



Dear Parents/Guardians

3 December 2019
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General Information

Sun Newspaper Book Tokens for Schools

A reminder that from every edition starting from 25/11/2019, you will be able to collect book tokens for school. We are aiming for 3,500 in total!!

Sibling Photograph Orders

Please hand in your orders to the school office by Thursday morning (5 December).

Volunteers Needed – Library, Boldmere Junior School

Would any of our parents/grandparents/extended family members be interested in volunteering weekly to support the librarians with the organisation of our school library. Ideally, this would be on a **weekly basis**, for instance from 8.30 am one morning per week for half an hour/hour. *Please contact the school office if you are interested in volunteering.* We will contact you to ask you to come into school for a brief discussion with Mrs Mutch, we will then organise a DBS check **prior** to your commencement as a volunteer in school.

Forthcoming Events-

Year 3 – Birmingham Museum and Art Gallery Trip – Thursday 5 December 2019

A reminder that this Thursday, year 3 will be attending the above. If you have not already done so, please send in your consent slip asap. Without your consent, your child will be unable to attend this trip. Voluntary donations should be made via ParentPay.

Please note the following assembly dates for next term:

- 5P Class Assembly – Wednesday 22 January 2020 – 2.45 pm
- 4K Class Assembly – Wednesday 26 February 2020 – 2.45 pm
- 4W Class Assembly – Wednesday 11 March 2020 – 2.45 pm


School Closure due to Voting (Polling Station)– Thursday 12 December

A reminder that both schools will be closed on Thursday 12 December due to voting.

Year 4 Nativity Assembly – FRIDAY 13 DECEMBER 2019 (PM)

A reminder that parents and guardians of children in year 4 are invited to attend this production, which will take place at 2 pm in the junior school hall on Friday 13 December 2019. A dress rehearsal will take place on the Wednesday morning (11 December). A letter was sent out last week giving you further details. Attached to the letter were two tickets.

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This school is committed to safeguarding and promoting the welfare of children and expects all staff and volunteers to share this commitment

Music Lessons – Cello

As the school will be closed on Thursday 12 December, cello lessons will take place on Friday 13 December instead. Please ensure your child has their instrument in school with them on that day.

Year 3 Tennis Lessons

As the school will be closed on Thursday 12 December, tennis lessons for year 3 will be rearranged. This also applies to Thursday 5 December when year 3 will be attending the Museum and Art Gallery trip. **We will confirm with you as soon as possible the new dates.**

Thank you to the PTA

We would like to take this opportunity to thank the PTA members and anyone else who was involved in organising the Christmas Fair last Friday. We would also like to thank parents/guardians who kindly donated items for the fair, as well as anyone who gave up their time to support this event. It was a very enjoyable and successful evening.

Thank you to the PTA for also funding towards some exciting new books for our library.

Christmas Jumper Day – Save the Children Fund -Friday 13 December

Children may wear a Christmas jumper on this day. We are asking for a voluntary donation of £1, which will go towards the Save the Children Fund charity.

Elfridges – Friday 13 December

For more details, see PTA news.

Christmas Parties – week commencing Monday 16 December

Christmas parties will be taking during the above week. More details will be sent to you from your child's class teacher:

- **Year 3 Christmas Party – Monday 16 December 2019**
- **Year 4 Christmas Party – Tuesday 17 December 2019**
- **Year 5 Christmas Party – Wednesday 18 December 2019**
- **Year 6 Christmas Party – Thursday 19 December 2019**

Year 5 Trip to Cadbury World – Tuesday 17 December 2019

Please send your consent slip to the school office asap. If you have not yet received a copy of this letter, please contact the school office. All voluntary donations to be made via ParentPay.

Christmas Service – St Michael's Church Boldmere – Friday 20 December

Children will be attending the above service at St Michael's Church on 20 December, which will commence at 1.45 pm. Parents/guardians are also invited to attend. The service should last approximately an hour. It will be possible for you to take your child home from the church. (a consent slip will be attached to next week's newsletter). Those children not collected from the church will walk back to school with their teacher and will be released at the end of the school day (3.35 pm).

Kingswood Residential – Year 6 (September 2020)

A letter will be sent out this confirming your child's place and advising of the date of the next payment.

Year 3 Singing Showcase – FRIDAY 24 JANUARY 2020 (PM)

A reminder that parent/guardians of children in year 3 will be invited to attend a ‘Singing Showcase’ which will take place on Friday 24 January 2020 at the junior school, during the afternoon. More details will be sent out in the New Year.

End of Term

School will closed for the school holidays on Friday 20 December (3.35 pm). Children will return to school on Tuesday 7 January 2020 (Monday 6 January 2020 is a Teacher Day).

Attendance for last week

The winners of our weekly Head Teacher’s certificate for the best attendance week ending 29 November 2019 were 3E, 3K and 4W. Whole School Attendance for week ending 29 November 2019 was 98.01%.

Yours sincerely

Mrs K Welch
Assistant Head Teacher

Community News – *Disclaimer – The following community events are for your information. Should you wish to obtain further information or attend, it is at parents’ own discretion.*

Veseyans Rugby Club, Little Hardwick Road, WS9 0SQ are looking to set up a **Special Needs team**, where the focus will initially be on non-contact rugby and a focus on training and learning skills. It would be held on a Sunday from 10 am to 11 am. Wasps will be supporting with setting this up, but we need children and teenagers to be interested. If anyone is interested they can contact Marc Harris and his phone number is 07852947212.

Sutton Town Football Club, Coles Lane, B72 1NL are also looking to set up a **Special Needs football team** and training would be 5 pm to 6 pm at Coles Lane (during the week but no day as yet confirmed). For more information please contact Richard Birch on 07876338452.

St Michael’s Church – Boldmere, warmly welcomes all to a ‘Place of Welcome’, every Wednesday morning from 9 am to 11 am. We offer:

- free tea, coffee, squash, toast, biscuits and mince pies
- second hand uniforms at 50p per item
- the Real Junk Food shop – buy supermarket products on a pay-as-you-feel basis, raise funds for the Real Junk Food Project Birmingham and help to reduce landfill waste.
- an opportunity to join discussion groups or a relaxed communion service

Boldmere Christmas Tree Festival – St Michael’s Church – Saturday 7 December – 8.30 am to 4.30 pm also Sunday 8 December – 2 to 4.30 pm Tea and Coffee Shop

Free entry to the displays. Breakfast café from 8.30 am until 11.30 pm. Tea/Coffee shop 11.30 am to 4.30 pm.

BUSY BODIES FAMILIES - IMPORTANT INFORMATION

Please be aware that there are **30 booking forms still outstanding for the month of December**. Booking forms have been available for the past three weeks and there have been several reminders in the Newsletter and at the Busy Bodies desk, therefore giving parents sufficient time to return their forms in order for us to register your child for this month and enable us to ensure adequate staffing.

If we have not received your form and fees, we will be unable to provide care for your child and they will be asked to wait in school reception for parents to be informed that they are not booked in to Busy Bodies.

Considering the time that we have given in order for forms and fees to be returned, I am surprised at the amount of forms that are currently outstanding. Please note that late forms can have an impact on the provision of care that we are able to provide. We would rather spend this time planning fun activities for your children to interact with, ensuring that their time with us is as memorable as possible.

PTA NEWS

Christmas Fair - Thank you so much for everybody that came to help with the Christmas Fair. Whether you donated something, worked in the day, came to man a stall, help tidy up at the end or just came as a punter and spent some money with us. We can't do these events without you and we are so so grateful for everything that you did to help. HUGE shout out to all of the lovely people that came on Monday morning to help put everything away.. thank you.

Christmas Elfridges – **SHOP IS OPEN**. For anyone that has not experienced the Elfridges shop before, here is a little explanation. We help your children buy affordable presents for their families. We set up a secret store where the "elves" are the only adults allowed. We buy a selection of gifts, then the children come to the store, in school time, and exchange their pre-paid ticket for a fabulous wrapped gift and your little one will attach their own label. The kids LOVE it, the independence they get from choosing the gifts themselves.. It really is a delight. Buy your tickets for the 13th December Elfridges store at <http://www.pta-events.co.uk/boldmere>

Leap Year Ball - **28th February 2020**. HALF THE TICKETS HAVE ALREADY GONE! If you want to get your glad rags on and have a fabulous evening with friends get your tickets early to avoid disappointment. Get tickets at www.pta-events.co.uk/boldmere