



# NEWSLETTER - MARCH 4

Dear Parents

## Easter Bonnet Parade - Thursday 29<sup>th</sup> March 2018

It's that time again! Be as creative and imaginative as you can (children not parents!) and come to school on Thursday 29<sup>th</sup> March wearing your Easter Bonnet. We shall have a parade around the playground as soon as children have been registered in the morning. Please stay and support if you can. Prizes will be given out during assembly. Good luck everyone.

## Nursery - Easter Bonnet Parade

A letter will be sent home from Nursery giving details of their Easter Bonnet parade. The parades will take place at 10:45am and 2:45pm.

## Lunchtime Clubs

Letters have been sent home giving information about lunchtime clubs starting next term. The closing date for applications is 9am on Thursday 29<sup>th</sup> March.

## School Meals

If any children wish to change their school meal arrangements after half term, please advise Mrs Moore in the school office by 28<sup>th</sup> March 2018.

## Barnaby Bear

Please write Mrs Kenny a letter if you would like Barnaby Bear to spend the Easter holidays with you and your family.

## Sutton Charities School Uniform Grants

The Trustees are again making awards to parents to assist with the purchase of school uniform. To be eligible for an award parents must be a permanent resident in one of the four wards of Sutton Coldfield and be in receipt of any of the following:

- Income Support
- Job Seeker's Allowance
- Employment and Support Allowance
- Child Tax Credit
- Working Tax Credit maximum income levels may apply)
- Guarantee Element of State Pension Credit

If parents have children at more than one school, it will only be necessary to complete one form per family. If you think you may be eligible, please collect a form from the school office. Forms must be returned to school by Friday 27<sup>th</sup> April 2018.

## Internet Safety Workshop

- Parents are invited to attend a further Internet Safety Workshop being held by PCSO Tracy Baker. This will be held on Wednesday 18<sup>th</sup> April 2018 at 2pm in **Junior** school.

## Celebrating Attendance

Congratulations to 1C, Hedgehog class and 1E, Parrot Class for having the best attendance in school last week (97.67%). Well done Hedgehogs and Parrots!

## Offer of Places

### Reception 2018 & Transfer from Y2 to Y3

The offer of places will be posted out or emailed on Monday 16<sup>th</sup> April by the Local Authority.

### Nursery 2018

The closing date for Nursery applications for this year is tomorrow (Wednesday 28<sup>th</sup> March) and places will be offered on Friday 27<sup>th</sup> April. Details of deadline dates for accepting places will be given in the offer letters. Please reply promptly.

## Congratulations

Well done to these children for being nominated by their teachers:

**Reception:** Samrath, Alayna, Isabelle, Carys, Charlie, Zara  
**Year 1:** Delphi, Benjamin, Iman  
**Year 2:** Julia, Annabel, Henry

## Milk Orders

The deadline for milk orders was Friday 23<sup>rd</sup> March and milk can only be ordered if payment has been received. To ensure your child receives milk on Monday 16<sup>th</sup> April please return any outstanding order forms and payment to the school office immediately.



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## PTA News

The sun has been shining! It can only mean one thing... FROZEN FUNDAYS! If the weather stays bright (and it doesn't rain) we will be selling ice creams in between the two schools. Priced at 50p and a £1. Please bring your change with you to enjoy a tasty treat at the end of a hard school day :)

We have LOADS of yummy chocolate!!! There are eggs and treats to be won. The PTA are holding an Easter Raffle. Tickets will be 50p each and the raffle will be drawn before we break up. You can buy your raffle tickets from the ice cream counter at school pick up.

Finally, the children will be coming home with an Easter present from the PTA. Please read the instructions below (these will also accompany the gift) and see how you can help us help the children.

## Busy Bodies - Important Notices

Please be aware that April booking forms and fees are now overdue, if you have not yet handed in your form please do so immediately. After today a £2.50 admin charge will be added to your child's account on Wednesday for late forms and fees unless other arrangements have been made with the manager.

Please also check your child's ParentPay account over the next week to ensure that their account remains in a cleared balance and no debts are on account. Should you have any queries with regards to your fees, please contact Busy Bodies directly and we will help to resolve any issues.

## Easter Holiday Activities

Information can be found in the letter rack by the school office.

## Community News

**St Michael's Church - Holy Week Lego Challenge** - From Saturday 24<sup>th</sup> March there will be 16 Lego models hidden in the shops in Boldmere Road. Each model will be a scene from the life of Jesus. When you find one, ask the shop keeper to stamp the card you have been given. You are also welcome to go along to St Michael's Church on Easter Day or Sunday 8<sup>th</sup> April to find the Easter Lego scene, collect your final stamp and receive an Easter egg. Services are at 9am and 10.30am.

**Balance Collective Workshop - Resilient Job Searching: A Road Map to Success - Free Workshop** for unemployed parents on Tuesday 24<sup>th</sup> April from 10am until 12 noon at The Hub, Mere Green Community Centre, Mere Green Road, B75 5BT.

School breaks up for Easter this Thursday 29<sup>th</sup> March and children return to school on Monday 16<sup>th</sup> April. We wish everyone an enjoyable Easter break.

*Suzanne Kenny*

Mrs S Kenny  
Head of School  
27<sup>th</sup> March 2018

## Happy Easter

From Boldmere Schools PTA

*We've given you these Smarties to eat  
But the empty tube you must keep  
20p pieces are what you must find  
Ask friends and family, they won't mind  
Fill up your tube, right to the top  
Return after Easter and  
We'll collect the lot!*



Please return your sealed tubes by Friday 27<sup>th</sup> April. They don't have to be full. Clearly mark the tube with your name & class. Everybody who returns a tube containing money will be entered into a prize draw. A winner will be chosen at random from each class. The winning children will then be invited to a special breakfast at the Harvester Boldmere along with Mrs Kenny, Mrs Silverwood & Mr Glasgow.

There will also be a prize for the family of the child that collects the most amount of money.



## Boldmere Infant & Nursery School Parent/Guardian Questionnaire Results..... Feb 2018

Dear Parents/Carers,

Thank you to all parents/guardians who responded to the questionnaire given out a few weeks ago. We undertake this task at roughly the same time each year and it provides valuable feedback about the school and indicates how we can improve further. The results are below, and I would like to highlight that we are most delighted that almost all parents/guardians who have responded, “strongly agree” or “agree” that their child is happy at school, feels safe at school, makes good progress and would recommend this school to others. We notice that, similar to previous years, there are 7% of parents who “don’t know” whether we deal effectively with any concerns, and we interpret this as parents having no experience of this during their child’s time at school. We do our utmost at Boldmere to provide the best possible education for all children and we very much appreciate parents/guardians taking the time to give us feedback. It is our intention to further analyse the feedback received in each year group and share these with you in the near future.

Thank you.

### Infant School

Please tick:	Strongly Agree or Agree	Strongly Agree	Agree	Disagree	Strongly Disagree	Don't know
1 My child is happy at school	100%	80%	20%			
2. The school keeps my child safe	100%	78%	22%			
3 I feel that my child is making good progress	99%	76%	23%	1%		
4 The school makes sure that the children are well behaved	100%	69%	31%			
5 I believe that my child is taught well at school	100%	81%	19%			
6 The school is well led and managed	99%	73%	26%			1%
7 The school responds well to any concerns that I raise	92%	65%	27%	1%		7%
8. I receive information from the school about my child's progress	96%	58%	38%	2%		2%
9 The school supports my child in developing friendships	93%	63%	30%			7%
10 The school nurtures my child	99%	68%	31%			1%
11 I would recommend this school to another parent	100%	86%	14%			