



Dear Parents/Guardians

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General Information

Split Classes

We are sure that you will appreciate that the latest COVID-19 situation is proving to be incredibly challenging to manage in schools. We would just like to make you aware that at present our staffing capacity can meet the needs of our children. However, if we have staff who will be required to follow government guidelines of self isolation if they come down with COVID-19 symptoms, we have very little alternative but to split children into other classes across the school. We are fully aware that this is not an ideal situation but it will allow us to remain operational to provide the efficient education of the children. Your co-operation is greatly appreciated at this difficult time.

Important Information

In the challenging situations can parents please be mindful that it will not always be possible to reply to individual enquires given the pressing demands that the management of school are facing currently. Please do not request personalised work to be set. At this point, with school still in operation, this is not possible as staff are planning lessons for the children in school. This may not be ideal, but we are dealing with an unprecedented situation.

In light of the current situation surrounding Coronavirus and the uncertainty of possible school closures, we have put together lists of useful websites to support children's learning. We will be uploading this information onto the school website today. Should the school have a forced closure imposed, or indeed, should your child be in self-isolation, please take a look at the resources online. Thank you for your understanding at this difficult time.

Please use the Government 'Stay at home' guidance below to make the decision about keeping your child off school.

We would like to ask everyone to support us at this time by playing your part in looking after everyone in our school and extended community.

<https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/covid-19-stay-at-home-guidance/stay-at-home-guidance-for-people-with-confirmed-or-possible-coronavirus-covid-19-infection#self-isolation>

Sutton Coldfield Municipal Charities – Uniform Grant Forms

A final reminder that uniform grant forms are available from the school office.

Completed forms must be returned to the school office by **Friday 20 March 2020**.

Parents may forward the forms direct to Municipal Charities if they prefer.

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This school is committed to safeguarding and promoting the welfare of children and expects all staff and volunteers to share this commitment

Forthcoming Events

As mentioned in a letter we sent out via Parentmail yesterday, unfortunately, the following school events, where parents/guardians have been invited, have been cancelled:

- **4K's Class Assembly – Wednesday 18 March 2020**
- **Year 3's Inspire Workshop – Friday 20 March 2020**
- **Year 4's Inspire Workshop – Wednesday 25 March 2020**
- **Year 5's Easter Production – Wednesday 1 April 2020**

WBA Multi-Skills Club – Thursdays - Cancelled

We have been advised by WBA, that their multi-skills club on a Thursday is now cancelled.

RAF Cosford Trip – Year 6 – Thursday 26 March - Now Cancelled

Unfortunately, due to Coronavirus, it has been decided to cancel this trip. We will be reimbursing parents/guardians via ParentPay in due course. However, if you would like us to transfer this amount to our school fund, please advise the school office by filling in the slip below and returning it to the school office by Monday 23 March 2020.

Elections - Voting day – Thursday 7 May 2020 - Cancelled

For your information, we have been advised that the elections have been postponed for a year. Therefore, the school premises (Training Room) will not be used as a voting station on that day. The school will remain open as planned.

Years 5 and 6 Netball – Tuesdays After School

We confirm that after school netball at Boldmere Junior School is taking place this evening.

Karate – Fridays – After School

Unless you are advised otherwise, Karate Club with Jason Smith is going ahead this Friday after school.

Year 4 Residential Trip (current year 3) – Whitemoor Lakes – 10-12 February 2021

A letter has been sent out today with all children in year 3 regarding the residential trip booked for February 2021. This was also sent via Parentmail yesterday. For those children eligible for pupil premium funding, a separate letter will also be sent out.

Yours sincerely

Mr C Glasgow
Executive Head Teacher

Busy Bodies News - IMPORTANT INFORMATION

March Booking Forms/Fees

Some March fees are still outstanding for this month, please check and if you have not already made payment for your required sessions, please do so immediately.

In light of current circumstances, we would like to inform parents/carers that the morning breakfast and afternoon snacks provided as a complement to our service might be interrupted

due to current situations with food restrictions and shopping availability. We will try to ensure that a snack is provided when possible, however please feel free to send your child/ren in with a healthy morning snack/afternoon snack. Unfortunately, no chocolate bars, nuts etc due to a range of children's allergies. We will continue to monitor and provide as long as we can.

April booking forms will be available from Wednesday 18th March, if for any reason you are unable to collect, the form will also be available online.

PTA News

The **Elfridges** Store is to open its **Mothers Day** doors this **Friday 20th March**.
LAST ORDERS WILL BE TAKEN on **Thursday 19th March**, please order now to avoid disappointment.

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

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RAF COSFORD – YEAR 6 – Trip Cancelled

Name of my child Class

I am aware that the above trip has now been cancelled and that the school will be reimbursing the payment of £9.75 in due course.

However, I give consent for this payment to be donated to school fund
(please tick to give your consent)

Thank you.

Signature of Parent/Guardian

Please return your slip to the school office by Monday 23 March 2020.