



NEWSLETTER - NOV 5



Dear Parents/Carers,

Christmas has certainly started arrived at school this week! Staff spent the evening yesterday hanging decorations around school and it's beginning to look a lot like Christmas! We have re-cycled the socks used during Anti-bullying week (our odd socks day) and all children have added glitter and sparkles to help them look a little more festive. Rehearsals for Christmas plays are in full swing and we look forward to performances during the next two weeks. Our internal post delivery service starts on Thursday 1st December and Year 2 postal workers received their training this afternoon. I am pleased to say that all new Christmas staff are eager to start work! Please can I remind parents that cards must have the class name on the envelope to help with sorting and delivery.

A huge "Thank you" to Boldmere Hardware stores for donating two lovely trees to Infant and Junior school. They assure me that they have plenty more to go around! We are grateful for the donation and the tree is already decorated and proudly standing in the entrance hall.

Dogs

Polite reminder that dogs/puppies are not allowed on the school site, whether they are walking or being carried. The ONLY exception are guide dogs.

Parent And Pupil Feedback

Thank you to all parents and children who completed the online feedback forms during the last two weeks. The information shared was very useful in supporting our school improvement, and is currently being discussed by the senior leadership team. Actions generated from the feedback will be shared with parents/carers as appropriate. We are however, very pleased to see that 100% of the respondents agreed that their child was happy at school, 100% agreed that their child feels safe at school, and all would also recommend Boldmere Infant school to others. The survey results are attached to today's newsletter.

Nursery Admissions September 2023

Nursery registration forms to apply for a nursery place for September 2023 are available from the Infant school office.

Makaton Sign Of The Week

The new Makaton sign for this week is 'help'. Look out for the video on twitter of Mrs Dale demonstrating the sign.



Diary Dates

Friday 2nd December - PTA Christmas Fair

Monday 5th December - 9.30am, RI class Reception Christmas play.

Monday 5th December - 2.00pm, 1C class Year One Christmas play.

Tuesday 6th December -9.30am, RB class Reception Christmas play.

Tuesday 6th December -2.00pm, 1L class Year One Christmas play.

Wednesday 7th December-9.30am, RW class Reception Christmas play.

Wednesday 7th December-2.00pm, 1H class Year One Christmas play.

Thursday 8th December- Nursery Christmas activities.

Thursday 8th December - Children's Christmas dinner.

Friday 9th December - Flu Vaccination Team in school. Festive Jumper Day and PTA Elfridges.

Monday 12th December - 2.00pm, 2M class Year Two Christmas play.

Tuesday 13th December - 2.00pm, 2P class Year Two Christmas play.

Wednesday 14th December-2.00pm, 2B class Year Two Christmas play.

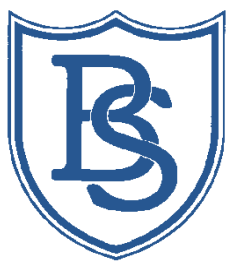
Thursday 15th December- Christmas party day for Nursery, Reception, Year One, Year Two and BIB.

Friday 16th December- Break up for Christmas holidays.

Tuesday 3rd January 2023- School closed for professional development day.

Wednesday 4th January- School re-opens to all pupils.

Friday 17th February- Break up for half term holidays.



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PTA Christmas Fayre Donations Reminder

Please send Infant lucky bags and chocolate donations (for the chocolate tombola) to school from tomorrow Wednesday 30th November. PTA members will be accepting donations each morning and afternoon and will be between the two schools with their red trolley! We look forward to seeing everyone on Friday night for the Christmas Fayre. Friday will be a non-uniform day, in exchange for donations for the event.

Festive Jumper Day Friday 9th December

This year we will be wearing our festive jumpers to support our local hospitals: the Queen Elizabeth Hospital Birmingham, Heartlands Hospital, Good Hope Hospital and Solihull Hospital. On Friday 9th December we are inviting children to wear a Christmas jumper (if they have one) or alternatively a brightly coloured jumper instead of their normal school jumper or cardigan. We ask that they wear the rest of their school uniform as usual. If you wish to make a donation we will ensure this is forwarded to the hospital charity on your behalf. Donations can be made via Parentpay. Let's join in the festive fun and spread some festive cheer!

Celebrating Attendance

Congratulations to Seal class 1H for achieving 98.33% attendance last week. Well done!

Congratulations Board

Reception - William, Archie & Zion.

Year One - Eli, Leon & Thea.

Year Two - Amelia, Ivy & James.

Christmas Lunch

We will be enjoying our Christmas lunch in school on Thursday 8th December. A vegetarian option will be available. If you would like your child to have a Christmas lunch in school on this day please order their choice via the Schoolgrid app. Contact the school office if you need help to do this.

Milk Letters

Milk letters will be sent home for the spring term this week. Order forms and payment via Parentpay must be received by Monday 12th December at the very latest. If your child is in a Reception class, 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 Club Letters For Spring Term 2023

Letters will be sent home this week for the lunchtime clubs next term. Please check your child's book bags for further information.

Reception Admissions - September 2023

The online application process is now live to register your child for Reception 2023. Please visit the website at:

www.birmingham.gov.uk/schooladmissions for further information.

The closing date for applications is **Sunday 15th January 2023.**

Year Two Parents Transfer from Year 2 to Year 3 September 2023

Letters were sent home before half term to all year two children.

The transfer from Year 2 to Year 3 online application form can be found by visiting:

www.birmingham.gov.uk/schooladmissions

The closing date for applications is **Sunday 15th January 2023.**

Ordering Lunches Via School Grid

Please can we remind parents that you need to order lunches for your child via School Grid.

Newsletter:

The weekly newsletter can also be found on the school website: <https://www.boldmere.bham.sch.uk>

PTA News

The PTA newsletter will be sent out separately on Thursday to all parents/carers.



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Boldmere Inclusion Base News From Mrs Preece:

Congratulations to:

Harper Rose in Giraffes for completing her Maths work.

Habiba in LK for demonstrating an enthusiastic attitude to transitioning across to her mainstream class.

Cole in ED/KM for showing our value of 'kindness' to his peers in class.

Thank you to PC Duncan Long for coming into the BIB to talk to us about Road Safety. Look out on Twitter for some of the photographs taken during the sessions.

Notices

Thank you to all of the Christmas Craft reply slips. We are looking forward to seeing you all. Any outstanding ones please send into your child's teacher.

Friday 2nd December is non-school uniform day. This is in exchange for donations for Christmas School Fair. If you are able, please donate the following items:

* items of chocolate to be brought in on Wed 30th Nov or Thu 1st Dec for Chocolate tombola "lucky bags" will be sent home for children to decorate and fill with an unused gift item to the value of at least £1 please (bring in Fri 2nd Dec)

We have previously requested photos of our BIB children with their families. Thank you to those of you who have sent them in before. Please can I make a further plea for photos to come into us, even if you have sent one in previously. The Infant School have a small display board for 'BIB families' that is currently empty and it would be lovely to have some of our families represented.

Our new Makaton sign is help. Please practice with your child at home. See if you can spot Mrs. Dale on Twitter showing how to sign help.



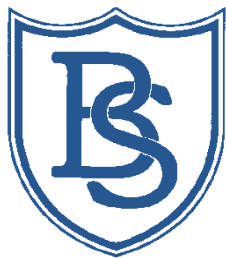
Busy Bodies News

December/January booking forms-

Forms are now available for collection from a Busy Bodies member of staff, at the junior school reception or downloadable from our school's website. December forms must be returned by Wednesday 30th November and fees are due in by Friday 2nd December.

Please be aware that January booking forms are also attached to the December form with a letter explaining what you need to do. Ideally, we would appreciate January booking form to be returned with your December forms, and by 14th December should you prefer.

Please do not worry, payment for January fees are not expected to be in until Friday 6th January. In this instance we ask that parents/ carers take a picture of their forms, so that you are aware of how much fees are expected to be paid for January fees and your requested dates.



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Christmas Holiday Camp

We are delighted to be teaming up with The KSA Group for another fun filled, action packed holiday camp at Boldmere.

Monday 19th - Friday 23rd December

8am-6pm £20.00 per child per day

9am-3.30pm £18.00 per child per day

8am-12.30pm £12.00 per child per day

1.30pm-6pm £12.00 per child per day

For Boldmere parents only, there is a **Black**

Friday deal which will end on Friday

2nd December at 8pm.

Further detail and booking information can be

found at <https://www.theksagroup.co.uk/venues>

Admissions Consultation Information

We have been asked by the Birmingham Admissions team to share the following information with you.

The proposed admissions arrangements for those Birmingham schools that are their own admission authorities and that have asked Birmingham City Council to facilitate the consultation on their behalf can now be viewed.

This consultation starts on **Monday 28 November 2022** and finishes on **Monday 9 January 2023**.

The proposed admissions arrangements can be viewed

here: [Proposed admissions arrangements 2024/2025](#)

Any comments on the proposed admission arrangements can be made here at the Birmingham City Council consultation website during the consultation period: [Birmingham Beheard](#)

Email addresses for correspondence specific to your child's class/year group.

bib-contact@boldmere.bham.sch.uk

nursery-contact@boldmere.bham.sch.uk

reception-contact@boldmere.bham.sch.uk

yr1-contact@boldmere.bham.sch.uk

yr2-contact@boldmere.bham.sch.uk

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29/11/2022