

# NEWSLETTER - MARCH 4

Dear Parents/Carers,

Our school value last half term was "Appreciation" and today we have spent a few minutes thinking about all of those people who have helped us through the Covid-19 pandemic during the last 12 months. We have joined with others around the country marking the start of the First National Lockdown. We have focused on being thankful and appreciative for acts of kindness during the last year, as is age appropriate for our children.

## Virtual Parents Evening Consultations

A reminder that our online booking system for next week's virtual parents' evening, will be open from 4.00pm today. Instructions were sent via parentmail yesterday afternoon. Please note that you must log in with the following to authenticate your appointment: parent title (i.e. Mr/Mrs/Ms/Miss) and last name, as well as child name and date of birth. We look forward to seeing you all virtually next week!

## Milk Letters

Milk letters were sent home for the summer term yesterday. Order forms and payment via Parentpay must be received by 9am Monday 29<sup>th</sup> March at the very latest. If your child is in a Reception class, please do not assume they will continue to receive milk even though they are under five. A new order form must be completed and sent to school.

## Covid Testing

Please be aware that the two types of Covid testing currently available are used for different purposes. The 30 minute lateral flow test is for asymptomatic testing. This test is to identify covid-19 in individuals who do not have any symptoms. If a child/family member displays ANY Covid symptoms they MUST take a PCR test. They, and the family members must then isolate until results are received. Plantsbrook walk through site currently provide PCR testing each morning.

## Reminder to Parents/Carers- Beginning Of School Day

Please can we remind parents to only arrive at school at your child's class drop off time and avoid congregating together. May we also remind you that your child should wait with you before doors open and not be mixing with children from other bubbles.

## Nursery September 2021

Nursery place offer letters for September 2021 will be sent out to parents on Friday 26<sup>th</sup> March. If your child has a sibling in the Infant or Junior school, offer letters will be sent home with them. Please check their book bags.

## Newsletter:

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

## Diary Dates

### Spring Term 2021

**Monday 29<sup>th</sup> March-** Virtual Parents Evening Consultations.

**Wednesday 31<sup>st</sup> March-** Virtual Parents Evening Consultations.

**Thursday 1<sup>st</sup> April-** Break up for Easter holidays.

**Monday 19<sup>th</sup> April-** School re-opens to all pupils.

**Thursday 27<sup>th</sup> May-** Break up for half term holidays.

**Friday 28<sup>th</sup> May-** Professional Development Day, school closed to all pupils.

**Monday 7<sup>th</sup> June-** School re-opens to all pupils.

**Tuesday 20<sup>th</sup> July-** Break up for summer holidays.

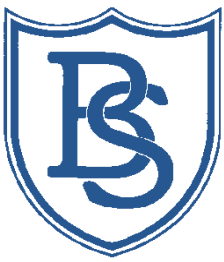
**Wednesday 21<sup>st</sup> July-** Professional Development Day, school closed to all pupils.

## Children's Data Checking Sheets

Data checking sheets will be sent home with your child this week. Please check your child's book bags. Please could all forms be checked, amended if necessary, signed and returned to the school office by Thursday 1<sup>st</sup> April 2021. Thank you for your support.

## New Arrivals!

Congratulations to Katora and Mayaih on the birth of their new baby sister. Welcome to our school family.



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## Busy Bodies Newsletter

**April booking forms** - Please ensure if you have been accessing BB provision that your booking form is returned/emailed no later than **Wednesday 24<sup>th</sup> March**. If we have not received your form by then, we will offer any spaces available to our current BB parents who have not been able to access due to capacity and remain on our waiting list.

We must apologise to our BB parents who currently cannot access our provision due to current capacity and staffing numbers.

**Isolation** - Parents of children who have been isolating (2M) have now been reimbursed on your parentpay account.

**Refunds:** As from w/c 29<sup>th</sup> March BB will refer back to your parent contract regarding refunds. Busy Bodies, will from this date, only be refunding isolation by the school or in line with the government guidelines, i.e. positive contact/family.

## Message From Friends of Mossy Bank

The flowers your children planted on Mossy Bank are looking great. We are also pleased to hear that the council have agreed to plant wild flowers in this area over the next few weeks.

So that we can all enjoy this flower display, please remind your children not to pick any of the flowers growing on Mossy Bank.

Thank you for your support.

## Easter Egg Decoration Competition

As we are unable to have our Easter bonnet parade this year, we have decided to hold an exciting new competition for the children which is to decorate an Easter Egg. School will send home a template by the end of this week and children can decorate the egg in different ways e.g. drawing, paint, collage. All decorated eggs must be sent back into school by **Wednesday 31<sup>st</sup> March** ready to be judged on **Thursday 1<sup>st</sup> April**. One child from each class will win an Easter egg for their design.

Happy decorating!

## Red Nose Day Friday 19<sup>th</sup> March 2021

Thank you to everyone that made a donation for Red Nose day last Friday. So far we have raised £95.00.

Donations for Comic Relief can be made via ParentPay using the following link:

<https://app.parentpay.com/ParentPayShop/Foc/Default.aspx?shopid=2540>

## Contacting School

Please can we remind you that if you have an attendance query, for example if you child is currently attending school and is not going to be in, please call the office or email [enquiry@boldmere.bham.sch.uk](mailto:enquiry@boldmere.bham.sch.uk).

If you need support with teaching and learning at home, for example, a query about a lesson or clarification of an activity please make contact via the year group email addresses.

Email addresses for correspondence specific to your child's class/year group, to support with teaching, learning and online/home learning support.

[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)

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