



Dear Parents/Guardians

19 March 2019  
No 25

## **General Information**

### **Baby Announcement**

We are very pleased to announce that Mr and Mrs Hannan are expecting a baby in September. Congratulations to you both.

### **School Absences During Term Time, including ‘lates’ and ‘early collection’ from school**

Although we are aware that it is sometimes unavoidable for appointments to be made during the school day, e.g. hospital appointments etc., we would request that, where possible, any **non-urgent appointments, e.g. dental check ups or non-urgent medical appointments etc.** are made outside of school hours. If you do need to collect your child for an appointment early, please ensure you have sent in a note to your child’s class teacher in advance.

**We will continue to monitor children’s attendance in school and emphasize the importance of your child remaining in school for the whole of the school day, until 3.35 pm.**

**School Absence** - A reminder also that if your child is absent from school due to illness, we ask that you telephone the school office on the first day of their absence, before 9.30 am, so that our safeguarding records are up to date.

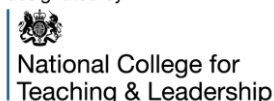
**Late Arrivals** – we have a number of children who are regularly coming into school late. Children may come into school from 8.45 am but they should be in their classroom for 8.55 am, ready for registration. This is an important part of the day when the teacher will be taking the register, passing on messages and introducing the first lesson.

A reminder that **‘Exceptional Circumstances Forms’** are available from the school office and must be completed and returned to school, two weeks prior to the requested absence. All forms are to be sent to Mrs Silverwood. **Please note that any holiday taken during term time will be recorded as unauthorised.**

### **Uniform Grants**

Uniform grant forms are now available from the junior school office. Completed forms are to be returned to the school office by Friday 29 March 2019.

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## **Riding of scooters/cycles in the school grounds**

At the end of the school day, we have some younger children riding scooters/cycles along the pathway between the infant and junior schools and also in the junior school waiting area. At this time of the day, there are many young children and adults in these areas and it would be very easy for an accident to happen. Therefore, we would ask parents/guardians not to allow their children to ride their scooter/cycle in the school grounds at any time during the day.

## **Music Lessons**

**We have places available for the following:**

- Guitar Lessons with Mrs Robinson (Private Tutor) – after school on Mondays
- Brass Lessons (Music Service) – Fridays during curriculum time
- Violin Lessons (Music Service) – Tuesdays during curriculum time

If anyone is interested in the above, please contact the school office for details.

Please also note that Music Fees for the Summer Term (April to July 2019) will be due before the end of this term, in the amount of £80, payable via ParentPay. Should you no longer with your child to received music lessons, **we must receive a half term's notice in writing.**

## **Head Lice In School**

Unfortunately, we have head lice in school. When children work closely together, it is easy for lice to transfer from head to head and therefore your child has as much chance of being infected as any other. We attach a copy of our standard letter to parents/guardians giving guidance on how to treat head lice and to emphasize the importance that even after treatment, you should check your child's head regularly over the following two weeks.

## **Lost Property**

If your child wears a Boldmere Junior School sweatshirt, please check if they have the correct one. A sweatshirt may have been picked up accidentally. The sweatshirt missing, will be named (Connor in 5M). Please hand into the school office if found.

## **Forthcoming Events**

### **Red Nose Day (Comic Relief)**

Thank you to all the children and parents/guardians who supported our Red Nose Day. The total amount raised was £233.63.

### **Year 6 (current year 5) Residential Trip to Boreatton Park – Sept 2019 -**

If you missed the meeting last week regarding the above trip, full details are on the school website.

### **Year 4 (current year 3) Residential Trip to Whitemoor Lakes – Feb 2020**

A letter was sent out to all children in year 3 last week regarding the above residential trip. If you have not received a copy, please come to the school office. A reminder that all consent slips should have be handed into the school office and your deposit paid via ParentPay by **Friday 10 April 2019.**

## **Travelling Books – Book Fair week commencing 25 March 2019**

Leaflets will be sent out this week regarding Travelling Books. The Book Fair will be running after school (3.40 pm to 4.00 pm) Tuesday to Friday. Book tokens will be handed to your child on Monday. These tokens may be used if purchasing a book from the Book Fair or may be used from an participating book shops.

## **Attendance for last week**

**The winners of our weekly Head Teacher’s certificate for the best attendance week ending 15 March 2019 was 4H. Whole School Attendance for week ending 15 March 2019 was 97.69%**

## **Boldmere Infant and Nursery News**

### **Nursery Applications for September 2019**

The closing date for Nursery applications for this year is Friday 22<sup>nd</sup> March. Please call in to the infant school office for more details.

## **PTA News**

**The Elfridges Store** is to open its Mothers’ Day doors on Friday 29th March. Buy lovely gifts for Mums, Grandmas and Auntie’s! Children are escorted to the store by staff to choose their gift which has been beautifully wrapped by the elves. Orders can be made at [www.pta-events.co.uk/boldmere](http://www.pta-events.co.uk/boldmere) Ordering will close on Thursday 28th March.

**Comedy Night** on the 29th March 2019.. TOP ACTS!! tickets are now on sale at [www.pta-events.co.uk/boldmere](http://www.pta-events.co.uk/boldmere)

## **Community News**

*Disclaimer - The following community events are for your information. Should you wish to obtain further information or attend, it is at parents’ own discretion.*

[The Lion, the Witch and the Wardrobe \(Part 2\)](#)

[An intergenerational family event on Saturday 30th March, 4-6pm in St Michael's church.](#)

With activities and crafts and a dramatic presentation of some of the story by CENTRESTAGE, School of Speech and Drama commencing at 4.45pm.

Food and drinks available to purchase.

Tickets children £3.50, adults £2.50 and family tickets (2 adults and 2 children) £10 available from Jeanette Nicholls, Children's and Families' Missioner. [jeanette.cfm@gmail.com](mailto:jeanette.cfm@gmail.com), 07492474472 and at the Place of Welcome in St Michael's church hall on Wednesday mornings 9-11.30am

### **King Edward’s School, Birmingham – Open Morning: Saturday 30 March 10 am to 12.30 pm**

Information regarding this school is available via their school website. There is an Open Morning on Saturday 30 March 2019 and a further Open Morning on Saturday 14 September 2019, as well as an Open Evening on Monday 24 June 2019. For more information about these dates and also about the application deadline and entrance examination, please go to [www.kes.org.uk/admissions](http://www.kes.org.uk/admissions) or email [admissions@kes.org.uk](mailto:admissions@kes.org.uk). You will also be able to find details regarding their Assistant Places scheme.

Yours sincerely

Mrs N Silverwood  
Head of School