



NEWSLETTER - SEPT 3



Dear Parents/Carers,

Last week we were very pleased to see how well our new **Nursery and Reception children** settled. They are all becoming more familiar with the routines of the school day, the adults working with them and the layout of the school. We are still having to redirect a few who take a wrong turning down the corridor but with the help of Year 1 and Year 2 children, the days are running smoothly!

During lunchtimes, staff are supporting children with their **cutlery skills**, table manners etc but please could we ask that **parents/carers all practice cutting up food at home**. It is such an important skill to develop, and we do have expectations that children all try to cut up their food and become independent when eating their dinners.

Staff had a busy week last week, in addition to teaching in class. The Senior Leadership Team undertook our **Statutory Fire Marshall training** and all Early Years staff attended a two day **Paediatric First Aid** course on Thursday and Friday. Under new Early Years guidance from September 2025, this is now a statutory requirement. Thank you to Mrs Mason for ensuring that we have the necessary training in place, and thank you to all staff at school who helped provide cover whilst the Nursery and Reception staff were in training. It was a little hectic and you may have noticed different staff in your child's class during the two days.

This week we are pleased to be celebrating **European Languages day on Friday** - information was shared in the year group newsletters on Friday and we are looking forward to children sharing their knowledge of languages during assembly.

Next week we have a busy few days, including **Parent workshops** for each year group and our annual sponsored walk on Friday.

Workshops all start immediately after drop off, at approximately **9:10am** and will last up to an hour.

Tuesday is Year 1, Wednesday is Y2 and Thursday is Reception.

Please note that these sessions are information sharing sessions and not an opportunity to work with your children. Tea, coffee and a biscuit or two will be available! Further workshops in the Spring term will facilitate the collaboration with your children.

Our **sponsored walk** will take place on Friday 3rd October and this year, we are excited to be raising money for **Forest School Resources** to support our enrichment programme across school. **Sponsor forms** will be sent out this week and ParentPay will also be set up to receive sponsor money.

We always have a super day and we thank you in advance for your support. And finally.... next Friday is **National Teaching Assistant Day** and we would love parents/carers to get involved! Further details and a link to show your appreciation for our amazing Teaching Assistants is on the next page.

Diary Dates

Tuesday 30th September -

Year 1 parent workshop

Wednesday 1st October -

Year 2 parent workshop.

Thursday 2nd October -

Reception parent workshop

Friday 3rd October - Whole school sponsored walk.

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.

Friday 19th December - Break up for Christmas holidays.

Congratulations Board

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

Year 1: Patrick, Sami & Leo

Year 2: Louie, Harry & Elias



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.



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National Teaching Assistants' Day

National Teaching Assistants' Day is an awareness day on **Friday 26th September**.

Schools across the UK celebrate the essential, yet often under-recognised, role of teaching assistants. Teaching assistants work long hours in classrooms across the UK. Their vital work to support children's education has always deserved greater recognition. We are very lucky to have an amazing team of teaching assistants here at Boldmere and, this year, we would like to share messages directly from our parents to show them our thanks.

If you would like to share a message of thanks to our teaching assistants, please leave a message below. These will all be shared with our wonderful team on Friday.

Many thanks for taking the time to show how much we appreciate them!

<https://forms.office.com/e/przbmwsXwA>

Boldmere Family Displays

We consider our school to be a very large family, therefore we would love your child to bring in a family photograph next week.

We want to make a whole school "Boldmere Family" display to celebrate how families and schools work together.

Please note that photographs are being used for a display so they may fade or be pinned (a copy or spare photograph is ideal).

If you have sent in photographs in previous years, we will re-use those.

World Themed Lunch on Census Day

Lights, Camera, Lunch!

Get ready for an unforgettable lunchtime experience at school with our

'A Day at the Movies' themed menu!

We're rolling out the red carpet for your children with a fantastic selection of cinema-inspired food.

We will be having a World themed lunch on

Thursday 2nd October.

We would like to have the absolute maximum number of children possible having a free school dinner on this day. The funding of dinners for the rest of the year is based on the number of dinners provided on that day and it is really important that we claim all possible funding for Boldmere Infant School. We completely understand that some children and families prefer a packed lunch but would ask for as much support as possible.

To order your child's dinner please visit

School Grid.

If you need any help with this the school office will be happy to help.



DAY AT THE MOVIES

2nd October 2025
Census Day

MAINS

- MARGHERITA PIZZA (V)
- BBQ CHICKEN PIZZA
- PEPPERONI PIZZA
- PLANT BASED FRENCH BREAD PIZZA (VG)
- JACKET POTATO & CHOICE OF FILLINGS

SIDES

- POTATO WEDGES
- COLESLAW
- SWEETCORN

DESSERT

- POPCORN CRISPY CAKE
- FRUIT YOGHURT
- FRESH FRUIT

dolce



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spooktacular
Holiday Childcare
for active kids!
October Half Term

Active Camps

15% OFF
with code **OCTOBER25**
Offer ends at 5pm on Friday 10th October

Sutton Coldfield
Bishop Vesey's Grammar School

Monday 27th October – Friday 31st October
Open from 8am – 6pm

Flexible drop-off and pick-up times
One simple price for the whole day

BOOK ONLINE

For more info and to book your place visit activecamps.co.uk or call 0121 663 1082

Ofsted registered

This Half Term, our much-loved multi-sports and academies are getting a spook-tacular twist.

Monday 27th – Friday 31st October

Aspire Active Camps have a fun programme this school holiday for children aged 4-14. As we are an Ofsted registered provider, you can rest assured that all the child protection policies are in place and our coaches are suitably qualified to ensure your child's safety at all times.

Our standard rate
Standard Rate **£40 per day**
8am – 6pm
Half Day Multi Sports £18

Early Bird OFFER
£35 per day
8am – 6pm
Half Day Multi Sports £16

Advanced Rate
£38 per day
8am – 6pm
Half Day Multi Sports £17

Don't miss our Early Bird offer!
Book before 5pm Friday 10th October

NEW
Late pick up is now included in our pricing

A typical day at Aspire Active Camps

Early Drop Off 8am – 9.30am
Optional free early drop off with structured games and activities.

Academy Sessions 9.30am – 4pm
Choose from our range of sports activities.

Late Pick Up 4pm – 6pm
Pick up at any time to suit you with structured games and activities.

Sibling Discount
Book a child at full price and each additional sibling will receive a 10% discount off their booking.

Emergency Services Discount
Work for the Emergency Services? Receive 10% discount off your booking. Just enter the discount code 1000 when booking online. Only one discount code per booking. For validation show your ID card at camp.

Loyalty Scheme
For every £1 you spend, you will earn 10 points!
Every time you reach 2,000 points you can redeem £10 against your next booking.

Limited spaces available
BOOK ONLINE TODAY

For more info visit activecamps.co.uk or call 0121 663 1082

Academies

- Multi Sports Academy**
A huge range of sports and alternative activities. Children aged 4 yrs eligible for half day Multi Sports Academy only.
- Football Academy**
Develop your shooting, passing, dribbling and tackling skills.
- Dance Beats Academy**
Dance Beats: Fun and exciting dance.
- Netball Academy**
Improve your netball shooting, passing and team skills.
- Active Leaders**
Challenges to achieve the Aspire Young Leader Award, providing the knowledge and confidence to organise and lead activities.

Nasal Flu Immunisation

Thursday 25th September 2025

NHS Birmingham Community Healthcare Immunisation team will be coming into school on

Thursday 25th September 2025

to administer the Nasal Flu vaccination to Reception, Year One, Year Two and Giraffe class.

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.

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.

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.



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SEND Community Day

EVENT DETAILS

Thursday 9 October 2025
SUTTON COLDFIELD
TOWN HALL, UPPER
CLIFTON ROAD, B73 6DA

The Day will be split into two sessions:
09:30- 11.30 AM
12:30 - 2:30 PM

Grow Family Services would like to invite you to come and meet SEND services. Chat with service providers and get more information on what is available in Birmingham

This event is free of charge to attend

On the day there will be services from the Local Authority, NHS and Social Care, Occupational Therapy, Speech and Language, Senar, Local Charities, Early Help, Private Professionals and an Autism Awareness Bus.

To Book:

www.growfamilyservices.org/whatwedo
www.ticketsource.co.uk/grow-family-services



Naming clothes

We already have a number of items in our lost property! All of the items in the lost property is un-named. We can return all named items that children lose.

PLEASE NAME YOUR CHILDREN'S UNIFORM AND PE KIT to enable us to reunite owners and their property! Thank you!

Planning for Neighbourhoods Consultation

Please see the attached letter with details of a Sutton Coldfield survey which gives you a prime opportunity to put forward your priorities for Sutton Coldfield over the next 10 years.

Thank you.

Sharing recipes!

Please find attached a recipe for 'Cheese & Onion Soda Bread' which the children at the Pudding & Pie Club thoroughly enjoyed making last week! Hope you have fun making them again at home!

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.

Book Bags/PE Bags

We have book bags and PE bags in stock in school.

If you would like to purchase one for your child, please make the payment via ParentPay and your child will receive their new bag.

Nursery September 2025

There are still some spaces available in Nursery for children who are born between 1.9.2021 - 31.8.2022.

If you know anyone who is interested please ask them to contact the school on 0121 464 2338.



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Parent Workshop- How to Support my Child with Big Emotions

We are offering a parent workshop led by Beacon Behaviour Services on
Wednesday 1st October 2025 at 2-3pm.

Please refer to the flyer below for further information.

If you wish to attend please follow the link below and complete the form, this gives us an indicator to how many seats and coffee mugs we may need!

<https://forms.office.com/e/VqemmXswku>

Federation of Boldmere Schools



You are warmly invited to our parent/ carer workshops based on:

'How to support your child with big emotions'

Does your child struggle to handle big emotions like **anger or anxiety**? Do you sometimes worry about how best to support your child/ren at home (or in school)?

Beacon School Support are running an interactive and informative workshop for parents/ carers on: **Wednesday 1st October 2025 2-3pm**
Infant School Hall

This session is open to all parents/ carers who are interested in supporting their children in a variety of ways, including building confidence, resilience and emotional awareness.

You'll learn new strategies and ideas that you can take away and use at home. There will also be time to speak to the behaviour consultant from **Beacon School Support** afterwards and ask any personal questions.

Refreshments will be available

We look forward to seeing you.



Joe Staines, Behaviour Consultant
Beacon School Support

*My child seems to show
really strong emotions.
What can I do to help?*



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

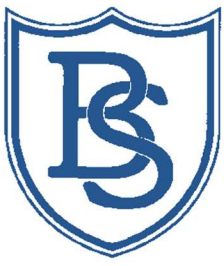
enquiry-

jun@boldmere.bham.sch.uk



MMR Immunisation

Please see the attached flyer regarding information about Measles, Mumps, and Rubella (MMR Immunisation)



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BIB Newsletter

This week in Puffin's class, the children have been busy developing key physical and learning skills through fun, engaging activities. They've been practising Lazy 8's to support cross-body movement and improve handwriting direction, helping to build the foundations for fluent writing. We also introduced crab walking exercises, which are great for developing core strength and coordination. A highlight of the week was using the parachute to sing rhymes—an exciting way to build listening and attention skills while practising how to follow instructions in a group setting. It's been a fantastic week of learning through movement and play!

This week in the Resource Base, we've been continuing to build our early literacy and numeracy skills in fun and meaningful ways. The children have been working on recognising their own names, an important step in developing independence and confidence. In maths, we've been exploring the concepts of 'more' and 'less' through hands-on activities and games. A big highlight was retelling the story *We're Going on a Bear Hunt*—the children added actions to each part of the story, which helped them recall key events and supported their communication skills. It's been a wonderful week full of active learning and storytelling!

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

Mrs S Kenny
Headteacher

23/9/2025

