us a snap shot of the conclusion to her research, as a thank you for the children engaging in her research Jenna has been able to provide signed books from her Tutor and Author Michael Rosen for the children to take home.

Well done to the children who took part in this survey: Year 2's- Georgia, Saffron, Denver

Year 3's- Sophie, Hettie and all the other children who initially took part in the research project.

Year 6 leavers-

A sad farewell to all our year 6 leavers, you have all been a credit to our school and club and we wish you all the very best with all your future ventures. All the staff and children at Busy Bodies will miss you all very much.

Polite reminders-

A reminder that due to the very hot weather, we will also be limiting the time our children spend outside but will provide a more chilled atmosphere with movies, games and lighter activities for the children to engage with along with along with ice creams/ lollies.

Children will return to school on Wednesday 7th September and we look forward to welcoming you all back. Have a fantastic summer break to all our families, and thank you for all your constant support throughout the year. Your kind thoughts and wishes to our staff are greatly appreciated by all our staff members!

Happy Summer holidays everyone.

Boldmere Inclusion Base News From Mrs Preece:

Well, what lovely weather to finish off the term. I do hope that it continues for us into the Summer break. The last 6 months for me have flown by and want to thank you all for your support. I look forward to what is to come in the new academic year.

The children have worked so hard. It has been a pleasure getting to know each and every one of them.

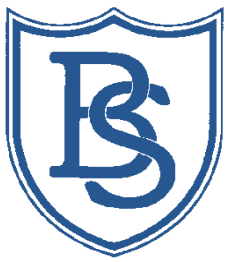
The staff and children have enjoyed taking part in so many different events and occasions with both the Infants and the Junior schools. From listening to Toscana Strings play, taking part in Autism Acceptance Month, Jubilee celebrations, watch Professor Brainstorm, ED going swimming, the theatre trip and community trip to the library it really has been a fun packed year.

Over the Summer have a fabulous time. Make memories and enjoy being able to get out and about again. There is no set homework for the children. However, please do take advantage of the reading books online and the library's Summer reading challenge. If you visit any interesting places or take any photographs that the children would like to share with us in September, we would love to see them.

Celebrations

I would like to celebrate all of the BIB children and staff this week for their continued hard work and hope that they all have a well-deserved break.

Happy Holidays



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PTA News

Summer Fair Rainbow Auction

Thank you to everyone who placed bids on the beautiful Rainbow Auctions which were made up from your generous donations. Winners have been contacted with details on how to collect their hampers. Congratulations to all the winners.

PTA Ice Cream Shop

We have now sold out of all ice cream stock and are pleased to announce that this term we raised a fantastic £1,200 from ice cream sales. A big thank you to everyone who has supported us in buying ice creams and slushies - and a HUGE thank you to the incredible ice cream team for the many hours they have volunteered buying the ice cream stock, setting up, selling ice creams and cashing up.

School Uniform Donations

We are pleased to announce that our Boldmere Pre-Loved Uniform Shop raised over £500 for the PTA, as well as recycling over 300 items of clothing. Thank you so much to everyone who donated their items and used the shop to purchase items. Also a huge THANK YOU goes to the PTA Uniform Team who have spent many hours sorting uniform, liaising with customers, picking orders and setting up pop-up shops. If you are having a clear out over the Summer Holidays, please consider holding on to used uniform until we can receive donations again in September. Please note, the online shop will be closed until September, thank you.

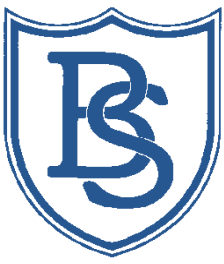
End of Year Thanks

This week we say Goodbye to parents who are leaving us as their children move on to secondary school. We want to take this opportunity to thank them for their contributions and time over their years with us. An extra special thank you is reserved for those who have helped make the PTA the huge success it is today. This year we're losing PTA members who have been heavily involved in running the PTA for several years. Without volunteers like these, giving up hundreds of hours of their own spare time, the PTA would not exist and would not raise the funds we do for the school. THANK YOU!

Big Boldmere Summer Fundraiser

We are so delighted to announce that the proceeds from the Rainbow Hampers and Ice cream sales this week have taken our BBSF above the £10k target! This is such an incredible achievement to raise this amount of money in such a short space of time! Huge congratulations to everyone who has contributed in whatever way! We can't wait to see the new play equipment in September!





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Art Competition For Children And Young People With Additional Needs

SEND services are running an art competition over the summer holiday to get children and young people with additional needs in the creative mood and showcasing their lives. We are looking for images created by children and young people of themselves, their families, their friends and their interests. We want to include a selection on the [SEND Local Offer website](#)

over the next year, so that the website shows the creative talents of our children and young people in Birmingham, who they are and what they get up to.

The competition will run from now until 16th September and will be organised in the following age categories:

- Age 0-7
- Age 8-13
- Age 14+

We are looking for images (drawings, paintings, collage, computer generated etc. however they wish to create) on the following subjects:

- Me and my favourite games
- Me and my schoolwork
- Me and my family
- Me and my friends
- My journey to school
- Me and my additional need
- Me living my best life

There will be voucher prizes in each category and a child or young person may enter as many categories as they wish. Please email entries or queries to: info@localofferbirmingham.co.uk or post to PO Box 16289, Birmingham, B2 2XN.

Please label each drawing with the child or young person's name and age and please include contact details if you wish the artwork to be entered into the competition. We will not be able to return artwork and will label any submissions we use on the website and social media using only the child or young person's first name and age.

Contacting School

Please can we remind you that if you need to contact school regarding attendance please call the school office on 0121 464 2338 or email enquiry@boldmere.bham.sch.uk

Email addresses for correspondence specific to your child's class/year group, to support with teaching and learning are:

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

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