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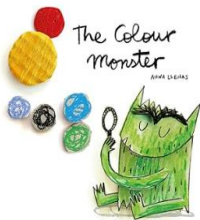


Dear Parents/Carers,

We start this week with a reminder of our participation in the Sustrans Big Walk & Wheel event. We have officially begun our involvement, and each day we are uploading a tally of our journeys to school! Well done to all of those children who are walking or scooting their way to the school gates or, like some children in Giraffe, ED and LK classes who are completing their morning exercise by walking around the field. So far, we have completed **315** journeys by walking/scooting/cycling. Well done everyone and keep up the great effort!



Last week also saw the start of a new Creative project between The Rep and our Reception classes. Each Reception class had the opportunity to work with Summer from The Rep, taking part in fun activities all about Emotions. The morning was a great success and an amazing opportunity for children to work with other professionals, recognising and understanding their emotions.



All of the children joined in with an interactive storytelling workshop exploring the story 'The Colour Monster'! The children used puppets, props and lots of actions to explore the themes within the story. We are looking forward to welcoming Summer back again this week for a further workshop focusing on the story 'The Worry Monster'.

The project runs for three weeks and we are fortunate that it was offered free to us -thank you to Mrs. Mahon for organising the event.

Our Red Nose Day celebrations last Friday raised a healthy total of **£155.10** so thank you to all parents/carers for their donations. If you did manage to view the event on television, you will have seen the impact that the fundraising has on the lives of people at home and abroad. Although we chose not to have a cake sale this year, the children had an enjoyable day at school and showed a good understanding of the fund raising event.

A reminder that Nursery offers will be sent out on **Friday 28<sup>th</sup> March**, following the closing date for applications on 17th March. Please make sure that all offers are responded to (accept/decline) within the time frame given. If you were not successful in gaining a place for September 2025, but would like to be added to the waiting list, please make sure the Office are aware as soon as possible.

My final paragraph today is to say well done and thank you to Bertie G in Year 2, who took on the role of Head Teacher for the day last Friday. He did an amazing job during the day and only sat down for a break at 2.30pm!! He attended lots of meetings, made very important decisions throughout the day but also learnt how to make cups of coffee for the office! Thanks Bertie, I had a super time spending the day with you!



## Diary Dates

- Wednesday 2<sup>nd</sup> April** - Parents Rep Meeting
- Friday 11<sup>th</sup> April** - Break for Easter holidays
- Monday 28<sup>th</sup> April** - School re-opens to all pupils
- Monday 5<sup>th</sup> May** - May Day Bank Holiday - closed to all pupils
- Tuesday 13<sup>th</sup> May** - Year 2 Sports Festival @ Aston Villa Inner City Academy (am only)
- Monday 19<sup>th</sup> May** - Reception trip to Ash End Farm
- Friday 23<sup>rd</sup> May** - Professional Development Day. School closed to pupils
- Friday 23<sup>rd</sup> May** - Break up for half term holidays
- Monday 2<sup>nd</sup> June** - School re-opens to all pupils



## Congratulations Board

Congratulations to these children who are on the Congratulations Board this week:

**Year 1:** Oliver, Alfie & Scout

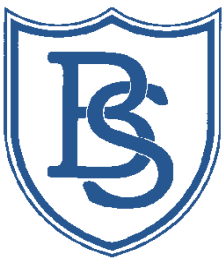
**Year 2:** Bonnie, Jemima & Theo



## Newsletter:

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





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## Coffee Afternoon- Mental Health and Wellbeing Support

Join our coffee afternoon and find support for your family through our Senior Mental Health Lead - Mrs Mason (Infants) and Senior Learning Mentor- Mrs Deane (Juniors).

The following support groups are attending;

- Birmingham's new Mental Health Support Team
- Barnardos Autism Team
- Early Help
- Compass Support and more!

It will be a 'no-judgment', space with an opportunity to signpost you to the support that may be needed.

When: Thursday 1<sup>st</sup> May

Time: 1.45pm

Where: Junior School Hall

If you wish to attend, please complete the form below.

<https://forms.office.com/e/Xjn86HJ4uy>

Please see poster attached to this newsletter.

### 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](https://www.birmingham.gov.uk/info/20109/parking/1983/report_an_illegally_parked_vehicle)



### Medical Appointments

A reminder that if your child will be absent from school, arrive late or have 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. Thank you.



### Missing jacket

A navy and cream boys baseball jacket, with a capital letter 'A' on it has gone missing in school last Friday.

If your child has come home with it by mistake please could you return it to the office. Thank you



### Dolce - price increase

Due to increased staffing and food costs nationwide, the price of a children's school dinner is increasing from £2.82 to £3.05 per day.

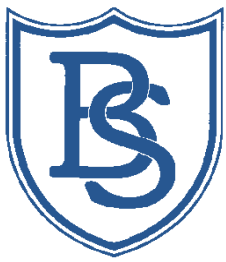


### Boldmere INSET days for 25-26 are as follows:

- Monday 1<sup>st</sup> September 2025
- Tuesday 2<sup>nd</sup> September 2025
- Monday 5<sup>th</sup> January 2026
- Friday 22<sup>nd</sup> May 2026
- Monday 20<sup>th</sup> July 2026

School will be closed to all pupils on these dates.





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## it's ok TO ASK FOR HELP

Join us at our coffee afternoon



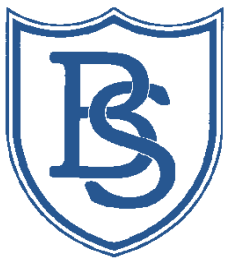
Find support for your family through our Senior Mental Health Lead – Mrs Mason (Infants), Senior Learning Mentor- Mrs Deane (Juniors), Birmingham's new Mental Health Support Team, Barnardos Autism Team, Early Help, Compass Support and more! No-judgment, just care. Your mental health and well-being matters, and we're here to lend a listening ear. You're not alone, let's chat.

1<sup>st</sup> MAY 1:45 PM

Boldmere  
Junior  
School Hall







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 Castle Bromwich Historic Gardens

**We're OPEN EVERY DAY**

## Easter Holiday Activities

Egg trails, drop in crafts, bookable sessions  
**Saturday 12th April- Sunday 27th April. 10.30 - 4.30pm**  
**Egg trails every day: £4 per child**  
 (includes, booklet, egg prize and child entry all day)  
 No need to book.  
**Normal ADULT Entry Fees apply**  
**ALSO: Bookable sessions:**  
 Mini Beast Adventures  
 Easter Clay and Play  
 Easter craft makes



**Unplug & Play**

**Egg trails every day! Just turn up**  Castle Bromwich Historic Gardens  
 Café open for snacks, drinks and cake  
 Picnics welcome  
 Dogs on short leads welcome



**Bookable Family Sessions**  
 Ideal for families with 3 to 9 year olds and their adults.

- Mini Beast Adventures
- Clay & Play Workshop
- Easter craft makes

*Check our website for dates, prices and booking*

**Easter Sat 19th & Sun 20th**  
 normal entry prices, no need to book



**Living History encampment**  
**Colonel Pickering's Regiment of Foote**  
 Join in with the 17th century soldiers, try on armour, march along and learn about their lives

**Website** 

**PRICES**  
 Adults: Normal entry £6.60/£5.50  
 Children (2 and over) £4


**Book Tickets** 

**Booked sessions prices vary - £7 -£13**  
 (Entry to the Gardens all day is included in the price when you book)

Castle Bromwich Historic Gardens, Chester Road, Castle Bromwich, B36 9BT  
 0121 464 4100  
 www.castlebromwichhistoricgardens.org.uk  
 Charity no: 514883

**Sutton Coldfield Charitable Trust - School Uniform Grant Applications 2025**

The SCCT School Clothing Grant Scheme is now open online for new applications.



Applicants will need to visit the **SCCT website** to read the guidance notes and complete a short eligibility quiz before they are able to proceed to an application form

The guidance notes explain who can apply and information about how the scheme works.

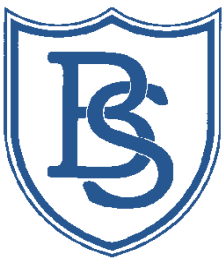
**Attendance - updated processes**

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.





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**BIB Newsletter Week beginning 24<sup>th</sup> March 2025**

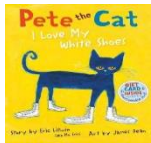
## Stars of the Week

**Kaleel** in **Giraffe class** for being a superstar all week.

**Thierry** in **ED** for super effort in Maths.

**Theo** in **LK** for a fantastic effort in all lessons.

**Quinn** for following instructions and enjoying his learning in the outdoor environment



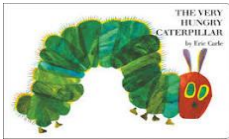
## Learning

**Giraffe class** are reading Pete the Cat: I love my white shoes by Eric Litwin.

In Maths, the class are learning about prepositions.

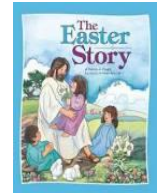


In **ED** are reading and sequencing the story of the Hungry Caterpillar by Eric Carle. In **DT**, they are developing their fine motor skills by using utensils to make a fruit salad from the fruit included in the story.



In Maths, the children are continuing to develop their understanding of number and place value, the children are practicing good hand hygiene and understanding its importance.

In English **LK** are focusing on Grammar and spelling. In Maths, the children are revisiting addition and subtraction skills. In preparation for Easter they are learning about the story of Easter. **LK** will be visiting the local library in Boldmere this week too.



Thank you to those who attended the BIB Coffee afternoon yesterday. I hope you found it insightful and it allowed you to understand how our curriculum and assessment has developed over time.

From Wednesday this week, we will have a new Sports Coach from West Bromwich Albion. We were very sad to see Jordan leave us but welcome James Bradley into the BIB Team. We are pleased that he is a familiar face, as he has worked with us before, so transition should be smoother for the children.

Finally, a further thank you to you all for your patience and understanding last week, with so many of the BIB team falling poorly and being absent from school.

Email addresses for correspondence specific to your child's class/year group.

[bib-contact@boldmere.bham.sch.uk](mailto:bib-contact@boldmere.bham.sch.uk)

[nursery-contact@boldmere.bham.sch.uk](mailto:nursery-contact@boldmere.bham.sch.uk)

[reception-contact@boldmere.bham.sch.uk](mailto:reception-contact@boldmere.bham.sch.uk)

[yr1-contact@boldmere.bham.sch.uk](mailto:yr1-contact@boldmere.bham.sch.uk)

[yr2-contact@boldmere.bham.sch.uk](mailto:yr2-contact@boldmere.bham.sch.uk)



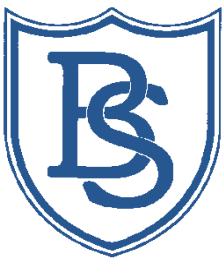
## School Emails

The two separate email addresses for Infants/Juniors are:

[enquiry-inf@boldmere.bham.sch.uk](mailto:enquiry-inf@boldmere.bham.sch.uk)

[enquiry-jun@boldmere.bham.sch.uk](mailto:enquiry-jun@boldmere.bham.sch.uk)





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## Busy Bodies News

### April Booking form

Please note that booking forms are due in by this Wednesday 26<sup>th</sup> March and fees are payable by Friday 28<sup>th</sup> March. Kindly indicate on your April booking form whether your child/children will be attending any other after school clubs.

### Mythical Madness

We are encouraging all young artist to take part in our national competition Mythical madness. Children can draw a mythical creature such as elves, fairies, playful pixies, mermaids or dragons. The possibilities are endless, so get drawing and create your mythical creature to send into Busies.

The closing date for this competition is 18<sup>th</sup> April, so it is very important drawing are handed in by Monday 13<sup>th</sup> April.

### Receptions at Busy Bodies are taking on the Hedgehog walk

Between the 31<sup>st</sup> March and 13<sup>th</sup> April we will be walking 3km to raise funds for the Wildlife Trust. We will be sending home a fund raising sponsorship form with the children taking party, if any parents/ carers are able to donate we would really appreciate your support.

### Toy donations

We would like to take this opportunity to ask our parents if you are having a toy sort out, we would be appreciative of any good quality and robust pirate toys, cars, barbie dolls and clothing and batman/ marvel figurines.

*Kerema Hyatt*

*Senior Office Manager Busy Bodies*

Mrs S Kenny  
Head of School  
25/03/2025

*Sarahanna Kenny*

