## **Boldmere Junior School**

# Weekly Newsletter

20 July 2021 No 37

Wow! What an incredibly challenging academic year for all of us, but we got through it together.

I would like to express my sincere gratitude for all of your support, understanding, appreciation, patience and kind words this year, they certainly have been very much appreciated and have helped a great deal.

I am very privileged to work in such a great Boldmere Community and all of your efforts this year are also appreciated.

I hope you all have a wonderful summer and take every opportunity to spend quality time with your families.

I would like to wish our year 6 leavers all the very best for the future and I am sure they will do really well at their new secondary schools. I also wish any year 6 parents who have no other siblings at our school, all the very best too! It has been my pleasure.

Happy Summer everyone! Have a great time!

We also take this opportunity to wish all of our families celebrating Eid al-Adha a very enjoyable time.

Mr Glasgow

We wish you all a very happy, safe and relaxing Summer. We are so proud of all the children at Boldmere and the incredible resilience, flexibility, joy and motivation towards their learning that they have shown.

I would also like to take this opportunity to thank all parents and carers for your continued support throughout this year. Thank you!

Government guidance for schools has been updated during this term, in the light of restrictions being lifted, and we will be working on making school as normal as possible in September. However, the school day will no longer be staggered so we would like to remind you that settle in

#### **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

time starts from 8:45, with the register being opened at 8:55. Please note that children will continue to be dismissed at 15:25. More information regarding this will be sent to parents on Thursday 2nd September.

#### <u>Culmington Manor – current year 5 (year 6 2021/22)</u>

A separate Parentmail will be sent out shortly regarding payment for Culmington Manor. Please check your ParentPay account to be sure that you are up to date with payment. If your child is eligible for pupil premium funding and you wish to use this funding for part/whole of the trip, please ensure that the school office is aware of this.

#### **Collection of belongings**

We are aware that for our classes isolating that they will be unable to collect their belongings at the end of this academic year. These have been collected up and put into bags ready for collection in September and they will be able to bring these home on their first day back.

### <u>Urgent - FAO year 5 parents (year 6 2021/22) - Secondary Transfer – September 2022</u>

A letter was sent out to all year 5 parents via Parentmail last week from Birmingham City Council regarding applying online for your child's secondary school place for September 2022. If you live in Birmingham you should apply for your child's secondary school place online at <a href="https://www.birmingham.gov.uk/schooladmissions">www.birmingham.gov.uk/schooladmissions</a> between 1 September and 31 October 2021. We will send out a hard copy of the letter in September via your child as a reminder.

#### Attendance

We will continue to work with families to support their attendance as we move into the new academic year.

#### **Holiday Learning Options:**

The Summer reading challenge is something we are really keen to encourage for all children. Sign up for the scheme at any library locally. Further information about this can be found in previous newsletters.

Our reading online programme Myon is available throughout the summer for children to access books and carry on with their quizzes.

You can continue to use TT Rockstars to practice your times tables!

#### **Busy Bodies News:**

#### Summer holidays.

We would like to take this opportunity to wish all our families a lovely summer break. We look forward to seeing all our returning parents and carers in the new academic year.

It has been an emotional last few days with our year 6 leavers, and we would like to say 'good luck in your new schools', make new memories

#### **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:

contact@boldmere.bham.s
ch.uk
yr4contact@boldmere.bham.s
ch.uk
yr5contact@boldmere.bham.s
ch.uk
yr6contact@boldmere.bham.s
ch.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 ageappropriate resources and information for parents and carers. These can also be found on your child's Google Classroom in the 'Parent Information' folder.

and keep up the hard work. Busy Bodies will miss all our leavers, best wishes in all that you do and keep in touch where possible.

#### **Community News:**

Disclaimer - The following community events/activities are for your information. Should you wish to obtain further information or attend, it is at parents' own discretion

A parent from our school has shared their on line tutoring information with us. Here is the link should you be interested: www.mcconnellsmaths.co.uk

#### **Lost Property**

A pink Iphone SE in a black case has been found on Beech Road. If anyone has lost this phone, please contact the school office and we will put you in touch with the person who has found it.

'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.'