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Dear Parents

Harvest Festival

On Friday 25th October we will be joining the Juniors at St Michael's Church for a Harvest Celebration for children only; we are not able to invite parents due to lack of space. As part of our Harvest festival we are supporting the church in their collection for the Aston and Nechells' Foodbank which provides emergency food for local people in crisis. In order to collect a variety of food items, each year group has been allocated a type of food from the foodbank's donation list. We would ask that children bring in one item that is non-perishable and in-date as follows: Nursery - Tinned Fruit **Reception - Tinned Vegetables** Year One - Tinned Rice Pudding Year Two - Toothpaste and Toothbrushes All donations will be gratefully received. If you could send your items into school by Thursday 24th October it would be much appreciated.

Parents' Evening 23rd and 24th October - 4pm-6.30pm

Appointment times will be sent home this week.

These appointments are for <u>parents only</u>. There is the opportunity for your child to come to our celebration evening in the summer term, so we ask that they do not attend the appointments next week.

Nursery and Reception Sponsored Walk

Thank you to everyone so far who have sent in sponsorship money for our annual sponsored walk. Sponsorship monies can be paid in via Parentpay or by cash sent in to school. All monies raised will be spent on updating our outdoor resources. Please help support our school.

Aldi Get Set to Eat Fresh Vouchers- Final Push!!

Please can we ask you to keep on collecting the vouchers from Aldi, we have collected over 300 vouchers already, enough to get a school sports kit and to be entered into the chance to win £20,000. It would be great if we could get enough for two sports kits and two chances at winning £20,000 so please keep collecting the vouchers. You may need to ask at the tills for them. The last day to bring them in will be **Friday 25th October**.

Children's Photographs

The proof photographs were sent home at the end of last week. The deadline date for returning your order is Friday 18th October.

Club Letters for after Half Term

Lunchtime club letters for years One and Two will be sent home in your children's book bags this week. Please make sure the completed forms are returned to school and payment is made via Parentpay by Wednesday 23rd October. Reception classes will have the opportunity to take part in clubs later on in the school year.



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DIARY DATES

17th October - RM Stay and Play 18th October - RK Stay and Play 23rd & 24th October - 4:00-6:30pm Parents' Evening 25th October - Harvest Festival at St Michael's Church-children only 25th October - Break up for half term holidays 4th November - School re-opens to all pupils 6th November - 2020 Reception Open Day-10.30am, 2.00pm & 6.00pm 11th & 13th November - 9.00-10.30 Y1 Maths Workshop 12th November - 9.00-10.30 Reception Maths Workshop 14th & 15th November - 9.00-10.30 Y2 Maths Workshop 10th December - 10:30 & 2:30 Nursery Christmas Songs 11th December - 1.45 Reception Dress Rehearsal 12th December - 9.30 & 1.45 Reception Performance 16th December - 1,45 Y1 Dress Rehearsal **17th December** - 9.30 & 1.45 V1 Performance 18th December - 9:30 Y2 Dress Rehearsal **18th December** - 1:45 Y2 Performance 19th December - Christmas Parties 20th December- Nursery closed for current pupils 20th December - 9:45 Christmas Service at St Michael's Church **20th December** - Break up for Christmas holidays

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PTA News

BOLDMERE PTA FIREWORK EXTRAVAGANZA - Friday 8th November - TICKETS NOW ON SALE at www.pta-

events.co.uk/Boldmere

Can you help on the 8th November? We need volunteers. Are you willing to show off your BBQ skills and cook sausages and burgers at the event? Can you help sell the food and drinks? Perhaps you would like to help marshal while watching the event? Finally if you can stick around for half an hour after the event has finished, we would be very grateful for help clearing up. Please, please get in contact with the PTA on Facebook or at boldmere.pta@amail.com if this is anything you can help us with.

DATE FOR THE DIARY - CHRISTMAS FAIR -Friday 29th November 2019 -

, more details to follow.

Barnaby Bear

Barnaby Bear is looking forward to our half term break and would love spending some time with families during the holiday. If you would like Barnaby to come home with you, please write Mrs Kenny a letter telling her about all the fantastic adventures you might have.

Newsletter:

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

Reception Parents Reading Meeting and Stay and Play Sessions

Thank you to all parents who came along to the reading meeting on Monday morning, we hope that you found the meeting informative. Thank you also to the parents who attended the Penguin Class Stay and Play session this morning. We hope you enjoyed your time with your child and were able to see how the speech, language and play skills are put in to practise. We would be grateful if you could return the feedback forms as soon as possible.

Stay and Play 9.00am to 10.30am RM - Thursday 17th October RK - Friday 18th October

Celebrating Attendance

Congratulations to Kangaroo class for achieving 100% attendance last week. Well done!

Congratulations Board

Year One - Hattie, Micah and Hettie. Year Two - Logan, Jonas and Ben P.

Golden Table:

This week the following children have been nominated for the Golden Table in the dinner hall: Ben, Holly, Jack and Uzair from

Turtle Class and Elizabeth, Finley, Theo and Mason from Hedgehog Class.

Thank you children.

Up to Date MAT information

Information can be found at: https://www.boldmere.bham.sch.uk/pare nts/mat-information Year Two Parents Transfer from Year 2 to Year 3 September 2020 The transfer from year 2 to year 3 online application form can be found by visiting: www.birmingham.gov.uk/schooladmi ssions

The deadline is 15th January 2020.

Busy Bodies - Important Notices

<u>October fees-</u> Please be aware that fees for October are now overdue, if you have not already paid for this month, please do so immediately. ParentPay reminders will be sent out by Wednesday 16th October.

November forms and fees-For this month it is essential that all parents/carers return their booking forms for November by Wednesday 23rd October. We require your forms a few days earlier because this will give us ample time to ensure that registers and staffing are ready for when we return after the half term holidays. Fees are due in as per normal by the last Friday of this month.

Should you have any queries about your fees, please contact the Busy Bodies manager.



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Birmingham City Council - Schools - Walk to School Month

This month is 'Walk to School Month'. Pull on your autumn boots and join thousands of children across the globe celebrating the walk to school. Children today can often miss out on outdoor play, exercise and basic life skills such as independence and road safety. Walking to school can help teach children to properly observe their environment, to interact with family and friends and to develop essential skills under the safe supervision of guardians.

Autumn is a time when traffic around the school gate can become a major problem. You can do your bit to reduce traffic and air pollution (https:www.birmingham.gov.uk/cleanair) by leaving the car at home whenever possible. If you have to drive, always park considerately, well away from the school gate and turn your engine off when waiting for your child. Read more about ways you can reduce air pollution. To make walking to school even more fun, we have created some I spy and scavenger hunt sheets to use on the way. Download sheets from https://www.birmingham.gov.uk/download/1718/walk_to_school_activity_sheets



Savantha Kenny

Mrs S Kenny Head of School 15/10/2019



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