



NEWSLETTER - MARCH 2



Dear Parents/Carers,

Thanks From Mrs Kenny

I would firstly like to thank all parents/carers for their support during the recent weeks. Last week saw a disruption to the school week, through adverse weather conditions that blanketed the region. Although having fun in the snow puts a smile on our children's faces, I know the impact that school closures have on families. In addition, this week will also see a disruption to learning, with a two day NEU strike planned for Wednesday and Thursday. A parentmail was sent out yesterday detailing the classes that are affected. In the Infant school, only Nursery classes and Owl class (1L) will be at school on the two days. School will be **closed to all other pupils**.

Last week we enjoyed our Inspire afternoons with all Reception, Year 1 and Year 2 parents. It has been a few years since our previous events, so we were very pleased that this could be facilitated again. Thank you to all grown-ups that attended and thank you to all staff who prepared the event. There were lots of opportunities for grown-ups to work with their children and I saw many happy faces leaving at the end of each session. Feedback from parents/carers has been positive and we hope that everyone had an enjoyable learning experience!

Celebrating Attendance

Congratulations to Robin class-RI and Seal class-1H for achieving 97.50% attendance last week. Well done!

Sustrans Big Walk And Wheel

School has registered to take part in this National scheme and class teachers will log the walking/wheeling that takes place each day. Please see further information attached to today's newsletter. Let's get walking and wheeling everyone!

Parent Feedback Questionnaires.

Following our parents' evening sessions during the last week of term, we would like to ask parents/carers to complete a parental questionnaire. The feedback forms support our school self-evaluation process and provide opportunities for us to identify any areas for school improvement.

To complete the form please visit <https://forms.office.com/Pages/ResponsePage.aspx?id=o1qZIB4jjOKY5rkBJrERNyyzJWZL3bpCkLm8b6UtdrIUN1Y4UzISOFpOMUJXRE1RQ0VSVVFTNDZVOC4u>

Red Nose Day- Comic Relief - Spreading The Joy!

Red Nose Day is Friday 17th March. Your child can wear non-school uniform on this day and we are asking children to bring a joke from home to school so we can make a joke book. Donations can be made to

<https://app.parentpay.com/ParentPayShop/Foc/Default.aspx?shopid=10565>

Diary Dates

Friday 17th March- Red Nose Day, more details to follow.

Friday 31st March - Break up for Easter holidays.

Monday 17th April - School re-opens to all pupils.

Monday 1st May - May Day Bank holiday- School closed.

Monday 8th May - King Charles III Coronation Bank Holiday - School closed.

Friday 26th May - Break up for half term holidays.

Monday 5th June- School re-opens to all pupils.

Friday 21st July- Break up for summer holidays.

Monday 24th July & Tuesday 25th July- School closed for professional development days.

Monday 4th September & Tuesday 5th September - School closed for professional development days.

Wednesday 6th September-School re-opens to Year 1, Year 2 & BIB.

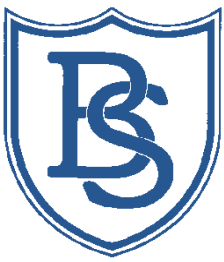
Friday 27th October- Break up for half term holiday.

Monday 6th November-School re-opens to all pupils.

Friday 22nd December- Break up for Christmas holidays.

Rugby Tots Lunchtime Club

Rugby Tots Lunchtime Club on a Thursday has had to be cancelled this week and last week due to school closures. Matt the Rugby coach will be making up these sessions on the last two Wednesdays of this term.



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Sutton Coldfield Charitable Trust - School Uniform Grant Applications 2023

School Uniform Grant Application forms are available from the school office. All completed forms will need to be returned to the school office by **9am Wednesday 15th March 2023** at the latest. The eligibility criteria and proof of benefits required is listed below:

- A current resident of one of the Sutton Constituency Electoral Wards, ie Sutton Mere Green, Sutton Four Oaks, Sutton Vesey, Sutton Wylde Green, Sutton Trinity, Sutton Roughley, Sutton Reddicap, Sutton Wamley & Minworth.
- In receipt of one or more of the benefits listed: Income Support, Job Seekers Allowance, Employment Support Allowance, Child Tax Credit, Working Tax Credit, Universal Credit.

Nursery September 2023 Intake

Registration forms are available from the school office or they can be downloaded from the school website under the Parents/Admissions tab.

If you know of anyone that may be interested in a nursery place then please get them to call us on 0121 464 2338. **The closing date for applications is Friday 17th March 2023.**

Book Fair

A huge thank you to everyone who came to the book fair last week. It was lovely to see the children browsing and choosing books to buy. Although we were only open Monday-Wednesday, a lot of purchases were made. We are really pleased that we have earned a total of £1200 in commission from these sales. We have used this money to purchase books to match our book explorer challenges which children will be taking home today.

Book Explorer Challenge

In your child's book bag, there is a book explorer challenge. The aim of the book explorer is for children to enjoy a wide range of books. There are 3 book explorer awards - bronze, silver and gold. Instructions of how to achieve these awards are on the back of the sheet. We would encourage all children to aim for achieving their gold award at the end of the summer term, so you have plenty of time! Happy reading!

Birmingham City Council - What's On Offer From Birmingham With Love

Online parenting course

We've pre-paid for every parent in Birmingham to access a [parenting course](#). Just enter the access code "COMMUNITY" at the top of the page to claim. There are courses for parents, carers and grandparents of children from bump to 19. Learn about how your child develops and get tips to manage their behaviour.

[Online Learning \(heiapply.com\)](https://www.heiapply.com)

Lunchtime Playleader Vacancy

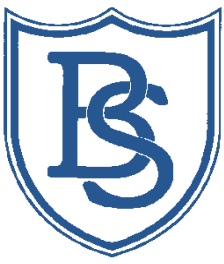
We are looking to recruit a lunchtime playleader to join our lunchtime staff in Boldmere Infant and Nursery School. The post is for five days per week, 1 hour 10 minutes per day with an approximate start of 12.10pm. If you enjoy working (and playing!) with children, and would like to support our fantastic lunchtime team, please contact school for details or click on the link where further information can be found including job description and application form. Paper copies, can also be collected from the Infant school office.

<https://www.boldmere.bham.sch.uk/job-vacancies>

Closing date for applications is 12 noon on Friday 17th March. Please feel free to share this with anyone who may be interested in this position at our school. We look forward to receiving applications.

TTRock Stars

Congratulations to 2B this week who have received the TTRock star trophy for the week. Bear class are champions across both Infant and Junior school and have spent the most time on TTRockstars this week! Well done Bears!



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Busy Bodies

Red nose day 2023- This week we continue with our mile a day challenge to complete 10 miles for Comic Relief. All the children and staff took to the big playground to do 11 laps either running, walking or jogging. Congratulations to William, Elijah, and Jamie who last week completed the 11 laps of the playground first. They did not stop there as they continued round the course to give the remainder of us some well-needed cheers and support. Well done boys.

I am also proud of our reception children who never complained and made their way around the school playground effortlessly each day. Keep up the hard work everyone!

Cake sale

Today marks the day for our fundraising cake sale, if you wish to buy a cake simple do so upon collection of your children from the Busy Bodies door. The Busy Bodies staff have been hectically baking over the weekend and our children indulged in making chocolate brownies yesterday at our club.

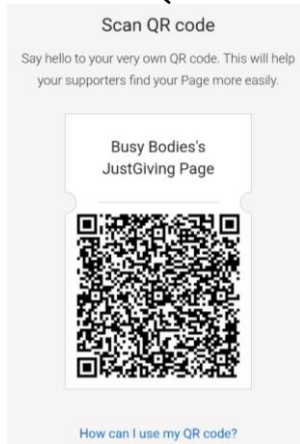
Comic Relief support many people living in poverty both in our country and Worldwide and we want to be part of this.

Please help by visiting our JustGiving page for Comic Relief donations- Should you wish to support us along the way (please note it will have a Busy Bodies Banner which celebrated our 20th Birthday, and it should say Luan's page), as there are other Busy Bodies group on the JustGiving page.

Thank you for your continued commitment and support throughout the year. Please follow this link:

<https://www.justgiving.com/fundraising/busy-bodiesosc?checkoutMode=Headless>

Or use our QR code.



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

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nursery-contact@boldmere.bham.sch.uk

reception-contact@boldmere.bham.sch.uk

yr1-contact@boldmere.bham.sch.uk

yr2-contact@boldmere.bham.sch.uk

Dolce School Catering

If you would like to contact Dolce our school catering company regarding anything to do with school lunches please contact them via customercare@dolce.co.uk

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Head of School
14/03/2023