

NEWSLETTER - MAY 2

Dear Parents/Carers,



Eid Mubarak

Eid Mubarak to all of our children and their families celebrating Eid. We hope you have a lovely day despite current restrictions. Please could you inform school via phone to the school office 0121 464 2338 or email enquiries@boldmere.bham.sch.uk if your child will be absent from school on the day of celebration. Please be assured that the day will be an authorised absence. It would be lovely to see any photos taken during your celebrations, please send them into school so that we can share them with the rest of the class.

PE Kits/ Uniform Reminder

Please can we remind you of the correct PE kit for school. As the weather is still cold, children will more than likely want to wear their tracksuit. This must be a plain navy blue or black tracksuit with a white t-shirt underneath and outdoor trainers. We ask for no football strips or labelled t-shirts/ jumpers. Children who have their ears pierced should only be wearing studs, to school. For health and safety purposes, we ask that earrings are removed before they come to school on PE days. Thank you for your cooperation.

Mental Health Awareness Week

This week is Mental Health Week. In school we have been discussing the power of positive thinking. We have used the notion of red thoughts/ unhelpful thoughts and green thoughts/ helpful thoughts. During class assembly time and circle time children have been practising to turn red thoughts into green thoughts e.g. *Thomas in 1W changed "I can't do this" into "I am finding this tricky, so I am going to ask for help"*. *Alex in 1W changed "I'm not very good at swimming" into "I can go to a swimming class and get better"*. Mrs Kenny has also recently attended a Mental Health First Aid course and is now our 'Mental Health First Aid Champion' making sure that she is looking after staff as well as children's mental health.

Nursery September 2021

We still have a few Nursery places available. If you know of or have a child whose date of birth is between 01/09/17 and 31/08/18 who may be interested in a place, please contact the school office on 0121 464 2338 for further information.

School Lunch Ordering Via School Grid

A reminder that all parents whose children have a school lunch are required to order their child's school meal in advance via the School Grid website.

Diary Dates

Summer Term 2021

Thursday 27th May- Break up for half term holidays.

Friday 28th May- Professional Development Day, school closed to all pupils.

Monday 7th June- School re-opens to all pupils.

Tuesday 20th July- Break up for summer holidays.

Wednesday 21st July- Professional Development Day, school closed to all pupils.

Autumn Term 2021

Thursday 2nd September- Professional Development Day, school closed to all pupils.

Friday 3rd September- Professional Development Day, school closed to all pupils.

Monday 6th September- School re-opens.

Friday 22nd October- Break up for half term holidays.

Monday 1st November- School re-opens to all pupils.

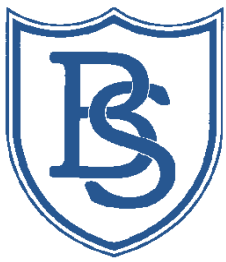
Friday 17th December- Break up for Christmas holidays.

Children's Data Checking Sheets

Please could all outstanding forms be checked, amended if necessary, signed and returned to the school office as soon as possible. Thank you for your support.

Newsletter:

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



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Busy Bodies Newsletter

June booking forms will be available from Tuesday 11th May online from both school offices and from Busy Bodies. Please ensure these are returned no later than Wednesday 18th May as the June form includes the last week of May due to the half term holiday. If you have not previously accessed Busy Bodies provision and would like to, please contact Kerema, Helen or Jayne in the first instance on Tel: 0121 464 1343. Please check and ensure your May payments are up to date on your ParentPay account, this will include any extra provision you may have required, late collections etc.

Busy Bodies morning provision

Polite reminder: Please ensure if your child is booked in from 8am, this is the time their provision starts. On a number of occasions over the last few weeks, we have noticed that several children are being dropped off earlier than stated on their booking form and we have not staffed for this cover. You must ensure that you drop off and pick up at the time stated on your booking form as this will affect our staffing ratio. We will always accommodate our families who wish to access early provision or extend their sessions, providing we have advance notice to staff adequately.

Reminder

Please ensure all children are escorted onto the premises each morning by a parent/carer. Although we appreciate that parking is limited around school, we must **insist** that Infant children are accompanied to the school door by a responsible adult. **Please do not drop children off outside school.** The safety of children is paramount during the morning drop-off.

A reminder that parents/carers should not be parking in the school zone area, marked in red tarmac with a single yellow line on Antrobus Road between 7.30 am to 9.30 am and 3 pm to 6.30 pm. Parking in this area at the beginning and end of the school day can cause problems for people trying to cross the road. As always, we ask that parents/carers park considerately when dropping off and collecting their child/children.

PTA NEWS

PTA MEETING - if you would like to join us at our 8pm zoom meeting tonight (Tuesday 11th May) please email boldmere.pta@gmail.com and we will send you the meeting details. We will be discussing fundraising for the rest of this year. We will be looking at possible event ideas for summer - all ideas welcome. COME ALONG, it's always good to see new faces.

We want to say a huge thank you to everybody that ordered a class tea towel, we raised over £250.

The Elfridges store is planning to open its doors again ready for Fathers Day! Please look out for notifications on the newsletters, mail outs and through our social media <https://www.facebook.com/boaldmereschoolspta> and <https://www.instagram.com/boldmerepta/>

Please get in touch through boldmere.pta@gmail.com if you have fundraising ideas or would like to join in. It is amazing to be part of the Boldmere family, we would love to hear from anyone who would like to get involved.

Contacting School

Please can we remind you that if you need to contact school regarding attendance please call the school office on 0121 464 2338 or email enquiry@boldmere.bham.sch.uk

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

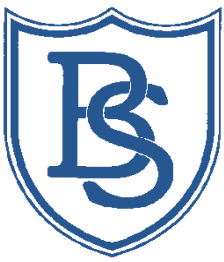
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'Empties Please' Ink Cartridge Recycling

We are working with a company called 'Empties Please' who specialise in recycling of used cartridges. Their aim is to help schools raise funds and become greener in the process. They will collect all used ink and toner cartridges collected by the school and donate money straight back to the school. We also have the opportunity to earn 'green points' which can then be spent on 'green rewards' including seeds, gardening tools, Hedgehog boxes and bird feeders.

Your child will be bringing home a recycle bag soon to collect any old ink cartridges in. You may save the bag for when you have some empties. They may be cartridges from home, work- place or family. Please send any empty cartridges into school in the recycle bags.

If you ever require more recycle bags, please ask at the school office.

For further information please follow the link below;

<https://www.emptiesplease.com/>



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School
11/05/2021