

Boldmere Junior School – Newsletter

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Dear Parents/Guardians

10 September 2019 No 2

General Information

Oliver Twist Production

Today, all of our children have enjoyed a production of Oliver Twist, provided by an outside drama company. Our year 6 children also took part in a workshop. Everyone seem to enjoy the experience.

<u>Attendance Letter – important message for all parents/guardians</u>

See attached a copy of the attendance letter for your information. A reminder that copies of the 'Exceptional Circumstances – Leave in Term Time' forms are available from the school office.

<u>School Meals – 2019/20 – Autumn Term</u>

A reminder that dinner money for this half term (September to October 2019) is £89.30. If you wish to pay weekly, the amount will be £11.75.

Roast Wednesday meal -15 weeks (whole term) = £35.25 (September to December) **Pizza Friday** meal -15 weeks (whole term) = £35.25 (September to December) If you wish to order both **Roast Wednesday and Pizza Friday** meals for the <u>term</u>, the amount will be £70.50 up to December.

<u>Please note - All dinner money MUST be paid for in advance via ParentPay of your child receiving a meal</u>

If your child is eligible for free school meals, please contact the school office and provide us with the relevant evidence for our records. Your details will be kept confidential.

FAO Year 6 Parents/Guardians - Important Message Re: Secondary Transfer September 2020

Online applications opened on 2 September 2019 for secondary transfer – September 2020. Applications can be made online through the Birmingham City Council website www.birmingham.gov.uk/schooladmissions until the deadline of 31 October 2019. Please ensure you are aware of this deadline. All the information you will need is available on the website www.birmingham.gov.uk/schooladmissions. More advice and support is also available from Children's Services on 0121 303 1888.

Reading Record Book

We are asking that parents send in their child's reading record book from last year into school, so that they can continued to use them this year. They need to have been sent in to your

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child's class teacher by Friday morning so that new reading books can be issued. If parents cannot locate the book or if it is in school/bag already then that is fine, the teachers can collect these in. This does NOT apply to year 3 parents.

Forthcoming Events-

School Photographer – Thursday 12 September 2019

A reminder that the school photographer will be in the junior school on 12 September to take individual photographs of the children at the junior school and any siblings at the junior school. However, he will be available from 8.15 am to 8.45 am at the junior school in the main hall to take any family photographs or photographs to include both junior and infant school siblings. All children will have their photograph taken, unless you have filled in and returned the slip at the end of last week's newsletter stating you DO NOT wish your child to have their photograph taken by the photographer or you have discussed with the school office.

Jeans for Genes Day – Friday 20 September 2019

More details will follow regarding this charity event.

<u>Boreatton Park – Year 6 Residential Trip – Parents/Guardians' Meeting –</u> Wednesday 18 September 2019 – 5 pm

'Back to School Brunch/Lunch Meal'- Tuesday 24 September 2019

The kitchen staff are offering a 'Brunch Lunch Menu' to celebrate the return to school. The menu for that day will consist of **Bacon**, **Sausage** (including vegetarian sausage), Hash Brown, Beans, Omelette and Toast and a Blueberry Muffin. For those children who normally have fish, there will be a fish choice. If your child usually brings sandwiches and would like to order a Brunch/Lunch meal on that day, please fill in the slip below and return it to the school office. We must receive your order in writing. You will also need to make your payment via ParentPay = (£2.35).

Please also note that any refreshments purchased from the kitchen at break times must be paid for in cash.

Toast – toast will be available for your child to purchase at morning break times at a cost of 20p per slice (half a slice for 10p).

Class Assembles for the Autumn Term

<u>6U's Class Assembly</u> – Wednesday 23 October 2019 – 2.45 pm – parents/guardians of children in 6U are invited to attend

<u>6T's Class Assembly</u> – Wednesday 13 November 2019 – 2.45 pm – parents/guardians of children in 6T are invited to attend

<u>5M's Class Assembly</u> – Wednesday 20 November 2019 – 2.45 pm – parents/guardians of children in 5M are invited to attend

<u>6F's Class Assembly</u> – Wednesday 27 November 2019 – 2.45 pm – parents/guardians of children in 6F are invited to attend

Please note that class assemblies now take place in the afternoon at 2.45 pm and NOT in the mornings.

Nasal Flu Vaccinations Wednesday 9 October 2019

Details regarding the Nasal Flu Vaccination programme will be sent out this week. If you have not received a copy of the form by Monday of next week, please let the office know.

Music Lessons

Unless otherwise advised, music lessons for our pupils in years 4, 5 and 6 will start week this week. HOWEVER, it does NOT include violin lessons, which will commence Tuesday 17 September. Payment for music lessons provided by the music service this term is £80. and must be payable in advance via ParentPay.

<u>Guitar Lessons</u> – vacancies – call Mrs Robinson on 0121 354 4234 or 07932395158. Please contact her direct for more information.

<u>Piano/Keyboard</u> – vacancies – Mr Henderson on 07986325994 – please contact him direct regarding further information.

<u>Lunchtime and After School Clubs – Autumn Term</u>

Information regarding lunchtime and after school clubs have been sent out. Please ensure you will be sent out over the next few days. No clubs will commence until week beginning 16 September 2019 at the earliest. You will need to send in your consent slips to the school office and make your payments via ParentPay by the closing dates.

Diary Dates

Attached to this newsletter is a copy of our Diary Dates for the Autumn term 2019. A copy of this will also be available on the school website.

Forthcoming School Trips

Conkers – year 4 – 26 September 2019

A reminder that year 4 will be taking part in a trip to Conkers. You will have already received a letter before the end of last academic year. Should you require a further copy, please contact the school office. All consent slips must be sent into the school office asap and your payment made via ParentPay.

Boreatton Park – Year 6 Trip – Kit List

A 'Kit List' has been handed out to all children in year 6 who are attending the residential trip. If your child has not brought home a copy, please collect one from the school office.

Whitemoor Lakes Residential Trip – Year 4

A reminder that the final payment for this trip must be made via ParentPay by 20 September 2019. The total cost of the trip is £82.75.

Busy Bodies News

May we take this opportunity to welcome back all our Busy Bodies' families, we hope you have all had a fantastic summer break and looking forward to this term.

September payments

Please be aware that all children registered for Busy Bodies have now be assigned to our ParentPay system. Please ensure that you check and pay for your child's September sessions immediate if you have not already done so. Should you have any queries with regards to your child's account, please do not hesitate to contact the Busy Bodies manager who will be happy to assist with your query.

October booking form.

Booking forms will be available from next week Monday16th September, so be sure to collect an October form and return it to Busy Bodies by Friday 27th

PTA news

Welcome back to the New Year and welcome to all new parents. We all want our children's learning to be a rewarding and enjoyable experience. The PTA do what we can supporting the school by raising money and providing essential things for the kids.

Please join us. Be part of a fabulous team. We are currently looking for help, people to join in with the roles, perhaps co-chair, co-secretary, sharing the responsibility to make the job a little easier. We are also needing a new treasurer as our current treasurer needs to step down. Please do get in touch if you're even slightly curious to find out about any of these roles. boldmere.pta@gmail.com

You'll gain massive satisfaction when you see the results and how much the children's education is enhanced by the money that we raise. Come and join us, make great friends and be part of the team.

We will be holding the AGM at the end of the month but please do get in touch if you would like to get more involved.

Have you joined our school lottery? For every £1 ticket that is entered, 40p goes back to the schools. Every week you have a chance of winning up to £25,000 while knowing you support YOUR school. Enter online now at www.yourschoollottery.co.uk Search for **Boldmere** School, register and you could be our next winner! Its easy.

Finally, if you want to join the PTA mailing list and receive information about our events and what we are up to, please let us know by sending your email address to boldmere.pta@gmail.com Any announcements will be sent out to the mailing list, but you have to be registered to receive them.

<u>Community News</u> — Disclaimer — The following community events are for your information. Should you wish to obtain further information or attend, it is at parents' own discretion.

<u>Plantsbrook School – Open Evening and Open Day Sessions – FAO year 6</u>

Open Day Sessions: Wednesday 11 September 2019 – 9.30 am start Open Day Sessions: Thursday 12 September 2019 – 9.30 am start

King Edward's School – Edgbaston Park Road, Birmingham B15 2UA

Open Morning: Saturday 14 September, 10 am to 12.30 pm

Stockland Green School

Stockland Green School's open evening is on:

Thursday 12th September - 5.00pm-7.00pm

"You are warmly invited to visit Stockland Green School where you will have the opportunity to meet staff in their departments, ask questions and take part in a variety of fun learning activities.

We would also like to share with you our history of examination success, which makes us one of the most attractive school in the local area. The progress our children make is consistently in line or above national average and we are proud of this.

Stockland Green School is heavily over-subscribed and we expect our waiting list to increase further following our successful Ofsted inspection. Please take the opportunity to see why Ofsted described us as a school in which "every pupil is valued".

Mrs N N Silverwood Head of School

WHOLE SCHOOL – BACK TO SCHOOL 'BRUNCH/LUNCH' – TUESDAY 24 SEPTEMBER 2019

Name of my child	lass
My child <u>usually bring sandwiches</u> on a Tuesday but would like to Order a 'Back to School 'Brunch/Lunch' on the above date (please ensure you have made your payment on ParentPay	
My child usually chooses the fish option and would like to choose fish on this day	

IF YOUR CHILD USUALLY HAS A HOT MEAL ON A TUESDAY, THERE IS NO NEED FOR YOU TO FILL IN A FORM, AS A MEAL WILL HAVE ALREADY BEEN ORDERED FOR YOUR CHILD.