

Boldmere Junior School

Weekly Newsletter

29th June, 2021

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Parent Questionnaire

Thank you to those parents/carers who returned their parent questionnaire (see attached summary sheet). We also thank all those parents/carers who have communicated with us in other ways. We value your comments and your support.

Covid-19 Reminder and update

We welcome back 6J Bubble to school.

3K Bubble and 3H Bubble closures

Unfortunately, we had to close 3K Bubble last week and 3H Bubble yesterday. 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.

Cases of the Delta Variant are rising across the local area and symptoms are presenting differently. Some children have sickness and diarrhoea/upset tummy and some have sore throats and headaches. Please continue to follow the government guidance:

If your child displays any Covid-19 symptoms you must book a PCR test and the whole family must self-isolate until you receive the results. You must inform the school of the illness in the first instance and then of the test results once received.

Government advice also recommends that twice weekly lateral flow tests are carried out by families. These tests are to detect asymptomatic cases and show results within 30 minutes. Thank you for your continued support.

Please can we ask parents to continue wearing face masks when on the school site and adhere to social distancing when dropping and collecting children from school.

Values Ambassadors



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

Year 3:

Isabelle
Tabitha
Isobel
Lydia
Freddie

Year 4:

Darcey
Daniel
Lucas
Thomas
Victoria
Aisha
Lucy
Hope
Jake

Year 5:

Freya
Jorge
Lucas
Elaina
Hallam
Eisa

Year 6:

Enoch
Finley
Francesca
Oscar

Motivational Guest Speaker at Boldmere Junior School

Many thanks to Claire Lomas MBE for her fantastic online assembly last Friday. We also take this opportunity to once again attach details regarding Whizz-Kidz, which is one of her chosen charities, along with a sponsorship form. Please read the details on the attached.

Sports Day

A reminder that 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.

Year 4 – Extra PE session this week - Friday

As mentioned in our Parentmail to year 4 parents/carers today, your child will have an extra PE session this week, so they will need to come into school this Friday in the PE kit.

Year 6 – Change of After School Club from Wednesday to Friday of this week

The After School Club with Mr Day, will **not** take place this Wednesday, but will take place on Friday (2 July 2021) instead. If your child usually attends this club, they may come into school on Friday in their PE kit. Please note that all children in year 6 will come into school in their PE kit on Wednesday (tomorrow) as normal for their PE session.

Music Lessons – Year 3

Letters will be sent home with your year 3 child over the next few days with further information about music lessons in our school. If you are interested, please return the slip to the school office by Friday 9 July.

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

Transition

As we are still operating under Covid-19 restrictions, we can't implement our usual transition activities; however, our staff have been working hard to plan transition to support all of our pupils.

Parent Mails will be sent on Friday 2nd July with information regarding your child's class teacher for next year. Due to some members of our staff having to self-isolate, year groups will post a welcome PowerPoint onto the school website as part of transition. As soon as we have a full complement of staff, videos will be made available on the school website to further support transition to new classes.

Class Photographs

We confirm that all children in year 6 have now been given their individual class photograph proofs (6J were handed theirs today). Please contact the photographer direct regarding ordering any photographs

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>

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

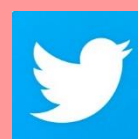
For general enquiries or for reporting a school absence, medical appointment, end of school arrangements, please contact the school office on 0121 464 3656 or email enquiry@boldmere.bham.sch.uk

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

Please enter our **School Lottery**, visit

- www.yourschoollottery.co.uk/lottery/school/boldmere-infant-and-nursery-school and register to play. It only costs £1 per week. You could be the next 'BIG MONEY' winner!

A quick reminder of how else you can help - Please Please Please, take 5 minutes to sign up, this costs nothing to you and makes money for our kids.

- Shop through Easyfundraising, www.easyfundraising.org.uk register with us as your charity and the retailers will make a donation to the schools.
- Start shopping at Amazon Smile www.smile.amazon.co.uk register with us as your charity and whenever you buy with Amazon they donate to our schools.
- Does the company you work for 'Match fund' charity events? Would you consider match funding for us.

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.

BUSY BODIES NEWSLETTER:

Registration fees: Academic year Sept 2021/22. If you wish your children to continue attending Busy Bodies in September 2021, your annual registration fees must be paid no later than **Friday 2nd July**. Payments made after this date will not guarantee your child a place in September due to current numbers on our Waiting list.

New Receptions 2021 ONLY-Please be aware that we will be sending out Welcome packs later this week for all our new families joining Busy Bodies in September. Your acceptance letter will need to be returned to us **by Friday 9th July** to secure your child's place for the new academic year.

September booking forms/Parent contract form Your **September** booking form with your requirements, need to be with us no later than **Wednesday 7th July**.

Payment of fees: Please check and kindly ensure that your July fees are paid and up to date. Payment for September fees must be made to Parent Pay no later than Friday 27th August Thank you.

New reception Children: The above payment deadlines do not apply to your children, as you have not as yet been assigned a username for Parent Pay. The Infant School will inform us once you have been issued with these details. Once this has been actioned we will contact you to confirm payments of your child's registration and September fees.

'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.'