Dear Parents/Carers,

Newsletter Urgent Message- End Of term arrangements

During the Summer term, we are usually preparing to welcome parents and children into school for various end of term celebrations. In light of the new Government 'roadmap' announced last night and directive from Dr Justin Varney on 12.6.21, we are unable to facilitate our normal face to face celebration evenings, end of year performances, sports days and transition sessions. It is with great sadness that all of the events have been cancelled however, we are arranging alternative events that will hopefully provide happy memories for all children and their parents/carers.

- Sports day events will take place for all children and will be filmed and uploaded onto Google classroom from 25 6 21
- At the end of term, each class will be having their own 'bubble' afternoon tea party where certificates of
 achievement will be awarded to children. These will be presented by class teachers and video clips will be
 uploaded onto Google classroom for you to view at home.
- Children's work books will form part of transition activities and will be sent home to parents in the Autumn term.
- We will inform parents and carers of their child's new class teacher on **Friday 2nd July**. This will be received via Parentmail. We have made the decision to keep children in their current classes, as we did last year. We are hoping that this will minimise any further disruption to children's education and aid transition for the next academic year.

From Friday 2nd July the website will have further information about new classes under the 'Transition' tab. (This will include; photographs of staff and video of classrooms.)

Please note that all Transition visits for new Nursery and New Reception parents and children are cancelled for the summer term. Further information will be sent to these parents separately this week.

Please see table below a summary of transition activities which will take place with the children during school times.

Nursery to Reception	Reception to Year 1	Year 1 to Year 2	Year 2 to Year 3
Our current nursery children will have the opportunity to visit the classroom that they will be in, in September and meet their new class teacher. Class teachers and teaching assistants will make contact with parents and carers, via telephone, on the date of the original 'stay and play' sessions (see below). This will be an opportunity to discuss your child's needs and interests.	Children will meet their new year one class teacher week beginning 5 th July and have a story with	Children will meet their new year two class teacher week beginning 5th July and have a story with	Children will meet their new year three teacher who will take them on a tour of the Junior school followed by a story in the storytelling garden. Year 2 and Year 3 class
RB: Monday 12 th July RK: Tuesday 13 th July RH: Wednesday 14 th July. Phone calls will be made between 9.30am- 12pm. Please note telephone calls will be made from a withheld number so please answer during these times.	them.	them.	teachers will meet before transition to share relevant information. Year 2 children to complete an 'All About Me' booklet for their new class teacher.



Covid-19 Reminder

We take this opportunity as COVID 19 cases are increasing to remind parents/carers of the following Government guidance:

If your child displays any Covid-19 symptoms you must book a PCR test and the whole family must selfisolate until you receive the results. You must inform the school of the illness in the first instance and then of the test results once received. Government advice also recommends that twice weekly lateral flow tests are carried out by families. These tests are to detect asymptomatic cases and show results within 30 minutes.

Parent Governor Vacancies

We confirm that we have received 8 nominations for the parent governor vacancies and therefore the voting will go to a ballot.

Attached to last week's newsletter was a letter explaining the ballot process, personal statements for all of the nominees and a ballot paper. Voting closes today, 15/06/2021 at 5pm. Ballot boxes are available in both Infant and Junior school reception areas for all votes.

Nursery September 2021

We still have a few Nursery places available. If you know of or have a child whose date of birth is between 01/09/17 and 31/08/18 who may be interested in a place, please contact the school office on 0121 464 2338 for further information.

Meerkat Class-2M

Can all children in Meerkat class - 2M, please wear their PE kit to school on Thursday as they will be having a practice session for sports day which is being held next week.

Nursery Sports Day – Monday 28th June 2021

Unfortunately due to recent changes in Birmingham guidance, we are no longer able to have parents/carers come and join us for Sports Day. We are sorry for any inconvenience; we were looking forward to sharing this special time with you. We will be taking plenty of photographs of the children doing their races and will put them on their learning journeys.

Diary Dates

Summer Term 2021
Tuesday 22nd June - Year One

sports day.

Wednesday 23rd June - Reception sports day.

Thursday 24th June - Year Two sports day.

Friday 2nd July- Nursery closed to current children.

Tuesday 20th July- Break up for summer holidays.

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

Autumn Term 2021 Thursday 2nd September-

Professional Development Day, school closed to all pupils.

Friday 3rd September- Professional Development Day, school closed to all pupils.

Monday 6th September- School reopens.

Friday 22nd October- Break up for half term holidays.

Monday 1st November- School reopens to all pupils.

Friday 17th December- Break up for Christmas holidays.

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:

<u>bib-contact@boldmere.bham.sch.uk</u> nursery-contact@boldmere.bham.sch.uk

reception-contact@boldmere.bham.sch.uk

yr1-contact@boldmere.bham.sch.uk

yr2-contact@boldmere.bham.sch.uk

Nursery

Nursery will be closed to current children on Friday 2nd July.

Free School Meal Vouchers For May Half Term Holiday.

A reminder that all voucher codes that were sent out for half term need to be claimed by 20^{th} June 2021.



Sponsored Camp-Out For Cure Leukaemia.

Staff and children at Boldmere Infant school and St. Nicholas Catholic school are joining together to support the Cure Leukaemia Foundation and raise money for vital research into childhood cancer. During this last year, a member of our Boldmere staff and their little boy, who attends St. Nicholas Catholic Primary school, have been through a diagnosis of Blood Cancer and have been supported by the Cure Leukaemia Foundation.

The charity provide fundamental research into blood cancer trials and they support not only the Haematology departments in the Midlands, but also provide support to 12 other clinics UK wide.

We are holding a "Camping for a Cure" sponsored event on Saturday 3rd July 2021, and would like children at school to participate too! Staff will be camping out for the evening and we are asking children to set up a camp too. This could be in their garden, in their bedroom or anywhere in their house! We are happy to see homemade tents in the living room, under sheets and blankets, or proper tents in the garden. We will be sending home some amazing camping activities for everyone, as well as a goodie bag for the camp-fire! These resources are being provided by staff and school, at no cost to children and families! However, we ask that you please support us by donating to the Just Giving page

https://www.justgiving.com/fundraising/campingforacure whether you can afford a small or large donation, all will be greatly appreciated.

Further details will be sent home week beginning 28th June.

Community News

Disclaimer - The following community events are for your information. Should you wish to obtain further information or attend, it is at parents' own discretion.

Sutton Coldfield Community Games

The Sutton Coldfield Community Games are back on July 10th and 11th at Wyndley Leisure Centre, 12pm - 5pm each day.

This year there will be a limit of 2000 people and 35 activities and the event is ticketed at £2.50 per person, with 3's and under free of charge

The Games team and sporting partners will be doing their very best to help everyone have a great community afternoon of fun, inspiration and medals!

For more information and to book tickets visit:

Facebook @communitygamescic

Website www.suttongames.co.uk

Internet https://www.trybooking.co.uk/BBOP

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Busy Bodies Newsletter

July/September booking forms/Parent contract form (updated for your signature) are now available to download from the school website or are available to collect from Busy Bodies or school reception. Your July booking form with your requirements, needs to be returned no later than Wednesday 23rd June. Your September booking form with your requirements, need to be with us no later than Wednesday 7th July

Payment of fees: fees for your July

bookings will be debited no later than Wednesday 30th June. Payment for July's fees must be made to Parent Pay no later than Friday 2nd July- Thank you.

Registration fees: Academic year Sept 2021/22. If you wish your children to continue attending Busy Bodies in September 2021, your annual registration fees must be paid no later than Friday 2nd July. Payments made after this date will not guarantee your child a place in September due to current numbers on our Waiting list.

New reception Children: The above payment deadlines do not apply to your children, as you have not as yet been assigned a username for Parent Pay. The Infant School will inform us once you have been issued with these and we will contact you again once we have assigned them to Busy Bodies registration fees and Busy Bodies before and after school club Parent Pay, to pay your monthly fees

Please do not hesitate to contact us if you need any further help or support.

Newsletter:

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

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



PTA NEWS

YEAR 2 - Celebrate the end of your child memorable journey through Infants School and the end of a challenging year by marking the occasion with this fabulous opportunity to purchase a very special leavers hoodie. Look out for the flyers going out in book bags. Orders can be made on www.pta-events.co.uk/Boldmere. These will only be on sale for 10 days so hurry, hurry, get your order in!! CLOSING DATE 25TH JUNE!! Buy now to avoid disappointment. Orders CANNOT be made after this date.

We are taking part again in the Parent Kind Big PTA Raffle. They are going to be running 12 draws over 6 days, between 12th July and 17th July 2021. For £3 you will get a ticket in all 12 draws. Every draw will give you the chance to win up to £5,000! The best news - 50% of your ticket sales goes straight to us and our kids. Please follow the link to our page - Boldmere School Raffle and buy your tickets before the 12th July. Buy now to avoid disappointment, at Christmas the tickets sold out well before the first draw date.

Thank you so much to everyone that purchased their Father's Day gifts from our Elfridges store. Your gifts will be delivered to the classrooms ready for that special day.

Thanks to everyone that has visited us at the ICE CREAM Freezer. We've seen lots of happy people. Please come and see us after school for a treat after school (as long as it's not raining). PLEASE NOTE - bring exact money (£1 or 50p) or a bankcard (contactless payments are a minimum spend of £1. We cannot accept a bank card payment for a 50p ice cream.) PLEASE NOTE - Our Ice cream sellers cannot give change so please bring the exact money or bank card.

Please see our social

media https://www.instagram.com/boldmerepta/ or get in touch through boldmere.pta@gmail.com if you have fundraising ideas or would like to join in. It is amazing to be part of the Boldmere family, we would love to hear from anyone who would like to get involved.

'Empties Please' Ink Cartridge Recycling

We are working with a company called 'Empties Please' who specialise in recycling of used cartridges. Their aim is to help schools raise funds and become greener in the process. They will collect all used ink and toner cartridges collected by the school and donate money straight back to the school. We also have the opportunity to earn 'green points' which can then be spent on 'green rewards' including seeds, gardening tools, Hedgehog boxes and bird feeders. Your child will be bringing home a recycle bag soon to collect any old ink cartridges in. You may save the bag for when you have some empties. They may be cartridges from home, work- place or family. Please send any empty cartridges into school in the recycle bags.

If you ever require more recycle bags, please ask at the school office.
For further information please follow the link; https://www.emptiesplease.com/

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