



Dear Parents/Guardians

17 April 2018
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Forthcoming Events

Years 5 and 6 Football – Thursdays with Mr Uppal

Please note that Mr Uppal's Thursday after school football club will not commence until **Thursday 10 May 2018.** Children have been advised.

Internet Safety Workshop

A reminder that parents are invited to attend a further Internet Safety Workshop being held by PCSO Tracy Baker. This will be held at the Junior school on Wednesday 18 April 2018 at 2 pm.

Rearranged Dates for Tekers (Friday Group) –

We confirm the rearranged dates for the cancelled Friday sessions last term due to the Culmington Manor trip/school closure are as follows:

- **Friday 20 April 2018**
- **Friday 27 April 2018**

If your child attended Tekers on a Friday **last term**, you are invited to attend the above sessions.

Please note that the new Tekers sessions for **this term** will commence as follows:

- **Wednesday Group - Wednesday 25 April 2018 – Years 4, 5 and 6**
- **Friday Group - Friday 4 May 2018 – Years 3, 4 and 5**

If you wish your child to attend, please fill in a consent form and return it to the office by the closing date indicated in the letter and make your payment via ParentPay. We still have places available, so if you wish to collect a letter, please come to the office.

Clubs – lunchtime and after school clubs

Letters were sent out at the end of last term for the various clubs for this term.

Your payment will need to be made via ParentPay and consents slips need to be returned to the office. We cannot accept any application, until we have received **both**. You will be advised as soon as possible after the closing date as to whether your child has been given a place at your requested club.

Dates for your diary for this term

See attached diary dates for the Summer Term 2018. Details regarding Inspire/Coffee mornings will be confirmed in next week's newsletter.

Class Assembly – Wednesday 25 April 2018 – 4B

Parents/Guardians of pupils in 4B are invited to their class assembly on 25 April at 9.05 am. The assembly will last for approximately 40 minutes. We look forward to seeing you but appreciate that some parents/guardians may be unable to attend due to family or work commitments.

Thursday Lunchtime Craft Club with Jeanette Nicholls

Some of our children choose to attend the above lunchtime club and will shortly receive an invitation to bring home inviting their families to attend an afternoon tea and craft activities. The event will take place on Sunday 20 May 2018 at 3.00 pm to 5.00 pm at St Michael's Church, Church Road. B73 5RX.

General Information

Music Fees for Summer Term - £75

A reminder that music fees for the summer term (April – July 2018) are now due – please check ParentPay to be sure you are up to date.

Guitar Lessons - Mondays

Mrs Robinson, the guitar teacher has one space available after school on a Monday at 4.30 pm. If you are interested in finding out more information, please contact her on 0121 354 4234 or 07932395158.

School Uniform Grant Applications 2018 – Sutton Coldfield Charitable Trust

Uniform grant forms are now available from the school office. The closing date for their return to us is **Friday 27 April 2018**.

Attendance for last week

The winners of our weekly Head Teacher's certificate for the best attendance week ending 29 March 2018 is class 4H. Whole School Attendance for week ending 29/3/2018 was 95.71%

Busy Bodies News – April Booking Forms

We have been made aware that school places for September 2018 have now been given out. If you have a sibling who you wish to join our club, please ensure that you fill out an application form as soon as possible, so that we will know how many places we will have for September.

If you are aware of any families that wish to have a place at Busy Bodies, please inform them to collect an application form from the Busy Bodies desk or on line at the Federation of Boldmere Schools website (both Part 1 and Part 2 of the Registration pack must be completed) and returned by **Friday 22nd June, which is the final date for all Registration forms to be completed.**

If any families wish to see Busy Bodies in action, we will be having an open session **by appointment only** during the **week commencing 11th June**. For more information please phone the **Busy Bodies desk on 0121 464 1343 to make an appointment to look around our club**.

We look forward to seeing you soon.

PTA

Welcome back after Easter... We hope your children enjoyed the Smartie gift that they came home with before the break. A little reminder, if your children have been collecting their 20p's, then we kindly ask that the sealed tubes be returned **by Friday 27th of April**. (They don't have to be full.) Clearly mark the tube with your child's name and class. Every child that has returned a tube containing money, will be entered into the draw to win a special breakfast at the Harvester in Boldmere.

The sun is promised, so look out for our Frozen Fundays. The Ice cream stall will be in-between the schools every afternoon after school. 50p and £1 ice creams and lollies to be had.

We have some AMAZING Boldmere dads doing an AMAZING thing. From 25 to 28 May 2018 they are cycling over 400 Miles in 4 days around Northern Ireland to raise money for the children at our schools. The money raised will be used for new sporting equipment for the infant and junior schools, which will be of benefit to all the children. PLEASE take a look and if you can spare a pound (or two :)) our children will reap the rewards <https://www.totalgiving.co.uk/mypage/boldmeredadscycling2018> please feel free to share. Their team target is £1000 but they hope to raise more! Please help them. They are doing all the hard work!

Community News

St George's Day Family Fun Day – Sutton Coldfield West Scouts **Saturday 21 April 2018 1 pm to 4.30 pm – Boldmere Gate (playing field)** **Sutton Park**

The above event is taking place this Saturday. Its aim is to provide a fun family afternoon for local families whilst also show casing what modern day Scouting has to offer. There will be a short service aimed at young children around the St George story, followed by an afternoon of activities and games stalls, including bouncy castles, assault courses, fire lighting, archery, face painting, coconut shy, pioneering challenges etc.

FOLIO Sutton Coldfield (Friends Of Libraries In Our – Sutton Coldfield)

FOLIO is a registered charity. It is a community group of Sutton Coldfield residents who want to see our public libraries not just survive, but thrive at the heart of our community. As you may be aware, Sutton's central library recently reopened following an 18 month campaign to save it, which has included FOLIO installing a revenue-raising café inside it. This charity promotes and supports the library through fund raising, facilitating events and raising awareness of our local libraries.

Parent's Wellbeing Programme

This is a six week course to support parents in maintaining their own well being when they are raising a child/children with additional needs. It is being offered free of charge by the Weaver and Young Foundation as a

result of their receiving Lottery Funding. There are a number of places still available for anyone who can attend the six sessions on Thursday evenings 7.00-9.30pm (includes a 30 minute refreshment break) in the community room, The Harvester, Boldmere Road.

The dates are as follows- 19th April, 3rd May, 17th May, 7th June, 21st June, 5th July. Please contact Jeanette Nicholls to book places (mobile – 07492474472, jeanette.cfm@gmail.com)

Balance Collective – Workshop: Resilient Job Searching: A Road Map to Success – Free Workshop for unemployed parents – Tuesday 24 April 10 until 12 at the Hub, Mere Green Community Centre, Mere Green Road, B75 5BT.

The Grammar Schools in Birmingham – Grammar Schools’ admissions – entry 2019 - FAO year 5 parents/guardians

In the school office we have an information brochure outlining the arrangements for admission to the eight Grammar Schools in Birmingham. If you wish to have a copy, please call into the office. Children only need to sit one entrance test to be considered for one or more of the Grammar Schools in Birmingham. These schools are free of charge.

The **entrance test** to be considered for entry to any of the Grammar Schools in Birmingham in September 2019 will be held on **Saturday 8 September 2018** and parents of **Year 5** children considering a Grammar School education for their child will need to register them for the test by **4pm on Friday 29 June 2018**. Parents can find out more information on the schools admission policies and can register their child for the test by visiting www.birminghamgrammarschools.org Information regarding open days will be available on the individual school websites.

Yours sincerely

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Head of School