

NEWSLETTER - NOVEMBER 4

Dear Parents

Christmas Newsletter

The Christmas newsletter was sent home with children on Friday. Attached was an order form to order your tickets for the children's Christmas performances. Thank you to all those who have returned orders. To avoid disappointment please return orders by Friday 1st December. As performances will be in the Infant school hall we can only allow two tickets per family due to limited space. As ever, the performance will be for adults only; pre-school siblings will be able to attend the dress rehearsals.

Clay Workshop

Y2 have been having a great time this week making lighthouses with Mr Gannon, our resident potter. We will display them in school when they are painted and fired. What a great end to our lighthouse topic.

Congratulations Board

Lucas Higgs (1C), Jack Rainbow (1E), Tyler Powell (1H), Asha Blackham (2B), Arthur Cartwright (2T), Oliver Ayers (2W).

Christmas Performances Schedule

Nursery - Christmas Songs
Wednesday 20th December
10.30am and 2.30pm
(NO TICKETS NEEDED)

Reception - Christmas Play
Monday 11th December
9.30am - dress rehearsal
Tuesday 12th December
1.45pm - main performance
Wednesday 13th December
1.45pm - main performance
(TICKETS ONLY)

Year One - Christmas Play
Thursday 14th December
9.30am - dress rehearsal
Thursday 14th December
1.45pm - main performance
Friday 15th December
1.45pm - main performance
(TICKETS ONLY)

Year Two - Christmas Songs
Monday 18th December
9.30am - dress rehearsal
Monday 18th December
1.45pm - main performance
Tuesday 19th December
1.45pm - main performance
(TICKETS ONLY)

Celebrating Attendance

Congratulations to RK, Kangaroo Class for achieving 99% attendance last week. Well done Kangaroos!

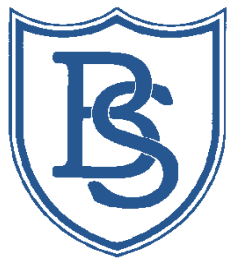
Values

As our value this half term is kindness you may want to take a look at the website www.actionforhappiness.org. It is a website which promotes 'a happier world' and it is currently encouraging people to spread kindness. There are lots of lovely ideas and resources for all members of the family. We have sent home their Kindness Calendar which you may want to complete at home with your children during December. In school we are going to be using an age appropriate version. Hope you enjoy spreading kindness.

Bike Track - Grand Opening

We are pleased to announce that our new bike track will be officially opened by former MP John Hemming tomorrow (Wednesday 29th November) at 2:30pm - all parents/carers are welcome to attend.





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Christmas Lunch

Sandwich children are welcome to join school dinner children for our Christmas lunch on Wednesday 6th December. A vegetarian option will be available. If your child would like a Christmas meal please advise Mrs Moore in writing by Wednesday 29th November.



Heating Failure/ Severe Weather and School Closure

In the unlikely event of a Local Authority decision to close Birmingham schools, a message will be broadcast through Radio WM, Free Radio and will also be put on the City Council disruption website and social media. In the case of a specific problem such as a heating failure at our school, a decision will be taken in consultation with the Chair of Governors and announced on the aforementioned radio stations. We will also contact parents who are registered with Parentmail via text message and email and information will be displayed on the school website.

DIARY DATES

27-29th November - Y2 Clay Workshop
8th December - non uniform day
11th December - 9:30 Reception Dress Rehearsal
12th & 13th December - 1:45 Reception Performance
13th December - Y2 Singing at New Oscott Village
14th December - 9:30 Y1 Dress Rehearsal
14th & 15th December - 1:45 Y1 Performance
18th December - 9:30 Y2 Dress Rehearsal
18th & 19th December - 1:45 Y2 Performance
20th December - 10:30/2:30 Nursery Christmas Songs
21st December - Christmas Parties
22nd December - 9:45 Christmas Service at St Michael's Church - **NURSERY CLOSED**
22nd December - Break up for Christmas holidays
8th January 18 - PD Day, closed to pupils
9th January 18 - School re-opens to all pupils
14th/15th February 18 - Parents Evening
16th February 18 - Break up for half term

Milk Letters

Milk letters have been sent home for the spring term. Order forms and payment must be received by 9am on Thursday 7th December at the very latest. If your child is in Reception please do not assume they will continue to receive milk even though they are under five. A new order form must be completed and sent to school. Spare letters can be obtained from the school office.

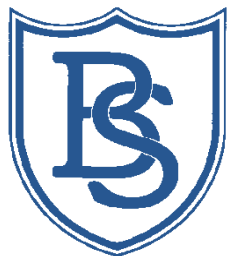
Lunchtime Clubs

As the pupils will be having their Christmas Dinner on 6th December the Y2 Streetdance club will take place on this day and Reception Multiskills will move to Friday 8th December for this week only.

Christmas Tree

A very big THANK YOU to Halls Garden Centre and the PTA for providing this year's Christmas Tree.





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PTA News

Thank you so much to everybody who has already sold their raffle tickets. Response has been so popular that extra tickets in the office ran out! These have now been restocked. If you sell your tickets and want some more you can pick them up from the infants school office. If you do not want to sell your tickets please return them to the school office so others can have them. All sold raffle ticket stubs and payment are to be returned by Wednesday 6th December in order for your child to be entered into the competition to win breakfast at the Harvester. On Wednesday your child will come home with a plain white paper bag. These can be decorated and we ask you to place a unisex gift item in it (worth at least a pound). These bags are for the Christmas fair. We ask for the bags to be returned on non-uniform day, Friday 8th December. On Friday (1st December) we are asking your child to bring in a donation of chocolate. Anything chocolatey! These donations will be used on the very popular chocolate tombola at the Christmas fair. We are still asking for volunteers to man a stall for an hour at the Christmas fair. Please do get in touch if you can spare an hour. Please contact us at boldmere.pta@gmail.com.

The Elfridges order line is now open. This is a strictly pre-order service. If you want your child to be able to pick a Christmas gift for a loved one then you can make your order at goo.gl/ChWXne (cut and paste this address) the online ordering will close on Monday, 11 December.

Inconsiderate Parking

Despite the fact that this was mentioned in last week's newsletter we have received further complaints from local residents. Our neighbours at Copenhagen Mews (over 55's scheme) are concerned that parents/carers are parking across/over their driveway which makes emergency access extremely difficult. Please DO NOT park across driveways - it can put vulnerable people at risk. Thank you for your co-operation.

Busy Bodies - Important Notices

Please be reminded that your December booking forms and fees MUST be handed in NO LATER THAN FRIDAY 1st DECEMBER. We will not be able to collect your child for the following week should we not receive a booking form with your fees as we have to staff for the amount of children booked in at the club. December's form is for a four week month, therefore you will need to fill out all four weeks including the first week back after the half-term being week commencing 8th January 2018. The first day back after the holiday will be a Professional Development Day and children will return to school on Tuesday 9th January. Thank you for your understanding in advance.

Mrs S Kenny
Head of School
28th November 2017

