

### **Boldmere Junior School – Newsletter**

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Dear Parents/Guardians

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### **General Information**

#### **School Lateness**

We have a number of children who are regularly coming into school late for registration. It is very important that children arrive in school on time, ready for the start of their first lesson. Children may come into school from 8.45 am but must be in school by 8.55 am to receive their 'present' mark in the register. We will continue to monitor school lateness during this term. Please encourage your child to come into school on time. Thank you.

#### Children who are fasting in school

If your child is fasting during the school day, please ensure you send in a letter to your child's class teacher. If they usually have a hot meal, you will be charged for a meal, unless the office has been advised in writing that your child does not wish to order a meal on a specific day.

# <u>The Grammar Schools in Birmingham – Optional Entrance Test for entry in September 2020 – FAO year 5 parents/guardians</u>

A reminder that information regarding the optional entrance test for admission to the eight grammar schools in Birmingham for entry in September 2020 and information on those schools' admission policies, visit <a href="www.birminghamgrammarschools.org">www.birminghamgrammarschools.org</a> It is possible for you to register your child for the test using this website. The entrance test for September 2020 entry will be held on <a href="Saturday 7 September 2019">Saturday 7 September 2019</a> and you will need to register your child for the test by 4 pm on Friday 28 June 2019.

Many of the secondary schools are promoting their open days on their respective websites. We have details in the office of various open days for 'The schools of King Edward VI in Birmingham', Bishop Vesey's Grammar School and Sutton Coldfield Grammar School for Girls.

We also have information on the application and entrance examination details for 'King Edward's School, Birmingham'. You may also view via <a href="www.kes.org.uk/admissions">www.kes.org.uk/admissions</a> or email admissions@kes.org.uk, this also includes details of fees and scholarships.

### **Federation of Boldmere Schools - Voluntary School Fund**

As stated in a letter to parents/guardians sent out in April, we are operating a voluntary school fund for the rest of this academic year and beyond. Any donations into this fund will, of course, be greatly appreciated and support the schools immensely.

**National Teaching School** 

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A suggested figure for <u>voluntary</u> contribution for the rest of the academic year is £10 per pupil. However, this is merely a suggestion, as we would be incredibly grateful to receive contributions of any sum. Voluntary contributions can be made online via ParentPay.

## **Forthcoming Events**

#### Taster Meal – Thursday 16 May 2019

This Thursday is Census Day and we are encouraging as many children as possible, who usually have sandwiches, to try a hot meal. The menu on that day will include panini's, macaroni cheese, sausages (including vegetarian), fish, jacket potato with cheese and seasonal vegetables. If you would like your child to receive a hot meal on that day, please pay £2.35 on ParentPay and fill in the slip at the end of this newsletter and send it into the school office. We must receive the slip in the office otherwise we will be unaware you have ordered a meal for your child. All slips to be in the office by Thursday morning of this week.

#### Year 3 Inspire Afternoon – Monday 20 May 2019 – 2pm

Parents/Guardians are invited to join year 3 at their Inspire Afternoon on Monday 20 May. More details will be sent out shortly regarding the format and confirming times.

#### Tuesday 21 May 2019 - Photographer

The photographer will be in school on Tuesday 21 May 2019 to take photographs of the classes and teams.

### 3E's Class Assembly – Wednesday 22 May 2019 at 9.05 am

A reminder that parents/guardians are invited to attend their child's class assembly on 22 May 2019. We look forward to seeing as many of you as possible, however we appreciate that not all parents/guardians will be able to attend due to work or family commitments.

#### 4H's Class Assembly will take place on Wednesday 5 June 2019 – 9.05 am

#### Year 6 Inspire Afternoon – Thursday 6 June 2019

A reminder that year 6 Inspire Afternoon will take place on Thursday 6 June 2019 and parents/guardians are invited to attend. More details regarding this will be sent out next week.

#### **Year 5 Inspire Afternoon – Thursday 13 June 2019**

A reminder that due to the school being closed on 23 May 2019, year 5 have rearranged their Inspire Afternoon. This will now take place on Thursday 13 June 2019 in the afternoon. More details will be sent out to you by your child's class teacher.

#### Year 6 Transition Day – Wednesday 3 July 2019

Children in year 6 will be visiting their secondary schools on Wednesday 3 July 2019 (unless otherwise advised). They will not come into Boldmere Junior School on that day, but will go direct to their new secondary school. For more details, please ensure you contact your child's secondary school/visit their website.

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

If you have not already done so, please ensure you have made your payment of £65 which was due on Friday 10 May 2019. Please check your ParentPay account and discuss with the school office if you have any queries.

### <u>Year 4 Trip to Whitemoor Lakes (current year 3) – Residential Trip –</u> February 2020

We will be confirming our final figures to Whitemoor Lakes on Friday of this week (17 May). If your child is in year 3 and you would like them to atten, but have not yet made your payment of a non-refundable deposit of £20, please do so by Friday morning (17 May). Some parents have been in touch with the school office to say that they have made the payment but ParentPay still indicates that this amount is outstanding. Please check your ParentPay account to be sure it indicates you have made a £20 payment. Some parents have the amount as 'pending' and will need to be sure they have linked their payment to the Whitemoor Lakes trip. If you have any queries, please contact the school office asap, after checking your ParentPay account. Consents slips must also be sent into the school office.

### Congratulations: HMS Champions

We have great news as both our boys' and girls' football teams have won their respective HMS finals. Both games were played at Bodymoor Heath on Tuesday 7<sup>th</sup> May 2019. The girls' football team won 2-1 in a hard fought final with goals from Heidi and Sophie. The girls have made history – becoming the first girls' football team we have ever had to win this competition. Our boys' football team won 4-1 – with goals from Jack Q (3) and Beck - to win the competition for a third year in a row – a remarkable achievement. Photos of the children can be seen on the school twitter.

#### **Teams:**

Girls – Emily L, Izzy D, Lydia G, Evie B, Eva F, Sophie W, Heidi C (c), Martha Q Boys – Josh W, Josh F, Connor F, Sam Br, Henry R, Beck T, Jack Q (c), Toby E, Daniel W

### **Busy Bodies**

#### May booking forms and fees.

Please be reminded that May's booking forms and fees are now overdue. We still have a number of forms and fees outstanding, if you have not yet handed in your form and fees please do so immediately.

#### **New children starting September-Siblings**

Busy Bodies families who have a sibling wishing to join our club in September 2019, please ensure that you hand in your Registration pack as soon as possible. It will help us to identify how many siblings we will have for September.

### **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.

#### <u>UK Triathlon – Birmingham City Council</u>

The Birmingham Kids FUN Duathlon and Triathlon are two of the seven events BCC run as a fun way to encourage children to get active and healthy. Information regarding various training sessions and regarding the event on Saturday 15 June in Sutton Park, are now open. This event takes place the day before the adult triathlon. For more details go to <a href="https://www.uktriathlon.co.uk">www.uktriathlon.co.uk</a>

Heroes and Villains – A Family Concert performed by THE BAND of the West Midlands
Fire Service – Sunday 9 June, 4.30 pm at the United Reformed Church, Sutton Coldfield.
B73 6AA. For details go to <a href="www.ticketsource.co.uk/BWMFS">www.ticketsource.co.uk/BWMFS</a> . Adults £10, Seniors and
Students £5 and accompanied children free. Fancy Dress is encouraged.

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Yours sincerely	
Mrs N Silverwood Head of School	
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