



NEWSLETTER

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Article 28

Every child has the right to an education

Dear Parents, Carers and Friends

Covid Update from Dudley

Face Coverings in Schools. Primary age children are not required to wear a face covering in school, but staff should wear a face covering when leaving their bubble and moving around school. Parents are also expected to wear a face covering when on the school site and when distancing is not possible at pick up and drop off times.

Symptom Free (Lateral Flow testing (LFT) for children & staff There is no national recommendation for primary-age pupils to have a LFT. Staff in primary schools are still required to do twice weekly LFT. This continues to be the national and local expectation as an important tool in managing infection rates and reducing opportunity for further spread. It regularly identifies people with no symptoms, therefore reduces transmission and the number of children and young people that may need to isolate. We would like to encourage parents and carers to carry out twice weekly symptom-free (LFT) tests so we can identify positive cases at the earliest opportunity and help to stop transmission Residents can access symptom free tests in a number of ways: • Collect kits from local pharmacies • Collect kits from local sites • Get a test done at a local testing site • Via the post You will need to register the result of your test on the government website. For more information go to www.dudley.gov.uk/symptom-free-testing.

Vaccine for Parents and Carers From Thursday 20th May all adults aged 34 and over in Dudley are eligible to receive a covid-19 vaccination, we encourage all eligible people to have the vaccine when offered. You will be notified directly from the NHS or from your GP as to when you can book your slot. For more information go to

www.dudley.gov.uk/coronavirus

Other Arrangements Schools will be continuing with their system of controls

to manage infection rates such as staggered start and finish times, one-way systems and expectation that parents remain socially distanced and wear face coverings on site. Schools will also be continuing to arrange children and young people in groups / bubbles . We may also at times ask for the introduction of extended measures for pupils or staff in response to localised outbreaks, including variants of concern.

General Controls Continue to do the things that you have been doing to keep our education settings safe. These are: • Not sending your child to their nursery, childminder, school or college if they are showing coronavirus symptoms or someone within the household is showing symptoms • Arranging a test if you or your child develops symptoms*(see below) – no matter how mild – and informing the nursery, childminder, school or college of the result • Keeping your child at home where they have been identified as having contact with a confirmed case either in school or elsewhere • Ensuring that the whole household isolate where a household member is awaiting a result, and continued isolation if test result is positive • Reinforcing with your children the importance of washing/sanitising hands, make space and minimise contact • Supporting your schools by understanding and reinforcing the measures and procedures expected by your school; hands, face, space, test • Continuing to adhere to the national guidelines Be aware of symptoms and arrange a test **The 3 classic covid-19 symptoms are;** • a new, continuous cough • a high temperature • a loss or change to your sense of smell or taste. Anyone with the above symptoms must isolate (and their household) and arrange a PCR test. **Other Symptoms** which may be linked to covid-19; • headaches • sneezing • aches and pains • tummy ache in children • sore throat • feeling

very tired for no good reason • runny nose. Anyone feeling generally unwell or with these symptoms is asked to take a PCR test to check if it is covid-19 or seasonal illness. If you would like any more help and advice around COVID-19, please go to: <https://www.gov.uk/coronavirus>.

School Day Start Times

Reminder that the start and finish times for school sessions are:

Nursery AM 8.30am to 11.30am
Nursery PM 12.30pm to 3.30pm
Reception 8.50am to 3.15pm
Years 1 & 2 8.40am to 3.05pm
Years 3 & 4 8.40am to 3.05pm
Years 5 & 6 8.50am to 3.15pm

Children should arrive on school premises no more than 10 minutes before their session starts. Several children are arriving too early and are not supervised.

PRAISE AWARDS

Children who gained badges and certificates deserve our special congratulations:

W/C 17 May 2021

Key Stage One

RER Hedgehogs	Jax
RR Foxes	Marnie
1/2B Squirrels	Alfie
1/2D Moles	Oscar
2W Badgers	Harry A

Key Stage Two

3/4A Chestnut	Jessica
3/4H Oak	Ellie
4D Elder	Madison
5/6LS Beech	Phoebe
5/6T Holly	Ryan
6B Rowan	Matthew
6B Rowan	Taylor

WELL DONE ALL



This weeks individual winners are:

- 1st William 3/4A
- 2nd Connie 3/4A
- 3rd Henry 5/6T

The winning class is 3/4A

WELL DONE ALL

This weeks leading weekly point



scorers are:

- Year 3 1st Connie 3/4A
- 2nd Jayden 3/4A
- 3rd Kayleigh 3/4A

- Year 4 1st William 3/4A
- 2nd Logan 3/4A
- 3rd Louise 3/4A

- Year 5 1st Michael 5/6T
- 2nd Caelan 5/6T
- 3rd Josh N 5/6T

- Year 6 1st Draydon 6B
- 2nd Lucas 6B
- 3rd Kayden 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 24th May (Week 3)

Monday

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

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

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.

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 basis:
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.

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