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Dear Parents/Carers,

Our penultimate week for this half term shares a few important reminders.

Parents Evening is being held on

Wednesday 22nd and Thursday 23rd October between 3.45 and 6.30pm.

Appointments are made via School Cloud logins (further information sheet is attached) but **the meetings are face to face at school**. Appointments will open to parents on Wednesday 15th October at 9.00am and will close on Monday 20th October at 4.00pm. Please note that the meetings are for 10 minutes and children are not to attend on this occasion. There will be opportunities later in the year for children to attend the evenings.

The first **Parent Class Rep** meeting of the year is this Wednesday at 9.10am. We look forward to seeing class reps and sharing a few ideas over a coffee and catch-up.

Financial contributions for **Enrichment afternoons** -please ensure that all donations are paid via ParentPay -so far, we have only received donations from 52% of families. The activities planned for these afternoons includes cooking and sewing tasks which both have cost implications. Please can we urge all parents to help school fund these activities, all of which are in addition to our statutory curriculum offer.

Sponsored walk donations -a huge **£2500** has been raised from this event! Forest school resources will be purchased soon and hopefully will arrive after half term for us to utilise in our lessons. Mr Meakin, Mrs Hewitt and Mrs Lucas have all returned from their Forest school training last week and have grand plans for the delivery at school! Thank you to all three staff for committing to the project, and to PTA who have funded their training.

Staff car park -please can parents refrain from using either of the staff car parks when dropping and collecting children from school. Both are for staff only and the gate between the two areas will not be accessible to parents/carers from this week.

Bike track/field area -please note that for the safety reasons, children and parents should not be using the bike track area before or after school.

If you are seen to be using this area, staff will ask you to leave.

And one final piece of exciting news today....

We have collected **Bibi the Bull** from his summer adventures on the Bull Trail. The Birmingham Hospice event during the summer has been hugely successful yet again, and we hope that everyone had chance to find our Boldmere Infant Bull on the trail. His new home is now beside the Boldmere Bear in our Library area, and the children have all loved seeing his return!

We have further events planned to support Birmingham Hospice next term keep a lookout in our newsletters.



Diary Dates

Wednesday 22nd & Thursday

23rd October - Parents Evening 4pm-6.30pm.

Friday 24th October- Break up for half term holidays.

Monday 3rd November- School re-opens to all pupils.

Thursday 6th November - School Open Day for Reception 2026

Monday 8th December - 9:30am (RI) Robins Christmas Performance

Tuesday 9th December - 9:30am (RM) Hedgehogs Christmas Performance

Wednesday 10th December - 9.30am (RW) Penguins Christmas Performance

Monday 8th December - 2pm (1L) Owls Christmas Performance

Tuesday 9th December - 2pm (1M) Meerkats Christmas Performance

Wednesday 10th December - 2pm (1S) Lions Christmas Performance

Monday 15th December - 2pm (2U) Parrots Christmas Performance

Tuesday 16th December - 2pm (2G) Seals Christmas Performance

Wednesday 17th December - 2pm (2B) Bears Christmas Performance

Friday 19th December- Break up for Christmas holidays.



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OTHER SEASONAL DATES ...



Friday 12th December -
Rudolph Run for Birmingham
Hospice

Thursday 18th December -
Christmas party day

Friday 19th December -
Church service tbc

Reception Admissions - September 2026

An email was sent out to all
Nursery children last week.
The online application process is
now live to register your child
for Reception 2026. Please visit
the website at:

**[www.birmingham.gov.uk/school
admissions](http://www.birmingham.gov.uk/school-admissions)** for further
information.

The closing date for
applications is
Thursday 15th January 2026.

Year Two Parents Transfer from Year 2 to Year 3 September 2026

An email was sent out to all
Year 2 children last week.

The transfer from Year 2 to
Year 3 online application form
can be found by visiting:
**[www.birmingham.gov.uk/schoola
dmissions](http://www.birmingham.gov.uk/school-admissions)**

The closing date for
applications is
Thursday 15th January 2026.

Harvest Festival

will take place in school on **Friday 24th October.**

In R.E. the children are learning about Harvest Festival.
This has included thinking about where our food comes
from as well as the people who produce and harvest our
food. We have also talked about why we celebrate
Harvest time and give thanks for the food we have.

As part of our Harvest celebrations, once again we would like to support the
Aston and Nechell's foodbank. Each year Suzi, the foodbank project
manager, is overwhelmed by the generosity of our Boldmere family.

They have provided us with a shopping list of items that are needed and
would appreciate any donation, however small, from this list: long life milk,
long life fruit juice and cordial, tinned fish, tinned fruit, tinned meat, tinned
rice pudding, coffee, tea bags, vegetarian tins, pasta sauce, baked beans,
deodorants, shampoos.

School council children will be collecting all items from tomorrow until

Thursday 23rd October.

We thank you in advance for your generosity.



Parking

The safety of your children when using the roads
and pavements around school are of paramount
importance.

Illegal and inconsiderate parking around school
continues to be an issue for local residents and
staff are regularly moving vehicles along where they were double parked or
blocking driveways of local residents.

I would like to reiterate again that we should not be causing safety concerns
or be affecting the lives of local residents during drop off or collection
times.

The BCC link for reporting illegally parked vehicles is below and I would urge
all parents/carers who see traffic violations to report the incidents.

**[https://www.birmingham.gov.uk/info/20109/parking/1983/report_an_illegal
y_parked_vehicle](https://www.birmingham.gov.uk/info/20109/parking/1983/report_an_illegal_vehicle)**



Parent Class Representatives

We have our first Parent Class Representatives meeting on **Wednesday
15th October at 9.10am.** Our current Reps are listed below but we do still
have vacancies. If your class does not have a representative, please consider
taking up the role and contact school to discuss further. RM -Sarah S &
Thomas D, 2U Celine B, 2G Rebecca J, 1S Lynsey B, 1M Rebecca J, 1L
Charlotte B.



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Arbor Update

We are in the process of updating our information system for all pupils.

The system, called Arbor, contains all pupils contact details, emergency contacts, who can collect and medical information etc, so it is very important this information is kept up to date. In the future, this will also be the primary method of the school communicating with you, which you can do via PC or by downloading the Arbor app.

We will be sending out log in details for this system next week and we need you to log in and check that all of the information for your child/children is correct. Please note: anyone using Busy Bodies already has a log in so will not receive any further details.

Please look out for the log in request via email next week and contact us if you have any questions.

Thank you.



Busy Bodies families.

NSPCC Talk PANTS

A reminder that on Tuesday 14th October, the infants school children attending the afterschool club will be revising the talk Pants information provided by the NSPCC. On Wednesday 15th October, Junior school children will also be revising the same information. All will be at the right age and stage for each group of children.

A reminder about safety rules, appropriate behaviours within the club and community and a safe adult to talk to will be revisited. Last week we sent communication to parents to remind you that you can speak with your little ones about this and information can be sourced at the NSPCC website:

<https://www.nspcc.org.uk/advice-for-families/pants-underwear-rule/>

Lunch boxes

May we politely remind parents/carers that if your child has a lunch box for Busy Bodies, please name and label these as we put the boxes away in the fridge to keep them fresh during the school day.

Next week activities:

We will have a variety of Diwali and Halloween craft and activities for the children to engage with.

On Wednesday 22nd October, we will be using Henna in our craft activity. Children attending the club will be able to have a Henna design on their hands if they wish.

Should you wish for your child not to take part in this activity, kindly inform the Busy Bodies Manager via email:

busies@boldmere.bham.sch.uk

Thank you for all your support and should you have any questions, please get in touch with us.

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.

Ordering Lunches Via 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.



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BIB Newsletter w/c Monday 13th October 2025

Giraffes

The Giraffes have had a fun-filled week packed with creativity and adventure! We have decorated our beautiful Diva lamps, after making them last week, in celebration of the season, using lots of colour and sparkle. The children also went on a lovely autumn walk, where they explored the changing environment and collected natural treasures like leaves, sticks and conkers to use in their model-making activities back in class.

To top it all off, we had a very special visitor - the bear from *We're Going on a Bear Hunt*!

The children loved meeting him (aka Miss O'Connor and Mrs Boylan) and joining in with storytelling.

Puffins

This week, Puffins class have been engaged in a variety of enriching activities that supported both their creativity and developmental skills. During Forest School sessions, the children explored the natural environment and used collected items such as leaves and acorns to create detailed models with playdough. They also took part in parachute games, designed to enhance their listening and attention skills in a structured yet enjoyable setting. In their cooking activity, the children demonstrated creativity and fine motor skills by making apple monsters. It has been a productive and enjoyable week for all.

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 manages our lunch provision and it is parent's responsibility to provide food allergy information directly to Dolce via the online portal.

Thank you.

Forgotten Items

Please ensure that your child has all the items that they need when they arrive for school including book bags, lunches, water bottles, coats and hats to minimise disruption to children and staff during the school day.

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

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



Reception Open Day

The reception open day will be held on

Thursday 6th November

at 9.30am and 1.30pm

No booking is required, but we look forward to meeting prospective parents at the sessions.

Mrs S Kenny
Headteacher

14/10/2025

Sharing recipes!

Please find attached a recipe for 'Magic Bean Bake' which the children at the Pudding & Pie Club thoroughly enjoyed making last week! Hope you have fun making it again at home!