

NEWSLETTER - July 3

Thank you from Mrs. Kenny- First and foremost, on this our final newsletter for this year, I would like to say a thank you to all children, families, staff, Governors and the PTA 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. Governors continue to volunteer and carry out their vital role, providing challenge and support to myself and the Senior Leadership Team. PTA have had another very busy but productive year, raising funds for school and providing those little extra curriculum opportunities for your children. Finally, a word of thanks to my staff, who work tirelessly and show commitment to Boldmere day in and day out. Children are always at the forefront of everything they do and they make a great team. Boldmere would not be Boldmere without their hard work and efforts - it's not just a job for them, it's more than that.

Celebration evening - what a great night this was! I was absolutely amazed to see the number of children and families who attended school last week! It was a hugely successful evening and I saw lots of proud children and parents leaving the building. A reminder that children will be bringing home their exercise books on Wednesday so please provide a carrier bag to help with the safe delivery of all items.

School photographs - These have been delivered and were distributed to classes yesterday. Please check your child's book bag if you have placed an order.

Bibi The Boldmere Bull - will hopefully be making an appearance in Boldmere High Street on Wednesday this week. Please look out for our art work and join the fun of the "Bulls in the City Trail" during the summer months. For more information visit Birmingham Hospice website.

Facebook <https://birminghamhospice.cmail19.com/t/y-l-qzvz-hdliurlyo-u/>
Instagram <https://birminghamhospice.cmail19.com/t/y-l-qzvz-hdliurlyo-k/>

Reminder that tomorrow we are celebrating **South Asian Heritage Month**. As mentioned in last week's newsletter, children may wear something specific to their culture and Heritage. This may mean a traditional Chinese outfit or a kilt for the Scottish. A parent kindly phrased this a "**dress up**" day and it would be lovely to see traditional costumes/clothes worn to celebrate our diverse school community. Normal uniform applies if children do not have any 'traditional' items to wear.

Finally, we wish all of our families a **happy and safe summer break** and we look forward to seeing you on Wednesday 3rd September.

Medicines will be returned on Friday next week. Please check any expiry dates and ensure that new items are ready for our return to school in September. Year Two parents will need to complete new consent forms at the Junior School in September.

Friday 18th July - Break up for the summer holidays

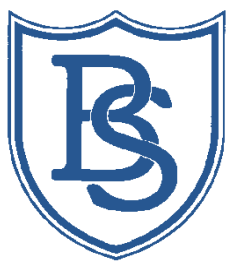
Monday 1st & 2nd September - Professional Development Day.
School closed to pupils

Wednesday 3rd September - School re-opens

Goodbyes I would like to make one final expression of thanks to **Mr Glasgow**. As you are all aware, he will be retiring at the end of this week and I would like to say "thank you" from everyone at Boldmere Infant school, for his direction and support during his time as Executive Head. Mr Glasgow has provided guidance and support across the Federation of Boldmere Schools and he will be greatly missed. I am sure that like us, you wish him a happy retirement and if anyone is a keen golfer, look out for him on the 19th hole! Good luck Mr Glasgow.

We also say goodbye to both **Mrs Long** and **Mrs Dale**. They have both been part of the Boldmere family for many years and they will be missed. Throughout their time at Boldmere they have both been instrumental in providing our nurturing environment - Mrs Dale with her smile in the office, and Mrs Long with her direct line to the tooth fairy. We wish them both a very happy retirement, spending time with their families and young grandchildren.

This week we say good bye and thank you to **Mrs Preece** who has been our BIB lead. We wish her every success in her new role. Mrs Copely, one of our playleaders finally hangs up her pinny. We wish her a very happy retirement. We would also like to say thank you to **Mrs Taylor** for stepping into Year Two this year and wish her the very best at her new school.



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The Reading Agency - Summer Reading Challenge

As usual, we are encouraging all children to complete the Summer Reading Challenge. This is a national event that organised by 'The Reading Agency'. This year's theme is 'Story Garden'. More information can be found on the attached letter from the library.

To sign up to the challenge, please visit <https://summerreadingchallenge.org.uk/>

or alternatively pop into Boldmere Library between the **5th July and 13th September** and you can sign up there. Boldmere Library is open on **Tuesdays and Saturdays between 9am-1pm and 2pm-5pm.**

Any children who complete the challenge can bring in their rewards to share their achievements with their class in September. Happy reading!



Year 2 Librarians

A huge thank you to the Year 2 Librarians who have tirelessly kept the school library tidy. Your hard work has been appreciated by the whole school!

School Council 2024-25

A big thank you to our wonderful school council representatives; Mila, James, Elsie P, Mickey, Elisha, Lewis, Elsie T, Oliver, Samuel, Orla, Evie and Miles. They have worked hard with Mrs Mason supporting lunch play times with various activities for children to participate in, delivered poppies for our Poppy Appeal and represented the school by welcoming visitors for special occasions.

Nursery Places - Available

We still have nursery places available for **September 2025**.

If you know of anyone who may be interested in a nursery place then please get them to call us on **0121 464 2338**.

Library books and reading books



Please can you ensure that all library books and reading books have been returned to school as soon as possible!
Thank you!

Y1 & Y2 Milk Letters for Autumn Term 2025

Milk letters were sent home last week for the current Reception and Year 1 children who wish to have milk in the Autumn term.

Order forms and payment via ParentPay must be received by **9am on Wednesday 9th July 2025** at the very latest.

Housekeeping reminders...

Children will be bringing home some of their exercise books and other work tomorrow so please supply a carrier bag to help ensure that they reach you safely! Please note that the children's current books get passed up to their new teacher for the children to continue working in. PE kits are also being sent home this week.

Allergies/food intolerances

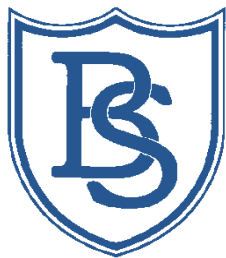
If your child has any allergies, please ensure that this information is added to School Grid (Dolce) when you register your child for school meals. This must be completed in addition to notifying the school office.

Dolce manage our lunch provision and it is parent's responsibility to provide food allergy information directly to Dolce via the online portal.

Parking around school

For reporting illegally parked vehicles, please follow the link....

https://www.birmingham.gov.uk/info/20109/parking/1983/report_an_illegally_parked_vehicle



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BIB Newsletter Week beginning 14th July 2025

Please remember that **Sports Day** is **Wednesday 16th July**.

We look forward to seeing you on that afternoon at your designated time for your child's class.

Please come to your respective schools to sign in.

Giraffe Class 1.15pm - 1.45pm (Infants)

ED Class 1.50 - 2.20pm (Infants/Juniors)

LK Class 2.20 - 2.50pm (Juniors)

Our **BIB Garden Party** on the afternoon of **Thursday 17th July** will be a chance for all the staff, children and parents to get together before we break up for the summer.

Parents to arrive for 2.15 please, again go to your child's respective schools to sign in please.

Absences

An important reminder about absence requests and penalty notices for unauthorised absences.

The Education Legal Intervention Team have notified school that they have now begun to issue penalty notices (fines) for unauthorised absences. Please note that fines are issued to **BOTH PARENTS** and **BOTH PARENTS** must pay the penalties.

Failure to pay the penalty notice, will result in the matter proceeding to court and could potentially lead to a criminal record.

Attendance - updated processes

Our amended Attendance Processes have been circulated via Parent Mail, including request for absence forms.

Please can we remind all parents/carers that you need to call (01214642338) or email

enquiry-inf@boldmere.bham.sch.uk before **9am** in the morning if your child is going to be absent from school (illness or Religious Observance) or if they are going to be late for any reason.

If we have not heard from you then a call will be made to you as part of our responsibility to safeguard children. Thank you.

Medical Appointments

A reminder that if your child will be absent from school, arrives late or has to leave early due to a medical appointment we do need to see some evidence in the school office. We will need to keep a copy of this to support your child's medical attendance mark on the registers.

School Emails

The two separate email addresses for Infants/Juniors are:

enquiry-inf@boldmere.bham.sch.uk

enquiry-jun@boldmere.bham.sch.uk

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

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Newsletter:

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

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