



NEWSLETTER - MARCH 1

Dear Parents

World Book Day

We had a great time celebrating World Book Day. The children looked fantastic in their costumes and they enjoyed stories and fun activities including a reading relay. Please remember to return the record sheet on Thursday so that we can work out which class has collectively read the most in the past week.

Science Week

Our science week began with the delivery of ten chicken eggs. We are looking forward to seeing them hatch and grow over the next two weeks. This Friday morning Reception are having a visit from Selwyn and his 'Science in a Suitcase'. We will be looking at bubbles and talking about their size and shape. Then we will be taking part in lots of activities involving colour, light and sound. Year One will be carrying out experiments with Reception and we will be testing materials.

New Arrival!

Congratulations to Benjamin (Nursery) and Isaac (Year One) on the birth of Mikhael, their new baby brother. Welcome to our school family!

Inconsiderate Parking

You may have noticed the presence of PCSO Satpal Singh yesterday afternoon outside the school gates. This visit yesterday was to observe the parking issues around school and give warning to those people who do park inconsiderately, i.e. in dangerous positions, on double yellow lines and blocking drives of local residents. PCSO Singh and his colleagues will be patrolling outside schools more regularly in future and prosecuting any offenders with fixed penalty fines of £100. We shall put the Birmingham City Council "Don't Plonk It, Park It!" leaflet on our school website. Please take heed of the parking advice and help to keep our children safe on the streets and pavements around school.

change 4 life

Change4Life is focusing on healthier snacking and Year One and Year Two children will be bringing a leaflet home inviting you to take part in their Family Snack Challenge. Please check your child's book bag.

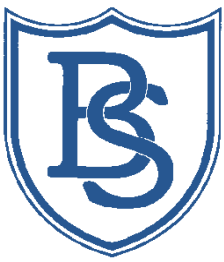
PTA News

The Elfridges store will be opening its doors Friday 9th March for Mother's Day gifts. Presents will be wrapped and children will write their own labels to bring home ready for the special day. Pay for gifts online at <https://goo.gl/cP86MN>. The deadline to buy presents is Thursday 8th March 2018.

A few parents are wrapping all the gifts on Wednesday (7th) after morning drop off. Please come and join us in the training room with your scissors and sellotape. We have tea, coffee and a good giggle. Then we are always asking for volunteers to help in the Elfridges shop. This is for a couple of hours on Friday (9th) straight after drop off. It's more the merrier so come and join in the fun.

Cricket Taster Session

Year One have had a great time trying out their cricket skills today! We have been lucky enough to have a taster session for the "All Stars Cricket" programme which is a programme run over the summer holidays for girls and boys aged 5-8. For more information please visit www.allstarscricket.co.uk



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Busy Bodies - Important Notices

Please be aware that March booking forms are now overdue, should you require any sessions for this month, please ensure you hand in your booking form and fees. If you do not require any bookings, please inform a member of staff.

There are currently over 40 booking forms stills outstanding. Unfortunately, we will not be able to provide care for these children without our form and fees, as we have to staff for the amount of children we are expecting. Please also ensure that all monies are paid to cover the balance on your child's Parentpay account and that you pay the accurate amount for your monthly fee.

DIARY DATES

- 14th March 18 - Year One Inspire Afternoon
- 22nd March 18 - Year Two Inspire Afternoon
- 26th March 18 - Year Two Trip to Ash End Farm
- 27th March 18 - Reception Inspire Afternoon (rearranged)
- 28th March 18 - Nursery Application Deadline
- 29th March 18 - Easter Bonnet parade
- 29th March 18 - Break Up for Easter Holiday
- 16th April 18 - School re-opens to pupils
- 3rd May 18 - Polling Day - School closed to pupils
- 7th May 18 - School closed for May Day Bank Holiday
- 25th May 18 - Break Up for Half Term Holiday

CHANCE

This month's group meeting is Thursday 15th March in St Michael's Church Hall, 9.00-10.15am (note earlier finishing time). It is an opportunity for parents and carers of children with additional, physical, emotional and/or developmental needs to meet over a drink to share their experiences and support one another within the local community of Boldmere. For further information contact Jeanette Nicholls Children's and Families' Missioner on mobile number 07492 474472.

Parent's Wellbeing Programme

This is a six week course to support parents in maintaining their own wellbeing when they are raising a child/children with additional needs. It is being offered free of charge by the Weaver and Young Foundation as a result of their receiving Lottery Funding. There are a number of places still available for anyone who can attend the six sessions on Thursday evenings 7.00-9.30pm (includes a 30 minute refreshment break) in the community room, The Harvester, Boldmere Road.

The dates are 19th April, 3rd May, 17th May, 7th June, 21st June, 5th July. Please contact Jeanette Nicholls to book places (mobile - 07492474472, jeanette.cfm@gmail.com).

Please see attached for general community information.

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Head of School
6th March 2018

