

NEWSLETTER - MAY 3

Dear Parents

School Closures

School will be closed to children on **Thursday 8th June** due to a snap General Election.

'Come dine with us'

Invitations were sent home last week to all children who usually have a packed lunch. If you have not yet responded and your child would like to try a school dinner on Thursday 18th May (Census Day) please return the form tomorrow. We would like to have the absolute maximum number of children possible having a free school dinner on this day as the funding of dinners for the rest of the year is based on the number of dinners provided on that day. It is really important that we claim all possible funding for Boldmere Infant School. We completely understand that some children and families prefer a packed lunch but would ask for as much support as possible on this census day.

Celebrating Attendance

Congratulations to 2T-Owl Class for achieving 99.67% attendance in school last week. Well done Owls.

Congratulations Board

Well done to these children for being nominated by their teachers: Eloïse Haggett (RE) Jack Rainbow (RI) Daniel Chubb (RM) Zachary Child (1C) Jessica Swinbourne (1E) Elaina Cassin (1P) Aisha Turton (2B) Cillian Smith (2T) Chloe Arkinstall (2W)

Please could children not bring Fidget Spinners, or any other toys from home, into school. It is easy to lose personal toys and young children can sometimes be very generous and give their toys to friends which causes problems.

Lost Glasses

Has someone lost some Spiderman glasses? They have been in our office waiting to be found. If they are not claimed by Friday 19th May 2017 they will be disposed of.

Class Photographs

Advance warning! The photographer will be visiting school on Tuesday 23rd May to take whole class photographs.

Parking

Please can we urge all parents/ carers to park safely when dropping off/collecting children and avoid parking on the zig zag or yellow lines as this is illegal and dangerous.

Car Park Gate

It is with great dismay that I add this item to our newsletter this week. The gate separating the two staff car parks has been broken again by having the coded lock forced. This lock costs approximately £500 to replace and in times when budget is stretched, I find it frustrating to be spending money on something that is not related to children's learning! I would like to reiterate that parents should not be walking through staff car parks at any point during the school day. The car parks are for staff and visitors' vehicles. Parents must not use the car parks as a short-cut to school. It is a dangerous place to be with young children. Thank you for your co-operation with this matter.





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PTA News

Flyers for the fabulous disco on Tuesday 23^{rd} May have now gone out. £2.50 entry gets unlimited drinks and a packet of Haribo and for an extra £1 you can pre-order a hot dog. Booking forms are on the bottom of the flyer, please return them by Friday 19th May.

We are now having weekly winners on our school lottery. Congratulations if you have already won. If you would like to play our weekly lottery you can register at https://www.yourschoollottery.co. uk/lottery/school/boldmereinfant-and-nursery-school. For £1 per week you get two chances

of winning. Please take a look and sign up, all proceeds go to the school.

It is with great sadness we are announcing that Matt Burton, our current Treasurer, will be standing down from the role in the near future. We want to thank Matt for all of his hard work over the years. Are you good with figures and fancy helping the PTA and school? If you might consider the role of Treasurer then please do get in touch. We would love to have a chat with any interested parties. The future of the PTA will be uncertain without a Treasurer and we would love to welcome someone new to work with us - please email boldmere.pta@gmail.com for more information.

Reception to Y2 Sports Day

Infant school sports day will be on Thursday 25th May and will start at 1:30pm and finish at approximately 2:30pm. Parents are welcome to take children home when finished but they must be collected from the classroom and not the field. Siblings in junior school cannot be collected early. Children will need clothes suitable for the weather including appropriate PE kit (tracksuits with trainers or pumps if the weather is cooler). Should the weather be sunny, please send in a sun hat and sun cream. We don't have enough chairs for parents so please bring a blanket to sit on. If we have to cancel due to very wet weather we will send a message via Parentmail, so please check your emails. PE kits will be sent home on Wednesday for your child to wear to school on Thursday.

Busy Bodies

Final reminder for Reception intake 2017, if you have any siblings or if you are aware of any families who have children starting school in September who wish to have a place at Busy Bodies, the final date for applications is Friday 26th May 2017.

Sainsbury's Vouchers

Sainsbury's have now stopped giving out Active Kids Vouchers. Please could you send all vouchers in by Friday 26th May. After half term we will be counting up the vouchers and sending them off with our order.

Transition Workshop

Our Place Community Hub are offering a one-off practical workshop on 'Supporting your child through transition'. This is being held at our Training Room on Friday 9th June from 09:30 to 11:00. Please call 0121 354 4080 to book a place.

Diary Dates Attached is a copy of Dates for your Diary.

Mrs S Kenny Head of School 16th May 2017

