

Boldmere Junior School

Weekly Newsletter

12 October 2021

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Our current value is : RESPECT

Dear Parents / Carers,

On Monday we celebrated World Mental health day . Mr Hill taught us about some of the strategies we can use to help us support our mental health as well as how we can support others.

Thank you to all our staff who took the year 6 children on their residential last week and for the staff who planned an exciting curriculum for those in school. I really enjoyed the bug hunt!

All children who were in school enjoyed taking part in a live virtual author session with Michael Rosen. Thank you Mrs Mutch for organising this for us!

Covid 19:

For your information, we have had a rise in number of cases of Covid 19 in year 6 this week. Please continue to be extra vigilant and do not send children into school if they are displaying Covid 19 symptoms. Thank you for your continued support and for following government guidelines.

Covid Symptoms – Flow Chart

See attached a flow chart listing the three main covid-19 symptoms and action to be taken, which parents/guardians may find useful.

Rockstar Day – Monday 18 October 2021

A reminder that Rockstar Day will take place next Monday (18 October). Children can come to school dressed as a Rockstar and will be taking part in a whole school Rockstar competition, along with other times table activities for the day.

Harvest

See attached for details regarding Harvest at the junior school.

Online Author Visits

Please could parents of children in Year 3 and Year 5 contact the year group email if they are interested in purchasing a book from the online author visits, no later than Friday 15th October.

Road safety:

We have had a number on parents contact us concerned about safe parking during school pick up and drop off. Please do not park or stop on the zig zag

Our Celebrations!

Values Ambassadors:

3U: Flynn
3H: Ada
3P: Keaton
4M: Isabelle
4W: Aleeza
4K: Ben
5E: Jason
5PJ: William
5B: Ruby

Boldmere's Best Awards:

Assembly Ambassadors: 5PJ
Lunchtime Leaders: 4K
Marvellous Manners: 5E
Spick and Span: 5B
Responsible Role Models: 3U and 4M

House Points:

1st place – Kenilworth
2nd Place – Warwick
3rd Place – Stratford
4th Place - Lichfield

lines during the designated times, these are there to keep the children coming in and leaving school safe.

Parents' Evening Information

See attached details on how to access School Cloud regarding parents' evening.

Please also note that we are aware some of our **year 3** parents/carers have been unable to access the School Cloud to book appointments. We are currently working on this issue, which we hope will be resolved asap. We apologise for any inconvenience this is causing.

SEND Webinars in November

Please see the attached posters with details about three webinars that are available for Parents/Carers to book in November.

School Grid – School Meals – Dolce – Dietary Requirements and Allergy Information

An important reminder that if your child has any food allergies or specific dietary requirements, **that you should indicate this information on your child's School Grid account.** We also take this opportunity to remind you of the need to ensure that your child's meal choices have been indicated on School Grid in advance.

Music Lessons

It is now possible for parents/guardians to pay for their child's music lessons (cello, brass, woodwind and violin) via ParentPay for this term's lessons (Autumn term 2021). If you have not yet returned the music contract, please sign the contract and return it to the school office asap.

Busy Bodies:

November booking forms.

Forms are now available for collection from the Busy Bodies staff, junior school reception area and can also be downloaded from the Schools website. Booking forms are to be returned no later than next week **Wednesday 20th October**, to ensure that your requirements are accommodated after the half term holidays. **Fees must be paid in full by Monday 1st November.**

October fees.

Please ensure that you child's ParentPay account is up to date and your balance is clear. We will be unable to accept your requirements for November until your child's account has been cleared. We currently have a large waiting list of families looking to access our provision full time.

Please do not hesitate to contact the Busy Bodies Manager should you need to speak regarding your child's fees. Please be aware that payment for your childcare should be made prior to them accessing

Diary Dates

2021/22

Autumn Term 2021

Monday 4 to Friday 8 October

Year 6 residential trip to Culmington Manor

Wed/Thurs 20/21 October

Parents Evening – details to follow

Friday 22 October – half term

Monday 1 November – children return to school

Friday 19 November

Children in Need Fundraising

Friday 17 December

Break up for Christmas

PDD = Professional Development Day

Please note the PDD for academic year 2021/22

Tuesday 4 January – PDD – school closed to pupils

Wednesday 5 January – children return to school

Friday 27 May – PDD – school closed to pupils

Thursday 21 July – PDD – school closed to pupils

the provision and not after they have had provision given for the month.

Waiting list.

We are presently recruiting new staff for our lovely busy club, parents on our waiting list, thank you for your patience. We will be in contact with you after the half term holiday, to check that your requirements have not changed and hopefully we will be in the position to offer you a place for your children to attend our club.

PTA News:

DATES FOR THE DIARY -

The Firework Extravaganza is happening on **Friday 5th November.**

TICKETS ARE NOW ON SALE - Buy your tickets online www.pta-events.co.uk/boldmere

The tickets are only available through this website.

PLEASE NOTE - Tickets are only available in advance and ticket numbers have had to be reduced this year.

To avoid disappointment, please buy your tickets early. When the tickets run out we are unable to sell anymore more.

Doors open at 5.30 pm. Fireworks will commence at 7 pm. Tickets are £5 each and pre school children (under 4) are free of charge. Refreshments and kids treats will be on sale.

Events like this cannot go ahead without volunteer helpers. If you can marshal or help on a stall then please get in touch at boldmere.pta@gmail.com.

Community News:

Disclaimer - Any community events/activities mentioned in this newsletter are for your information. Should you wish to obtain further information or attend, it is at parents' own discretion

Boldtober is a series of 4 Saturdays in Boldmere that will include artisan market stalls, street performances, FREE children's entertainment and arts & crafts:

- Saturday 2nd October
- Saturday 9th October
- Saturday 16th October
- Saturday 23rd October

Come and join in the fun and explore Boldmere's large variety of independent retail shops from 10am to 3pm. Please see the poster attached.

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