

Boldmere Junior School

Weekly Newsletter

8 June 2021

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Dear Parents/Carers,

We have enjoyed seeing all the children return and settle back into school life after half term. We hope you had a safe and relaxing time, enjoying the fantastic weather!

Parent Governor Vacancies

We confirm that we have received 8 nominations for the governor vacancies and therefore it will go to ballot. Attached is a letter explaining the ballot process, personal statements for all of the nominees and a ballot paper. Voting closes on 15/06/2021 at 5 pm. Ballot boxes are available in both the Infant and Junior school reception areas for all votes.

New Summer Menus

Attached are the new full service menus which have started this week. We are currently on week 3. A reminder that all parents/carers whose children have school lunch are required to order their child's school meal in advance via the School Grid website.

Boldmere Values Newsletter - Resilience

This half term's value is Resilience. Please see attached.

School Photographer – Class Photographs

A reminder that the school photographer will be coming into school on Wednesday 9 June 2021 to take class photographs. Children must be in their school uniform on this day, not their PE Kit. Year 6 will still do PE during the day but they will not change into their kit as they will be taking part in less active sessions for this day.

Kingswood Day Trips – year 6

Well done to 6T for challenging themselves on their trip yesterday to Kingswood Activity Centre. You showed fantastic teamwork skills and demonstrated all of our school values. It was a great day even the weather was good for us.

Values Ambassadors



Congratulations to this week's Values Ambassadors. Keep up the hard work!

Year 3:

Aleena
Lucy
Aleeza

Year 4:

Ben
Jamie
Lucas

Year 5:

Izaan
William
Ralph

Year 6:

Archie
Carter
Molly

Entry to Yr 7 in September 2022 – FAO parents of children in year 5

A reminder that parents/carers can now register their child for the optional entrance test by applying online before 4pm on 30th June 2021. The test will take place on 11th September 2021.

To register, parents/carers need to visit www.birminghamgrammarschools.org

Admissions

The Grammar Schools in Birmingham
Foundation Office, Edgbaston Park Road
Birmingham, B15 2UD

Transition

We have been working really hard to plan a curriculum which supports transition for our children whether they will be starting new year groups or leaving us to move on to new schools.

Year 6 Transition Information

Through PSHE lessons and homework tasks, children are given time to learn about and prepare for their new schools. The year 6 team are also in the process of putting together events to celebrate our year 6 children and their time at Boldmere. Information about Leaver's Hoodies has already been sent out and is also available on Google Classrooms. More information will follow in the coming weeks.

As part of transition, we are focusing on homework and ensuring children are organising themselves and their time. We would appreciate your support in this by encouraging your child to hand their homework in on time. Homework information is on Google Classrooms and sent out every fortnight.

Year 6 Transition Day – Wednesday 7 July 2021

On Wednesday 7 July 2021, those children in year 6 who will be starting a Birmingham secondary school in September 2021, will have a transition day at their new school. **They will not come into Boldmere Junior School on that day but go direct to their new secondary school.** Please contact your child's new school for further details regarding the format of the day.

Nursery September 2021

The Nursery still has a few 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 Infant school office on 0121 464 2338 for further information.

Diary Dates

2020/21

Summer Term 2021

w/c Monday 5 July – Junior School Reports to be sent out

Tuesday 20 July – Break up for summer holidays

Wednesday 21 July – PDD – School closed to pupils

Autumn Term 2021

Thursday 2 September PDD – School closed to pupils

Friday 3 September PDD – School closed to pupils

Monday 6 September – Children return to school.

Friday 22 October – Break up for half term holidays

Monday 1 November – Children return to school

Friday 17 December – Break up for Christmas holidays

PDD = Professional Development Day

Please note the PDD for academic year 2021/22

Thursday 2 September – PDD – school closed to pupils

Friday 3 September – PDD – school closed to pupils

Tuesday 4 January – PDD – school closed to pupils

Wednesday 5 January – children return to school

Friday 27 May – PDD – school closed to pupils

ERROR:

*There was an error in the last newsletter regarding Wednesday 5 January 2022. This is **NOT** a PDD day. See above update. Apologies for any confusion.*

Sports Day

We are excited to let you know that our Sports Events Days will be the week beginning 5 July . They will take place on the children's usual PE days, so please ensure children come in on these days in their PE kits as normal. At this current time, we will unfortunately not be able to have parents join us. Further information will come out closer to the time – let's hope the sun continues to shine!.

Busy Bodies newsletter

BUSY BODIES NEWSLETTER: Welcome back to all our families and we hope you have had a lovely half term enjoying the glorious weather.

June booking fees have all now been debited, please check your ParentPay account to settle any outstanding amounts, thank you.

NEW REGISTRATION FOR SEPTEMBER 2021: Siblings and new starters – please ensure you have completed your registration pack no later than 28th June 2021. Registration packs can be obtained from the school's website, or the Infant or Junior school reception, Busy Bodies Before and After school club or we can email you a pack at your request. Our email address is as follows:

khyatt@boldmere.bham.sch.uk

PLANT POT COMPETITION: Our lovely garden monitors would like to invite all of our BB children to join in our Plant Pot competition. If you are interested and have a creative idea you would like to share with us, please collect a plant pot from the BB desk during the school day or at Busy Bodies time. All entries for the competition **must be returned by Friday 18th June, and no later. The competition will be held on Wednesday 23rd June** where the winners will be announced on the same day by our brilliant garden monitors. Your beautiful plant pots will be displayed in our BB early years garden. **LET'S GET CREATIVE!**

BUSY BODIES RECRUITMENT: We are currently looking to recruit 2/3 play leaders/co-ordinators who are enthusiastic, supportive and energetic team players to join our very busy and happy Before and After school club.

We are also looking to recruit a Deputy Manager to support our energetic, dynamic and enthusiastic Manager in the smooth and organised day-to-day running of our fantastic club.

All applicants must be able to demonstrate that they can engage positively with both our children and staff. All relevant information is available on our school website under vacancies and also on the WM jobs website. Should you feel this is the job for you or someone you know, we look forward to receiving your application.

Contacting School

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

yr3-contact@boldmere.bham.sch.uk

yr4-contact@boldmere.bham.sch.uk

yr5-contact@boldmere.bham.sch.uk

yr6-contact@boldmere.bham.sch.uk

For general enquiries or for reporting a school absence, medical appointment, end of school arrangements, please contact the school office on 0121 464 3656 or email enquiry@boldmere.bham.sch.uk

e-safety reminder

Ensuring that children are safe when using information technology is an essential life skill and is needed more now than ever with children having increased screen time and access to the internet.

We wanted to remind you that on the school website, under 'Safeguarding' 'E-safety' you can access useful resources and links to websites which offer age-appropriate resources and information for parents and carers. These can also be found on your child's Google Classroom in the 'Parent Information' folder.

Remember to follow us on twitter @BoldmereSchools for updates and to see some of the wonderful things happening in school!



PTA News

The **Father's Day Elfridges** Store is OPEN - [CLICK HERE!!!!](#) to go straight to our Elfridges page. Do not delay and miss the opportunity to have the elves wrap special Father's Day gifts for the dads in your life. Buy as many tickets as you like. **Ordering closes at 12 noon on Thursday 10th June 2021. WE CANNOT ACCEPT ANY ORDERS AFTER THIS TIME AS THE ONLINE STORE CLOSES, so please buy now.** The elves will deliver the gifts to the classrooms for your kids to bring home.

The **ICE CREAM** Freezer is **FULL** and ice creams will be on sale after school (as long as it's not raining). **PLEASE NOTE** - bring exact money (£1 or 50p) or a bankcard (contactless payments are a minimum spend of £1. We cannot accept a bank card payment for a 50p ice cream.) **PLEASE NOTE - Our Ice cream sellers cannot give change so please bring the exact money or bank card.**

SUMMER SPECIAL - We are looking into the possibility of something very special for summer... Do you play in a band? have a performing act? we're at the start of looking into organising something and would love to hear from anyone that might like to perform to an audience. Please get in touch at boldmere.pta@gmail.com

Please see our social media <https://www.facebook.com/boldmereschoolspta> and <https://www.instagram.com/boldmerepta/> or 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.