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Dear Parents/Carers

We hope all our families had an enjoyable bank holiday weekend.

We take this opportunity to remind parents/carers of the following Government guidance:

If you or your child displays any covid-19 symptoms, you must book a PCR test and selfisolate until you receive the results. You must inform school of the illness and the subsequent test. Government advice also recommends that twice weekly Lateral Flow Testing is available for all families. These tests are to detect asymptomatic cases and show results within 30 minutes. Tests are available from:

- At a local test site
- By collecting a home test kit from a test site
- By ordering a home test kit online

Please follow the link for more advice and to order test kits.

https://www.nhs.uk/conditions/coronarvirus-covid-19/testing/regular-rapid-coronarvirus-testsif-you-do-not-have-symptoms/

School Lunch Ordering Via School Grid

A reminder that all parents/carers whose children have a school lunch are required to order their child's school meal in advance via the School Grid website.

Polling Station – School Open on Thursday 6 May

Although part of our school is going to be used as a polling station, our school will still be open to all pupils.

Deaf Awareness Week 2021 - 3rd - 9th May 2021.

As mentioned in last week's newsletter, this week is Deaf Awareness Week. As part of this week, children will be taking part in a range of activities that promote deaf awareness, including a taster of sign language which includes finger spelling.

Survey Link

Could we please ask that you complete and submit the survey which should take no longer than 4 minutes to complete. We will then share outcomes with you in a future newsletter. https://forms.office.com/Pages/ResponsePage.aspx?id=o1qZlB4jj0KY5rkBJrERN69Ay58738FGs

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We appreciate your time and feedback and thank you for your support.





 Teaching & Leadership
 Image: This school is committed to safeguarding and promoting the welfare of children and expects

 all staff and volunteers to share this commitment
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Nursery September 2021

The Nursery still has a few places available. If you know of or have a child whose date of birth is between 01/09/17 and 31/08/18 who may be interested in a place, please contact the Infant school office on 0121 464 2338 for further information.

Royal Mail's Heroes Stamp Design Competition

Last week, an entry form for the Royal Mail Heroes Competition was sent out. Royal Mail are asking children to design a stamp to honour the heroes of the coronavirus pandemic. There will be 8 winners chosen. All of the information is on the entry form itself. We will send the designs as a batch from school, so your child will only need to add their name and their hero on the sheet. Please could all entries be returned to school FAO Mrs Mutch by Friday 24 May 2021.

<u>Kingswood Day Trips – year 6</u>

If you have not yet returned your consent slip for the above trip, please do so asap. Spare copies are available from the school office.

Diary Dates – Summer Term 2021

Thursday 27 May- Break up for half term holidays.
Friday 28 May- Professional Development Day, school closed to all pupils.
Monday 7 June- School re-opens to all pupils.
Tuesday 20 July- Break up for summer holidays.
Wednesday 21 July- Professional Development Day, school closed to all pupils.

Diary Dates – Autumn Term 2021

Thursday 2 September – Professional Development Day, school closed to all pupils
Friday 3 September – Profressional Development Day, school closed to all pupils
Monday 6 September – School re-opens to all pupils
Friday 22 October – Break up for half term holidays
Monday 1 November – School re-opens to all pupils
Friday 17 December – Break up for Christmas holidays

Donated School Uniform

A family who have recently left Boldmere Junior school, have kindly donated some uniform items, as listed below:

- Age 6/7 one school logo jumper
- Age 7/8 10 logo school jumpers & 4 school logo polo shirts
- Age 8/9 3 school logo polo shirts
- Age 9/10 5 school logo jumpers & 4 school logo polo tops

If any of these items are of interest, please contact the junior school office on 0121 464 3656.

Empties Please – Ink Cartridge Recyling

We are working with a company called 'Empties Please' who specialise in recycling of used cartridges. Their aim is to help schools raise funds and become greener in the process. They will collect all used ink and toner cartridges collected by the school and donate money straight back to the school. We also have the opportunity to earn 'green points' which can then be spent on 'green rewards' including seeds, gardening tools, Hedgehog boxes and bird feeders. Your child will be bringing home a recycle bag this week to collect any old ink

cartridges in. You may save the bag for when you have some empties. They may be cartridges from home, work- place or family. Please send any empty cartridges into school in the recycle bags. If you ever require more recycle bags, please ask at the school office.

E- Safety Reminder

Ensuring that children are safe when using information technology, is an essential life skill and is needed more now than ever with children having increased screen time and access to the internet. We wanted to remind you that on the school website, under 'Safeguarding'> 'Esafety' you can access useful resources and links to websites which offer age-appropriate resources and information for parent and carers. These can also be found on your child's Google Classroom in the 'Parent Information' folder.

Contacting School

Please can we remind you that if you have an <u>attendance query/absence</u>, for example if your child is not going to be in school due to illness/medical appointment etc, please call the office or email <u>enquiry@boldmere.bham.sch.uk</u>. **Please DO NOT use the year group email address to contact the school regarding your child's absence**.

If you need support with teaching and learning at home, for example, a query about a lesson or clarification of an activity please make contact via the year group email addresses.

Email addresses for correspondence specific to your child's class/year group, to support with teaching, learning and online/home learning support only.

yr3-contact@boldmere.bham.sch.uk yr4-contact@boldmere.bham.sch.uk yr5-contact@boldmere.bham.sch.uk yr6-contact@boldmere.bham.sch.uk

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