

# NEWSLETTER - APRIL 1



Dear Parents

## Easter Bonnet Parade and Competition - Friday 7<sup>th</sup> April

It's that time again! Be as creative and imaginative as you can (children not parents!) and come to school on Friday 7<sup>th</sup> April wearing your Easter Bonnet. We shall have a parade around the playground as soon as children have been registered in the morning. Please stay and support if you can. Prizes will be given out during assembly. Good luck everyone.

## Nursery - Easter Bonnet Parade

A letter will be sent home from Nursery giving details of their Easter Bonnet parade. The parades will take place at 11.00am and 1.00pm.

## Congratulations Board

Well done to these children for being nominated by their teachers:

- Jack Toon (RE)
- Tabitha Harvey (RI)
- Daniel Chubb (RM)
- Freya Lealan (1C)
- Emmelia Ho (1E)
- Mary Stroud (1P)
- Grace Farrelly (2B)
- Olivia Frodsham (2T)
- Logan Hubbard (2W)

## Celebrating Attendance

Congratulations to 2T, Owl class for having the best attendance in school last week (98%). Well done Owls!

## Congratulations!

We are very excited to announce that Miss Wigley (2W) is getting married during the Easter holidays and will return to school as Mrs Hannan! We hope that she has a wonderful day and enjoys the celebration.

## Goodbye Chicks!

We said a sad goodbye to our chicks last week. The children have really enjoyed watching the eggs hatch, the chicks grow and learning how to handle and care for them.

## Offer of Places Reception 2017 & Transfer from Year Two to Year Three

The offer of places will be posted out or emailed on Monday 18<sup>th</sup> April by the Local Authority.

## Nursery 2017

Places will be offered on Friday 5<sup>th</sup> May. Details of deadline dates for accepting places will be given in the offer letters. Please reply promptly.

## Barnaby Bear

Please write Mrs Kenny a letter if you would like him to spend the Easter holidays with you and your family.

## Applications for Nursery September 2017

The closing date for Nursery applications for this year is Thursday 6<sup>th</sup> April. Please call in to the school office for more details.

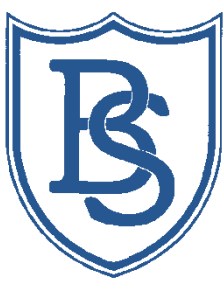
## Year Two Puppet Making Workshop

Thank you to all the parents/carers who came to our puppet making workshops last week. The children really enjoyed making 'superhero' puppets.

## Lunchtime Clubs

Letters have been sent home today giving information on lunchtime clubs starting after half term. The closing date for applications is 9am on Friday 7<sup>th</sup> April.





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## Sutton Charities School Uniform Grants

The Trustees are again making awards to parents to assist with the purchase of school uniform. To be eligible for an award parents must be a permanent resident in one of the four wards of Sutton Coldfield and be in receipt of any of the following:

- Income Support
- Job Seeker's Allowance
- Employment and Support Allowance
- Child Tax Credit
- Working Tax Credit maximum income levels may apply)
- Guarantee Element of State Pension Credit

If parents have children at more than one school, it will only be necessary to complete one form per family. If you think you may be eligible, please collect a form from the school office. Forms must be returned to school by Friday 28<sup>th</sup> April 2017.

## The Big Pedal

Thank you to all those who participated in the Big Pedal. We had a fantastic 'Superhero' day and raised approximately £195 for Sustrans.

## PTA News

Look in your bags this week for a little gift from us. Each child will come home with a Silver Smarties pack. Please read the instructions that accompany the gift.

The 'Boldmere Best' team is now 30 strong! Thank you to everybody that is going to be running for the school in the Great Midlands Fun Run - there is 10 weeks till the big day. For anybody that is running there will be a training meet up at 9am every Sunday in May at Boldmere Gate in Sutton Park. If you know anyone running, please do sponsor them. It's a great event for the school.

## Easter Holiday Activities

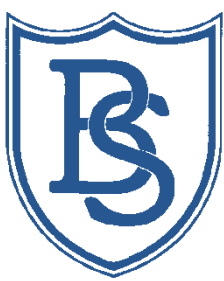
Information can be found in the letter rack by the school office.

## School Meals

If any children wish to change their school meal arrangements after half term, please advise Mrs Moore in the school office by 5<sup>th</sup> April 2017.

## Islamic Relief Clothing Collection

Clothing collection bags will be coming home this week. This charity uses the money raised from clothing donations to support and fund long term projects such as education, water systems, micro-finance initiatives and medical and emergency aid. In 2014 they implemented water projects in Yemen, giving beneficiaries access to water in their local area. Last year, funds raised from clothing donations helped Islamic Relief build two girls schools in Iraq, sponsored orphans and supported orphan projects in several countries. Please send in your unwanted clothes for collection on **Thursday 27<sup>th</sup> April.**



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## Busy Bodies Parents/Carers - IMPORTANT INFORMATION

### April booking forms

A reminder that booking forms and fees for April are now overdue. If you have not handed in your form or fees yet please do so immediately, so that we can finalise all payments ready for the holiday.

Also a quick reminder that on your April booking forms the 4th May is a Voting day and our schools will be closed including Busy Bodies. If you have already handed in your form and paid for this day, it will be credited to your account to be used for next month's payments. If you have any concerns with regards to this, please speak to a member of staff.

### May booking forms.

Please be aware that from the 8th May 2017 there will be an increase in charges and therefore this will affect your May booking forms. All parents and carers are required to collect a letter from the busy bodies desk where all the information that you require will be explained. Please ensure that your new parent contract and charging policies are signed and returned to us by Friday 5th May. We would like to take this chance to thank you in advance for your kind support and co-operation on this matter.

### Message from Jeanette Nicholls, Children's & Families' Missioner

This coming Friday morning the Junior School children will be visiting St Michael's Church for their Easter collective worship when they will have the opportunity to receive a Palm Cross as they leave. I would like to invite all the family to the services being held over the following week.

### Easter services at St Michael's Church

Beginning on Sunday 9th at 10.30am there is a combined service on Palm Sunday with a dramatic reading of the events of Jesus entering Jerusalem by pupils of Centrestage school of speech and drama. Friday 14th April at 10am there is a service for children and adults remembering the death of Jesus on Good Friday. Our celebration on Easter Day (Sunday 16th April) starts with an Easter Dawn Service at 6.00am which is followed by a light breakfast and at 10.30am there is an Easter Worship for All service.

Happy Easter to you all

School breaks up for Easter this Friday, 7<sup>th</sup> April and children return to school on Monday 24<sup>th</sup> April 2017.

We wish everyone an enjoyable Easter break.

Mrs S Kenny  
Head of School  
4<sup>th</sup> April 2017

