

Boldmere Junior School – Newsletter

COFIELD ROAD, SUTTON COLDFIELD, B73 5SD





Dear Parents/Guardians

18 December 2018 No 15

General Information

An Urgent Reminder - Nut Free Area

A reminder to all parents/guardians that children MUST NOT bring into school any snack which contains nuts/hazelnut filling etc. We have some children in school with a nut allergy which can result in a very serious reaction if they come into contact.

End of Term

A reminder that school will finish at 3.35 pm on Friday 21 December 2018. Children will return to school on Tuesday 8 January 2019. (Monday 7 January 2019 is a PD Day/Teacher Day). We take this opportunity to wish all our Boldmere families a Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year.

Forthcoming Events

<u>Young Voices – no rehearsal on Thursday 20 December 2018</u>

A reminder that there will be no Young Voices afterschool rehearsal on Thursday 20 December 2018.

Young Voices Adult Tickets

The Young Voices Adult tickets have arrived. Parents/guardians may collect the tickets from the school office from Thursday of this week. If you are unable to collect the tickets before we break up for the holiday, we will keep them in the office until the New Year.

Year 5 Trip to Cadbury World – Thursday 20 December 2018

A reminder that year 5 are on a trip this Thursday. Please ensure you provide your child with a packed lunch.

Culmington Manor – year 4 (2019) – Total amount for this trip is £141.10

A Final Payment Reminder

The balance for this trip was due by Friday 14 December 2018. We have sent reminder letters out to those who are still owing the final payment. Please check your ParentPay account and contact the school office if you need clarification. Thank you.

Christmas Celebrations – Friday 21 December 2018

A reminder that parents/guardians are invited to attend the above Christmas celebration service at St Michael's church on Friday 21 December 2018 at 2.00 pm. Children will walk

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up to the church with their class teachers after lunch. The service will last approximately an hour. No child will be allowed to walk home by themselves from the church. If you wish to collect your child from the church at the end of the service, please fill in the slip below. All children who are not collected at the end of the service will walk back to school with their teacher and will remain in school until the end of the school day at 3.35 pm.

<u>Bikeability – Year 5</u>

We will be sending out letters this week to confirm places on the above course. Numbers exceeded places available, so not all of those who applied have been successful.

Clubs – Spring Term 2019

Information regarding the clubs will be sent out this week, which include:

Lunchtime tennis – years 3, 4, 5 and 6 Netball – years 4, 5 and 6 Jewellery and Craft Club – years 4 Karate

Most of the clubs will commence week beginning 21 January 2019, except for Karate, which will commence on Friday 11 January 2019 for the existing club members. Sensei Smith has advised that he has a few places available. If you are interested, please contact the school office.

Music Lessons/Payment - Spring term 2019 - £80

A reminder that for those children who receive lessons from the Music Service, payment will be due the first week back in January, in the amount of £80. This will be for the Spring Term (January to April 2019) and must be paid for in advance via ParentPay. We will require a half term's notice should you not wish your child to continue with their music lessons. Music Lessons (Cello, Woodwind, Brass and Violin) will commence the first full week back, week commencing Monday 14 January 2019, unless you have been advised otherwise.

School Meals and Milk Orders - Spring Term 2019

<u>Milk Orders</u> – 12 weeks at £1.05 (21p per carton) = £12.60. There will be no milk during the first week back. Milk will be provided from Monday 14 January 2019 to Friday 12 April 2019.

Roast Wednesday -13 weeks at £2.30 = £29.90 Pizza Friday -13 weeks at £2.30 = £29.90

If you wish to order Roast Wednesday and Pizza Friday meals for the term, the cost will be £59.80.

Dinner Money for the half term (January 2019 to February 2019)

If you wish your child to receive a school meal each day and would like to pay for the half term, the amount will be £66.70.

Please note that school meals are £2.30 per day = £11.50 per week. All meals must be paid for in advance. We will be unable to provide any child with a school meal until we have received payment. Please ensure that your ParentPay account is in credit.

Should you wish your child's school meal arrangements to change (school meals to sandwiches and vice versa), please give two weeks' notice to the school office. You must ensure that you advise the school office as well as making your payment on ParentPay.

If you think your child may be eligible for free school meals, please contact the school office for more information.

Dinner Money Debts for this term. If your child has had a school meal during this term, please check your ParentPay account to be sure that you have cleared any debts before we break up for the Christmas holidays. If you wish your child to have a school meal next term, please ensure you make your payment **in advance.** Thank you.

Attendance for last week

The winners of our weekly Head Teacher's certificate for the best attendance week ending 14 December 2018 was 4J Whole School Attendance for week ending 14 December 2018 was 96.49%.

Busy Bodies

We would like to take this opportunity to thank all of our Busy Bodies families for being absolutely fantastic this year. We hope you have had a great half term and best of wishes for the coming year. Happy Christmas and a brilliant New Year to all.

December fees

Please can parents check that they are up to date with their payments, if you currently have any outstanding fees please complete this payment by this Thursday 20th December. Should you have any queries about your fees please speak with the Busy Bodies manager.

January Booking forms are currently available online and at the Busy Bodies desk. Booking forms and fees are due in by Friday 11th January. Look forward to seeing you in the New Year.

<u>Staff Vacancy – Lunchtime Supervisor – Junior School</u>

We have a vacancy for a lunchtime supervisor at the junior school. If you are interested, please contact the school office. Full details, including an application form will be available by the end of this week.

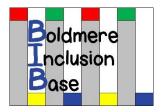
PTA News -

We would like to say a huge thank you to all of the elves who helped at the Elfridges store last week. It was a fabulous team effort and a big thank you to the reception mums that took more of a role in this event. It was such a joy to see all of the children so excited.

Yours sincerely

Mrs N Silverwood Head of School

<u>Christmas Carol Service – Friday 21 December 2018 – 2.00 pm</u>
Name of my child
I will be collecting my child at the end of the service at St Michael's Church
My child will be collected from the church by
Please note that if your child is <u>not</u> collected from the church at 3.00 pm, they will walk back to school with their class teacher and will leave school at 3.35 pm as normal.
We will not be allowing any child to walk home without adult supervision until the end of the school day at 3.35 pm.
Signature of Parent/Guardian



Boldmere Inclusion Base (BIB) update

The building was put into place in between the junior and infant school during the summer holidays and the link corridor was built to the junior school during the first half of the Autumn term. The building has been clad, new windows were installed and then a variety of adjustments were made inside the building including ensuring the toilets were the right height, new carpets and a fresh coat of paint. Lots of new resources have been bought to support the children with their learning!

Whilst all this has been happening, Miss Parsons has been reviewing Education, Health and Care plans sent to her by SENAR and visiting children in their settings to establish if the provision the BIB will offer will meet the needs of the children. The first four children have been offered places and have accepted! Miss Parsons has met with the parents, held a stay and play session for the children and they will start school on January 8th 2019. Over time the children will spend increasing amounts of time in the mainstream school, building friendships and accessing their learning.





