

NEWSLETTER



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Article 28

Every child has the right to an education

Dear Parents, Carers and Friends

Christmas Dinner

Thank you to Gemma, Nicky and Emma in the kitchen for the wonderful Christmas fayre!

MP's Christmas Card Competition



Congratulations to Holly Barnes in Year 6 who won this year's Christmas card competition which will be used by our local MP Mike Wood. Mike visited the school today to present Holly with her prize. All the children who entered will receive a smashing certificate from Mike Wood's office.

Christmas Holiday

We break up on **Friday 18th December** at **15.15pm.** Monday 4th January is an INSET day, the children return to school on Tuesday 5th January.

School Web Site

The glitch on mobile phones when accessing our website has now been rectified. Newsletters and latest news can be found on the website.

Covid

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!

Christmas Party Day Thursday 17th December

Children should come to school in warm party clothes.

Christmas Cards

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

Reporting Covid Cases

If your child has Covid symptoms within 48 hours of being in school on Friday 18th Dec and receives a positive test result please inform us by emailing <code>info@ashwood.dudley.sch.uk</code> so we can tell Public Health and alert other children who could be affected.

If your child is waiting for results of a test taken before the end of term and receives a positive result after we have broken up please inform us by emailing <code>info@ashwood.dudley.sch.uk</code> so we can tell Public Health and alert other children who could be affected.

For more information see the letter from Dudley MBC posted on our website

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. Uniform not required.

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 by email.

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 7th December 2020 Key Stage One

RER Hedgehogs Cicero

Mazzocchio-Cockle

RR Foxes Alfie Guest
1/2B Squirrels Charlie Smith
1/2D Moles Zoey Bradley
2W Badgers Owen Wood

Key Stage Two

3/4A Chestnut Caitlyn Taylor
3/4H Oak Cole Hudson
4D Elder Ronnie Willetts
5/6T Holly Henry Sparshott
6B Rowan Archie Jordan

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 30 Nov
RER	95.45	94.50
RR	97.72	96.82
1/2B	96.81	98.46
1/2D	96.14	97.04
2W	97.88	100
3/4A	98.19	100
3/4H	93.81	93.33
4D	96.43	93.84
5/6LS	96.41	99.12
5/6T	94.21	88.42
6B	96.11	93.45
Whole School	96.28	95.84



The leading weekly point scorers for Thursday 3rd Dec pm to Thursday 10th Dec at Noon:

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

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

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

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

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

WELL DONE ALL

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 three week menu is on our website.

Menu

WC 14 December 2020 (Week 3)

Veggie ball sub roll
Fish goujons
Pasta salad and seasonal vegetables

Carrot cake

Tuesday

Sausage roll (vegan option available)
Breaded white fish
Sauté potatoes and seasonal
vegetables

Chocolate surprise

Wednesday

Chicken wrap and salad Salmon nibbles Baby bakers and seasonal vegetables

Melting moment

Thursday

Macaroni cheese with garlic bread BBQ fish goujon Savoury rice and seasonal vegetables

Butterscotch and ginger cake

Friday

Margherita pizza
Baked fish
Chipped potatoes and seasonal
vegetables

Oaty cookie

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

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.

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 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

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 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 putting 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**