



Dear Parents/Guardians

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General Information

Hands, Face, Space

Please can we remind parents to observe social distancing guidance during drop-off and collection times.

The wearing of masks on the school site has been suggested but it is not a legal requirement and remains parental choice. Please be advised however, that if staff cannot clearly identify a parent/carer collecting a child, you may be asked to lower or remove a mask to make identification easier. Staff will be extra vigilant during collection times to ensure that we continue to safeguard all children on site.

Covid-19 Related Pupil Absence

Attached to the newsletter is a quick reference guide for parents and staff regarding Covid-19 related pupil absence.

Contact With School

A reminder to please use the school email address enquiry@boldmere.bham.sch.uk for all correspondence relating to absence, parentpay, and general enquiries to the school office. The office is only open for emergencies. If you do need to speak to the office staff please use the hand sanitiser before entering school and strictly **one** adult or family at a time in the entrance area. Please wait outside until advised to enter. Please adhere to social distancing guidelines.

Delivery of items during the school day

To help reduce the need for the office staff to deliver items to children in their different class bubbles, please ensure your child brings everything they need with them at the start of the school day, e.g. coats, lunchboxes, water bottles etc. Thank you.

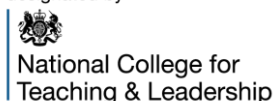
Nasal Flu Immunisation – Thursday 26 November 2020

We are writing to advise parents/guardians that NHS Birmingham Community Healthcare Immunisation team will be coming into school on Thursday 26 November to administer the Nasal Flue vaccination to year 3, year 4, year 5 and year 6 children. Consent forms will be sent home with your child **next** week. **The forms need to be completed fully, whether your DO or DO NOT wish your child to receive the vaccine. Please make sure you include a contact telephone number and return the form to school as soon as possible.**

Parent Consultations

Unfortunately, due to the current Covid-19 situation, we are unable to hold face to face meetings with parents as we would usually do during this half term. We will however be

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offering telephone appointments with your child's class teacher during week commencing 19 to 23 October. Further details will be sent out next week to parents.

Diary Dates

- **23 October – Break up for half term holiday**
- **2 November – School re-opens to all pupils.**
- **26 November – Nasal Flu Immunisation – yrs 3 to y6 pupils**
- **18 December – Break up for Christmas holidays**

Busy Bodies News

Early collection charges w/c 14th & 21st September – These have all now been calculated and debited to your parentpay accounts taking into account the changes of collection times w/c 21st September.

October Booking forms – Fees have now been debited for Infants and Juniors will be debited today. Please pay promptly, thank you. If your debit seems higher than your calculation on your booking form, it may be that we have had to recalculate to include early collection times. Please do not hesitate to contact us if you need clarification.

Busy Bodies Capacity – Due to the current situation that we are still in for the foreseeable future, Busy Bodies capacity has been substantially reduced due to year group bubbles and at times staff absence through isolation or illness. Unfortunately this leaves us with limited capacity to accommodate extra provision when required by parents at short notice. We apologise for this current situation we find ourselves in and will always endeavour to do our best and support you as much as we can.

PTA News

You should all now have received your Christmas card design forms from school, either already completed or blank for you to design at home. The deadline for card designs to be handed in is this Friday – **Friday 9th October**. Please fill in the form on the back and hand designs into school on or before this date.

Just a reminder that due to both schools now having a cashless policy, we will not be able to accept any cash or cheques attached to forms. A payment option has kindly been set up by both schools on Parent Pay where you can input your order total and pay for your Christmas card order there. If you have siblings then please pay for each child's order separately by their individual Parent Pay accounts.

If for any reason you have not received a design sheet – then there are spare copies in both the infant and junior school office. We look forward to seeing lots of colourful and festive designs. Please do continue to follow us on Facebook, Instagram and twitter.

Boldmere Library

The library is open for order and collect. Staff are in the library on Tuesdays and Thursdays from 10 am until 12 pm and 2 pm until 4 pm. and are able to offer a service where people can come to the door and staff will then select books for them to take away to read.

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