

Boldmere Junior School

Weekly Newsletter

22 June 2021

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Dear Parents/Carers,

We hope all our families are keeping well.

Covid-19 Reminder

6J Bubble closure

Unfortunately, we have closed our 6J bubble this week. They are working hard from home and we can't wait to have them back in school as soon as they can return.

We know that you may find this concerning but we are continuing to monitor the situation and are working closely with Public Health England.

Birmingham case rates are currently rising, and Birmingham is on the Government list of "enhanced support". Please can we therefore ask parents to continue wearing face masks when on the school site and adhere to social distancing when dropping and collecting children from school.

Please find attached information from public health providing up to date advice on Covid 19 guidelines.

Motivational Guest Speaker coming to Boldmere School

See attached information regarding Claire Lomas MBE who will be joining us live on our online assembly. Also attached are details regarding Whizz-Kidz which is one of her chosen charities, along with a sponsorship form. Please read the details on the attached.

Possible Phone Line Disruption In School -Friday 25th June.

We are having a new phone system installed in both schools on Friday 25th June, this may cause some disruption throughout the day. If you need to contact the school please email enquiry@boldmere.bham.sch.uk. If we need to contact you it may be from a withheld number. Please note all phone numbers for school will remain the same after the upgrade.

Dogs on school site

A reminder to parents/carers NOT to bring dogs onto the school site, unless they are 'assistance dogs'. Thank you.

Values Ambassadors



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

Year 3:

Jimmy
Maarya
Isaac
Lilly-Ann
Kazi
Hugo
Jaskarun

Year 4:

Chloe
Ava Mai
Jason

Year 5:

Amelie
Lauren
Ben
Gethin
Orlaith
Siena
Charlie
James

Year 6:

Erin
Ellie
Lexi
Beatrice
Noah
Che

ED

Hayden
Kara

Parent Governor results

Congratulations to Peter Donovan & Laura Shergold who have been elected by the parents as parent governors. Thank you to all who applied for the positions, there was a really high calibre of application and we appreciate the support we receive from the school community.

Parking/Dropping off and collecting Children – safety concerns

A reminder to all our parents/carers of the importance of parking safely and thoughtfully when collecting or dropping off your child and be aware of children crossing the road. We would also ask that you do not block the drive ways of any of our local residents. Thank you.

Culmington Manor Residential Trip – October 2021

A reminder that confirmation letters have been sent out to all children who will be attending the above residential trip in October 2021 (Year 6). The next payment was due by **20 June 2021**. If you have not already done so, please make your payment asap.

Transition Days – NOW CANCELLED – Year 6

A reminder that Secondary Schools have been advised by Dr Justin Varney, Director of Public Health, to cancel their transition days for their new intake. Therefore, we confirm that NO children in year 6 will be attending transition days to their new secondary schools, this includes the year 6 transition day arranged for 7 July. Your child's new secondary school will provide you with further information regarding transition in due course.

Sports Day

In the Junior School, we will be participating in **Sports Day** on the week commencing **5th July 2021**. For Sports Day, we are currently planning for children to compete for their house in their classes and this will occur during their PE lesson on this week. For their PE lesson, children are permitted to wear their house colours: (Stratford – blue, Kenilworth – green, Lichfield – yellow and Warwick – red).

We will aim to share two videos of each class on their google classroom page so that you can share their Sports Day involvement. Please note that this is a closed platform so information should not be shared or downloaded if it has been added to Google Classroom. If you do not wish for your child's Sports Day race to be shared on Google Classroom, please contact your child's year group email to opt out. If we do not hear from you, we will post the videos of your child on Google Classroom. Your child's year group email is:

- yr3-contact@boldmere.bham.sch.uk
- yr4-contact@boldmere.bham.sch.uk
- yr5-contact@boldmere.bham.sch.uk
- yr6-contact@boldmere.bham.sch.uk

We are hoping this will enable you to share Sports Day with us and your child.

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

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

A final 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

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.

Busy Bodies Newsletter

July booking forms – Last day to return your July booking form is Wednesday 23rd June. We are exceptionally busy again and at full capacity as we are still working in year group bubbles. We cannot guarantee forms received after this date can be accommodated. Fees for July will be debited w/c 28th June. Please ensure your ParentPay account is up to date.

September booking forms are due no later than Wednesday 7th July. Payments for your September booking form must be paid into your ParentPay account no later than Tuesday 31st August.

REGISTRATION FEE PAYMENT. All current children will be required to renew their registration fee for the new academic year starting September. You are now able to pay for your fees using the ParentPay payment item Busy Bodies registration fee 2021/22 or via your vouchers schemes. Payments must be completed by Friday 2nd July for all current families and by the first week of September for all new Reception children.

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 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 recruitment information and application forms are available on our school website under Vacancies and also on the West Midlands job site. 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!



[Class Photographs](#)

Class photographs were taken a few weeks ago in school by our school photographer. We will send out the information you need to view and order the photos for your class tomorrow via Parentmail. All orders will be placed directly with the photographer and will be posted to your home. Year 6 will be given their individual photographs in due course.

Dogs

Please can we remind all parents/carers that dogs are not allowed on the school premises at any time. Can we also ask that any mess made by dogs in the areas surrounding school is cleaned up by their owners, we have had concerns from a local resident.

Community:

The Sutton Coldfield Community Games are back on 10 and 11 July at Wyndley Leisure Centre from 12 pm to 5 pm each day.

This year there will be a limit of 2000 people and 35 activities and the event is ticketed at £2.50 per person, with 3's and under free of charge.

The games team and sporting partners will be doing their very best to help everyone have a great community afternoon of fun, inspiration and medals!

Tickets are available via:

Website www.suttongames.co.uk

Facebook @communitygamescic

Internet <https://www.trybooking.co.uk/BBOP>

PTA News

Thank You To Our PTA

We hope you all enjoyed your Father's Day Elfridges gifts. Thank you to the PTA for organising the event.

'Our vision for the Federation of Boldmere schools is to empower all children to embrace learning, achieve their best and build their emotional, social and physical well-being.'