



Dear Parents/Guardians

4 February 2020

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## **General Information**

### **Children’s Mental Health Week 2020 – Find your Brave**

From 3 to 9 February 2020, schools, youth groups, organisations and individuals across the UK are taking part in Children’s Mental Health Week. This year’s theme is Find your Brave and the children have been discussing this in class to explore and understand what this means. Children will be taking part in activities throughout the week. Attached to this newsletter is some further information for parents/guardians supplied by the children’s mental health charity Place2Be.

### **Nursery Open Day for September 2020 Intake**

Nursery will be holding open sessions on Tuesday 25 February 2020 (10.30 am and 2.30 pm) for prospective parents of children who will be eligible to join the nursery in September 2020 (date of birth 01/09/2016 to 31/08/2017). Closing date for applications is Friday 13 March 2020. If you know of anyone that may be interested in a nursery place, they may call the infant school office on 0121 464 2338 for more information.

### **Coronavirus Information**

Please see the information below that we have received from the Department of Education today about Coronavirus.

#### **CORONAVIRUS: PUBLIC INFORMATION**

The Government and NHS are well prepared to deal with this virus. You can help too.

Germs live on some surfaces for hours. **To protect yourself and others:**

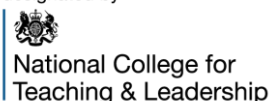
- Always carry tissues with you and use them to catch your cough or sneeze
- Bin the tissue, and to kill the germs, wash your hands with soap and water, or use a sanitiser gel.
- If you have arrived back from China within 14 days follow specific advice for returning travellers. This is the best way to slow the spread of almost any germs, including Coronavirus.
- Find out more at [gov.uk/coronavirus](http://gov.uk/coronavirus)

### **Scarlet Fever**

We have been notified of a case of Scarlet fever in Year 1 (infant school). Scarlet fever is a mild childhood illness but unlike chickenpox, it requires antibiotic treatment.

Symptoms include a sore throat, headache, fever, nausea and vomiting, followed by a fine red rash which typically first appears on the chest and stomach, rapidly spreading to other parts of the body. On darker skin, the scarlet rash may be harder to spot, but it should feel like

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sandpaper. The face can be flushed red but pale around the mouth. As the rash fades the skin on the fingertips, toes and groin area can peel.

If you think you, or your child, have scarlet fever:

- See your GP or contact NHS 111 as soon as possible
- Make sure that you/your child takes the full course of any antibiotics prescribed by the doctor.
- Stay at home, away from nursery, school or work for at least 24 hours after starting the antibiotic treatment, to avoid spreading the infection

You can find more information on scarlet fever on NHS choices: [www.nhs.uk](http://www.nhs.uk)  
Please ensure school are notified of all illnesses. (When you report your child's absence, can we ask that you do not leave a message just stating your child is unwell, please let us know what condition/symptoms they are suffering from).

## **Congratulations to our school football teams**

### **Premier League Stars Tournament**

In the past few weeks, both of our football teams have competed in the Premier League Stars Tournament at Aston Villa Academy. Both teams did superbly and we are very proud of their achievements. Our girls' football team have qualified for the regional tournament, where they will represent Aston Villa in a midlands tournament. Our mixed football team have also qualified for the next round of the competition after winning their first round heat.

**Girls' team – Martha (c), Eva, Sophie, Maesha, Isobel, Charlotte**

**Mixed team – Alfie, Josh, Toreud, Toby (c), Sam, Daniel**

### **Danone Cup**

This Saturday – 1<sup>st</sup> February 2020 – both our teams also competed in the Danone Invitation Cup, which was a regional tournament due to their superb performances so far this year. Our girls' team performed really well but unfortunately didn't progress from their group. Our boys' football team came runners up, after losing in the final 1-0.

**Girls' team – Amelie, Eva, Sophie, Maesha, Isobel, Charlotte, Rosie**

**Mixed team – Alfie, Josh, Arun, Toreud, Toby (c), Sam, Daniel**

We would like to congratulate both teams on their performances and we are very proud of all who represented their school in both competitions.

Please follow our school twitter to see pictures and updates of how our sports teams are doing!

### **Netball Team**

Many congratulations to Boldmere Junior School netball team. In their first league games last Thursday, they won 19-0 and 13-0. Players of the match were Matilda and Daisy.

Well done to everyone who took part. **The team members are: Daisy, Matilda, Oliwia, Abigail, Sasha, Asia, Alexa and Amelie**

### **Young Voices DVD**

A reminder that if your child attended the Young Voices concert at Resorts World Arena and you would like to order a DVD of the concert, **please collect an order form from the school office and make your payment on ParentPay.** The cost to order through the school is **£9.99**. The cut off date for receipt of your order will be Wednesday 12 February 2020. After

that date it will not be possible for you to make your order and you will have to contact Young Voices direct via their website.

## **Forthcoming Events**

### **Kingswood Residential Trip – year 6 – was due by Thursday 31 January 2020**

A reminder that the second instalment for the above trip was due last week. Please check your ParentPay account to be sure that you have made this payment of £55.00. Chaser letters will be sent out to parents this week.

### **Parents Evenings – Wednesday 5/Thursday 6 February 2020 – 4-6.30 pm**

A reminder that parents' evenings have been arranged for 5 and 6 February from 4-6.30 pm.

### **Sports Relief – Friday 14 February 2020 – Year 4**

Although Sports Relief takes place in March 2020, some of our Year 4 children will be dressing up in sports fancy dress and taking part in a sponsored run around our school field on Friday 14 February 2020, all in aid of Sports Relief. We invite all year groups to bring in a £1 donation to sponsor our year 4 children on their run. All donations can be sent into school with your child on Thursday or Friday of next week. Thank you in advance! Mr Halfpenny and the year 4 team!

### **Whole School Valentines Day Meal – Friday 14 February 2020**

A reminder that the final day for receipt of any orders for the above will be this Friday (7 February).

### **World Book Day – 5 March 2020 and Book Fair w/c 9 March 2020**

More details to follow shortly. The book fair will take place during the above week after school.

### **Attendance for last week**

**The winners of our weekly Head Teacher's certificate for the best attendance week ending 31 January is class 4W. Whole School Attendance for week ending 31 January 2020 is 96.99%**

Yours sincerely

Mr C Glasgow  
Executive Head Teacher

# **Busy Bodies News**

## **Busy Bodies Parents/Carers**

A huge thank you to all parents/carers who have handed in their February forms and fees on time. If you have not already done so, please ensure that your booking form and fees are returned to the Busy Bodies desk as soon as possible.

An admin fee will apply to all forms currently outstanding. Forms and fees were due in by last Friday 31st January.

Your booking form helps us to account for the number of children to be registered each day. Should you not require any sessions for this month, please inform the Busy Bodies Manager as soon as possible.

A polite reminder for parents and carers to regularly check your ParentPay account to ensure that your monthly fees are paid and up to date.