

NEWSLETTER - OCT 2



Dear Parents/Carers,

My first thanks today goes to all Parents and Carers who engaged with our workshops last week. Each event was extremely well attended and it is reassuring to see the positive response when working in partnership with us.

The presentations are now on the year group pages of the school website along with the 'Helping your child at home' leaflet.

As I walk around school on what is just our fifth week, I am pleased to say that most children are showing exemplary behaviour and have adjusted to the new routines in their classes and the expectations we have in school. Others, who require a little more support with transitions, are receiving this and I am sure will soon settle. As ever, if you are concerned about your child in any way, please speak to the class teacher/teaching assistant.

We do have Parents' evening sessions planned for **22nd and 23rd October** and you will be receiving further information regarding how to book an appointment very soon.

Last week we mentioned the wonderful support that our PTA provide to school each year, through their fund raising activities and events. The PTA AGM is taking place on **Monday 14th October at 7.30pm** in the Training Room and we would welcome new members to pop along for a drink with us and to find out all about the group. Their first event is approaching and as always we are looking for volunteers.

Sponsored walk

What a fun day we all had last Friday! Well done to everyone who completed our sponsored walk event at school. Please ensure that all sponsor money is paid via **ParentPay** and we will let you know what new resources we purchase for our outdoor learning, as soon as they arrive!

Reception Open Day

Will be held on
Wednesday 6th November at 9.30am and 5.00pm.
No booking is required, but we look forward to meeting prospective parents at the sessions.

Congratulations Board

Congratulations to these children who are on the Congratulations Board this week:

Year 1: Jacob, Rosie & Courtney

Year 2: Elliot, Zafreen & Oren



Diary Dates

Tuesday 22nd & Wednesday 23rd October - Parents Evening 4pm-6.30pm.

Friday 25th October- Break up for half term holidays.

Monday 4th November- School re-opens to all pupils.

Wednesday 6th November - School Open Day for Reception 2024, 9.30am and 5.00pm

Monday 9th December - 9.30am (RT) Penguin's Christmas Performance

Monday 9th December - 2pm (1L) Owl's Christmas Performance

Tuesday 10th December - 2pm (1H) Seal's Christmas Performance

Wednesday 11th December - 9.30am (RM) Hedgehog's Christmas Performance

Thursday 12th December - 9.30am (RI) Robin's Christmas Performance

Thursday 12th December - 2pm (1M) Meerkat's Christmas Performance

Friday 13th December - Rudolph Run for Birmingham Hospice

Monday 16th December - 2pm (2B) Bear's Christmas Performance

Tuesday 17th December - 2pm (2P) Frog's Christmas Performance

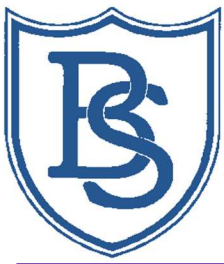
Wednesday 18th December - 2pm (2S) Lion's Christmas Performance

Thursday 19th December - Christmas Party Day

Friday 20th December - Church Service tbc

Friday 20th December- Break up for Christmas holidays.

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



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World Mental Health Day - Thursday 10th October

Exciting news this week, includes our recognition of World Mental Health Day on Thursday, which includes PE sessions for Year 1 children, with Matt from Rugbytots! We shall be talking to the children about mental wellness, through physical activity and healthy habits and making sure that our focus for the day is on attaining good mental health for everyone at school.

Children may wear an item of yellow clothing on **Thursday** to recognise World Mental Health Day.

School is supporting "**Wear it yellow**" the initiative from YoungMinds, which shows young people that they are not alone.

The website offers advice for children and parents so please visit the link below for further support.

<https://www.youngminds.org.uk/parent/>



[Parents Mental Health Support | Advice for Your Child](#)

Practical tips, advice and where you can get help if your child or teenager is struggling with their mood, feelings, or their behaviour seems different.

www.youngminds.org.uk

PTA Firework Event

Volunteers needed **Friday 8th November 2024** - Could You Volunteer?

Every Boldmere PTA Event relies on volunteers to organise and run them.

The Annual Boldmere PTA Fireworks show, on **Friday 8th November**, is a professional fireworks display and is well attended by the school and the wider local community.

The event needs a lot of volunteers in order to run safely and maximise the funds raised that will benefit your children attending Boldmere Infant and Junior School.

There are many opportunities to Volunteer, such as:- Marshalls, set up and clear up the event, prepare food, sell food and drink, sell treats and flashing toys, we also need help to organise, hire goods, purchase stock and coordinate volunteers for the event.

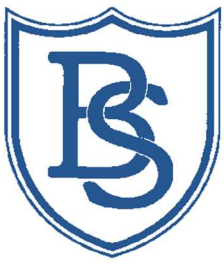
All the roles and details of what is involved and the times you're required are on our website.

All volunteers receive free entry to the event and those helping at the event will get refreshments, all as a gesture of thanks for your time and resource volunteered to the PTA.

Please see the "Can you help?" section of our website <https://www.pta-events.co.uk/boldmere> and sign up to help the PTA raise funds that will benefit your children.

Allergies/food intolerances

If your child has any allergies, please ensure that this information is added to School Grid (Dolce) when you register your child for school meals. This must be completed in addition to notifying the school office. Dolce manage our lunch provision and it is parent's responsibility to provide food allergy information directly to Dolce via the online portal.



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Reception Admissions - September 2025

A ParentMail was sent out to all Nursery children yesterday.

The online application process is now live to register your child for Reception 2025. Please visit the website at: www.birmingham.gov.uk/schooladmissions for further information.

The closing date for applications is **Wednesday 15th January 2025.**

Year Two Parents

Transfer from Year 2 to Year 3 September 2025

A ParentMail was sent out to all Year 2 children yesterday.

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 **Wednesday 15th January 2025.**

School Council- Year One and Two

We are looking to elect new school councillors for 2024-2025!

The Department of Education reinforce the need *"to create and enforce a clear and rigorous expectation on all schools to promote the fundamental British values of democracy, the rule of law, individual liberty and mutual respect and tolerance of those with different faiths and beliefs."*

One of the many ways we promote British values within school is our school council which consists of representatives from each class in years one and two. They meet every half term with an adult, who this year will be Mrs Mason. It is an ideal opportunity for pupils to get more involved in the way a school is run. It is the responsibility of each councillor to ensure that they express both their own views and the views of all the other pupils they represent from their class. The councillors have to be voted in by the children in their class. To help the voting system if your child would like to run for a place on the council then we ask that they write a couple of sentences explaining why they would be good for the job. If we could ask that these be sent in to school for the class teacher by **Friday 11th October**, then teachers will carry out the vote during the week.

The new school council will be announced in the last week of the term.
Good luck candidates!

Busy Bodies

November booking form

The November booking form will be available to collect and download from **Wednesday 16th October** and will need to be returned by the following **Wednesday 23rd October** with fees to be paid by **Friday 25th October.**

School clubs

If your child is attending a school club, please state this on your booking form. If your child is returning to Busy Bodies after the club, the whole session will need to be paid for.
Thank you.

Ordering Lunches-School Grid

Please can we remind parents that you need to order lunches for your child via School Grid. If your child is absent from school, please remember to cancel any ordered lunches as soon as possible to help reduce any wasted meals.

Respect for our grounds

Please can I remind all parents and carers that children are not allowed to play on the gardens and borders of any playgrounds, or the wellbeing garden at the front of school. Children are reminded of these rules throughout the course of the year however, parents may not be aware of the expectations that we have.

We kindly request that parents/carers ensure children are kept safe on the school grounds, show respect for our school environment, and come into school each morning calm and ready to learn.



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ASTON VILLA Foundation
OCTOBER 2024 HALF TERM
SOCCER SCHOOLS



ASTON **HARBORNE** **SOLIHULL** **SUTTON GOLDFIELD**

Time: 9:30am - 3:30pm
Dates: Mon 28th Oct - Fri 1st Nov
Age: 5 - 12



Sports Plus Scheme

October Multi Sports Camp

VENUE
 Sutton Coldfield College
 Lichfield Road
 B74 2NW

Monday 28th October - Thursday 31st October
 9.00am - 3.00pm
 Opens to 5-11 Year Olds

Sports include Football, Dodgeball, Cricket and many more

[Click here to book or scan the QR code](#)



Absences & Lateness
 Please can we remind all parents/carers that you need to call (01214642338) or email enquiry-inf@boldmere.bham.sch.uk before **9am** in the morning if your child is going to be absent from school (illness or Religious Observance) or if they are going to be late for any reason. If we have not heard from you then a call will be made to you as part of our responsibility to safeguard children. Thank you.

Medical Appointments
 A reminder that if your child will be absent from school, arrive late or have to leave early due to a medical appointment we do need to see some evidence in the school office. We will need to keep a copy of this to support your child's medical attendance mark on the registers.

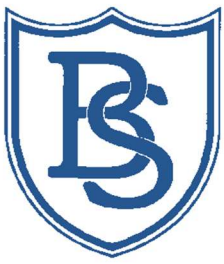
Contact Details
 It is essential that parents/carers inform us whenever home addresses, mobile telephone numbers or any other contact details change. We must be able to get in contact with a parent at all times.

Welcome to our Boldmere Family!
 Congratulations to Zachary and his family on the safe arrival of a beautiful baby boy, Louis!
 We look forward to seeing you in school!



Dolce School Catering
 If you would like to contact Dolce our school catering company regarding anything to do with school lunches please contact them via customercare@dolce.co.uk





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BIB Newsletter for week beginning 7th October 2024

Congratulations to the Stars of the Week

Bernard in Giraffe class for following the new school routines and being happy in school.
Harper Rose in ED for super behaviour all week.
Sam in LK for super behaviour and focus in learning.
Kaleel in Giraffe class for working well with Alison.
Parker in ED for being super helpful in class.
Aleen in LK for working hard in Maths lessons.



Mrs Dale and Mr Jordan's PE Champions

All children as they worked well for both Mr Jordan and Mrs Dale.
Bernard in Giraffe class
Thierry in ED
Yasmin in LK

For Your Information:

Thursday October 10th is Mental Health awareness day- Children can come dressed in yellow if they wish and are comfortable to.

Parents Evening **Wednesday 23rd October**. Letters to follow.

Break up for half term **Friday 25th October**.

Save the date- Christmas Craft afternoon will be **Tuesday December 10th**



We are in desperate need of any spare uniform, socks and underwear for the BIB children.
Any donations gratefully received.

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



School Emails

The two new separate Email addresses for Infants/Juniors are:

enquiry-inf@boldmere.bham.sch.uk

enquiry-jun@boldmere.bham.sch.uk



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Head of School
7/10/2024