



4 December 2020

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NEWSLETTER

Article 28

Every child has the right to an education

Dear Parents, Carers and Friends

Covid

Public Health England phoned us yesterday to praise the school as we are one of the very few that hasn't had to close any bubbles. Unfortunately, half an hour later we had to close our first bubble due to a positive case! Class 5/6LS will isolate until **15th December**. **No other bubbles are affected and the children should continue to attend.** The symptoms of the child who tested positive was headaches. Please be vigilant and get your child tested if they display symptoms. **Please continue to wear a mask on school site.** Keep safe and take care!

Bug Club

This is our on-line reading scheme. Please make sure your child is reading regularly at home either their reading book or on the Bug Club site.

Christmas Party Day

Thursday 17th December

Children should come to school in warm party clothes.

Christmas Jumper Day

Friday 18th December

We will be supporting "Save the Children" again this Christmas and invite the children to wear something Christmassy in return for a donation to this very worthwhile charity.

Poppy Appeal

Thanks to everyone who contributed to this year's poppy appeal. The grand total this year was an amazing £608.20!

There is a copy of our certificate and the letter we received from our local branch on our website.

Christmas Dinner Day

Wednesday 9th December

Please book your child's Christmas Lunch on School Money. Special

Christmas menu.

Covid Winter Grant Scheme

Children who are on benefits assessed Free School Meals will be receiving a Winter Grant Scheme voucher to the value of £30 per child to cover the Christmas holiday, these will be issued on Wed 16th December more details to follow.

Christmas Cards

There will be no post-box this year for Christmas cards due to the pandemic.

Christmas presents

We have received some enquiries about presents for staff. If you wish to send a present, they will have to be quarantined for 72 hours in school. Many thanks!

Primary School Admissions

Online applications opened on 1st October and close on **15th January 2021**. See next page for more information.

Praise Awards

Children who gained badges and certificates deserve our special congratulations:

W/C 30th November 2020 Key Stage One

| | |
|----------------|-----------------|
| RER Hedgehogs | Isla Belcher |
| RR Foxes | Finlay Burton |
| 1/2B Squirrels | Eui Hudson |
| 1/2D Moles | Genie-Jo Slater |
| 2W Badgers | Ava Nicholls |

Key Stage Two

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|---------------|-------------------|
| 3/4A Chestnut | Riley Green |
| 3/4H Oak | Ismail Abaasi |
| 4D Elder | Isaac Robinson |
| 5/6LS Beech | James Smith |
| 5/6T Holly | Scarlett Coffield |
| 6B Rowan | Billy Willetts |

WELL DONE ALL



The leading weekly point scorers for Thursday 26th Nov pm to Thursday 3rd Dec at Noon:

Year 3 1st Connie 3/4A
 2nd Jack 3/4A
 3rd Harry 3/4H

Year 4 1st Chloe 4D
 2nd Logan 3/4A
 3rd Isabella 3/4H

Year 5 1st Ashley 5/6T
 2nd Grace 5/6LS
 3rd Chloe 5/6LS

Year 6 1st Kayden 6B
 2nd Lucas 6B
 3rd Matthew 6B

Please practise your tables on TT Rockstars and see if you can make our weekly leader board.

WELL DONE ALL

COVID

If you have symptoms and are waiting for your test results the whole household should self isolate.

Self Isolation Restrictions

- do not go to work, school or public places – work from home if you can
- do not go on public transport or use taxis
- do not go out to get food and medicine – order it online or by phone, or ask someone to bring it to your home
- do not have visitors in your home, including friends and family – except for people providing essential care
- do not go out to exercise – exercise at home or in your garden, if you have one

ATTENDANCE

The target for school attendance is
96%

Please see the table below for the
class attendance percentages.

| Class | From 1 Sep | W/C 23 Nov |
|--------------|------------|------------|
| RER | 95.54 | 95.00 |
| RR | 97.80 | 96.38 |
| 1/2B | 96.68 | 100 |
| 1/2D | 96.07 | 92.00 |
| 2W | 97.69 | 99.64 |
| 3/4A | 98.04 | 98.74 |
| 3/4H | 93.85 | 94.70 |
| 4D | 96.65 | 97.79 |
| 5/6LS | 96.22 | 97.24 |
| 5/6T | 94.72 | 89.26 |
| 6B | 96.30 | 97.55 |
| Whole School | 96.32 | 96.21 |

Dinner Information

All dinners must be booked through
School Money.

If you are having problems saving
your child's menu choices please
search for school money using
Google and login through that link
rather than through the app.

Thank you

The new three week menu is on our
website.

Menu

WC 7 December 2020
(Week 2)

Monday

Cheese savoury
Cod fish finger
Pasta and seasonal vegetables

Iced Sponge Cake

Tuesday

Chicken wrap
Bubble Fish (gluten free)
Baby bakers and seasonal
vegetables

Chocolate crunch

Wednesday

Special Christmas Lunch

please see menu choices on School
Money

Thursday

Beef grill with salad
Salt and vinegar fish goujons
Potato wedges and seasonal
vegetables

Shortbread biscuit

Friday

Margherita pizza
Baked fish
Chipped potatoes and seasonal
vegetables

Strawberry mousse

Available every day

Grab bags which contain a sandwich
either cheese, tuna or ham filling.
Salad bag.
One from a cake, biscuit or yoghurt.
Fresh fruit
Water

Jacket Potato with a choice of
cheese, beans or cheese and beans.

To apply for **Free School Meals** please
complete the online form at
[www.dudley.gov.uk/residents/
benefits/free-school-meals](http://www.dudley.gov.uk/residents/benefits/free-school-meals)

Please apply even if your children are
in Reception, Year 1 and Year 2 as
children who are entitled to benefits
assessed free school meals attract
more funding for the school.

Starting Primary School in September 2021

Why not apply for a place online?
If your child was born between 1
Sept 2016 and 31 Aug 2017 they
will be due to start primary school
in September 2021.

You **MUST** complete an application
either online at [www.dudley.gov.uk/
admissions](http://www.dudley.gov.uk/admissions) or by completing an
application form from your home
local authority by **15 JANUARY
2021**. You can include five school
preferences on the application;
there is nothing to gain by only put-
ting one preference.

The online system will be available
24 hours a day, 7 days a week from
1 Oct 2020 until the closing date
for applications on
15 JANUARY 2021

O.S.C.A.

Afterschool Club:

3.15pm–4.30pm

£3.50 per session

3.15pm–6pm

£7.00 per session

(Healthy snack/drink included)

4.30–6.00pm(after sports clubs)

£3.50 per session

Activities include:

Colouring & craft Board games

Sewing Puzzles

Computers Outdoor play

Construction toys Group games

To register for OSCA please collect
an information pack from
Mrs Janet Oakes before or after
school in the KS1 block.

BOOKINGS

Due to safeguarding requirements
all bookings must be made at least
a week in advance via School
Money

No last minute bookings will be
accepted except in a dire
emergency.

Places are very limited due to Covid
restrictions

O.S.C.A.

Breakfast at School

Why not come along and have
breakfast with us?

7.30am-8.45am

£3.50 per session

All cooked breakfast food needs
to be ordered by 8.00am.

One of the following will be
available each day on a rota ba-
sis:

Beans on toast, crumpets,
pancakes, bagels, croissants.

Available every day:-
cereals, toast with butter or jam,
fruit, milk or water.

Activities available every day
include toys, colouring etc.