



# NEWSLETTER

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## Article 28

Every child has the right to an education

Dear Parents, Carers and Friends

### Message from Mr Butler

Please note that Pizza will be served for lunch on Thursday 7th October.

Look out for Mrs Dhaliwal on TV on Sunday, she is running the London Marathon and raising funds for Macmillan Cancer Care. Good luck.

### Toddler Group

We are pleased to announce that Toddler Group will recommence on Tuesday 5th Oct. Details on the website and Facebook page.

### Inset Days

Friday 22nd October, Monday 1st November and Tuesday 4th January school will be closed to children for staff training.

### Medical / Dental appointments.

Where possible, please make appointments outside of school hours to minimise disruption to learning in school. Thank you.

### Covid-19 update

We have opened up the playgrounds for the children but other measures are still in place for now. Lunches are being served in the classrooms. We are monitoring the cases locally and taking advice from Public Health England. If your child develops a new persistent cough, has a high temperature or loses their sense of smell or taste please obtain a PCR test and report the result to school. If anyone in your household tests positive for Covid please arrange a PCR test for your children and await a negative result before sending them to school. Thanks for your understanding and support!

### Photographs

Tempest will be in school on Tuesday October 12th to take the children's photographs. We will start at 8.15am for families with babies and toddlers.

### Parking

Please respect our neighbours when dropping off the children, don't block driveways and be aware of the children at busy times- thank you

### PE

Earrings cannot be worn in PE and must be removed before lessons. We cannot take the children's earrings out and plasters can not be placed over them for PE. Children cannot do PE in their school shoes so please ensure that the children have appropriate footwear and their PE kit for PE. Many thanks.

### School Term Dates

#### 2020 Autumn Term

Fri 22nd October INSET day  
Half Term Mon 25th October to Fri 29th October

Mon 1st November INSET day  
Tuesday 2nd November children return to school

Term Ends Fri 17th Dec

#### 2021 Spring Term

Term starts: Tues 4th January Inset Day

Wed 5th January Children return to school

Half Term Mon 21st Feb to Fri 25th Feb

Term Ends Fri 8th April

#### 2022 Summer Term

Term starts: Mon 25th April  
Mon 2nd May May Day Bank Holiday

Half Term Mon 30th May to Fri 3rd June

Term Ends Thurs 22nd July

### Fluenx vaccines

There will be a catch up session at Ladies Walk Clinic Sedgley for children who missed their nasal vaccine on Thursday 28th October. Please telephone 01384 431712 to book an appointment.



Ashwood Park Primary School Toddler group  
Tuesdays 9 – 11 a.m in Key Stage 1 hall

- ◆ Parents, Grandparents, aunts and uncles, child-minders etc. are all welcome!
- ◆ £3.50 for 1st child,
- ◆ £1 for 2nd child (This is a small price increase but we feel it is still good value for money)
- ◆ KS1 Hall
- ◆ Lots of toys and activities including art & craft, singing and much more.
- ◆ Refreshments provided for children and adults
- ◆ Hope to see you on Tuesday!
- ◆ Just turn up on the day and you will be made very welcome.

### PRAISE AWARDS

Children who gained badges and certificates deserve our special congratulations:

W/C 27th September 2021

#### Key Stage One

RER Hedgehogs	Ted
RR Foxes	Kaiden
1/2B Squirrels	Maegan
1/2D Moles	Ivy
2W Badgers	Oliver

#### Key Stage Two

3/4D Elder	Sally
3/4H Oak	Finnley
4LR Chestnut	Shaylee-Rae
5/6GS Beech	Alishba
5/6T Holly	Chloe
6AB Rowan	James S

WELL DONE ALL

## Harvest Collection

We will be collecting for the Black Country Food Bank again this year. Please send donations in to school from Monday 4th October to Friday 8th October.

Items required are listed below. Many thanks!

These are the food items you can donate:-

Milk (UHT or powder, preferably semi-skimmed)  
Breakfast Cereal (preferably non-sugared)  
Tin/Carton/Packet Soup  
Fruit Juice (carton long life)  
Fruit Squash/Cordial  
Pasta Sauce/Cooking Sauces  
Tin/Carton Rice/Sponge Pudding  
Tin/Carton Tomatoes  
Pasta/Rice/Couscous 500g/1kg)  
Tinned Vegetables  
Tea Bags (40's/80's), Coffee (small)  
Potato (Instant Mash or tinned)  
Biscuits  
Tinned Meat/Fish  
Tinned Fruit (in juice preferably)  
Sugar (500g/1kg)  
Instant Hot Chocolate (preferably to be made with water) Packets of instant noodles  
Tinned Pies  
Biscuits, Crackers, Crisp breads  
Healthy Snacks (Raisins, Apricots etc.)

and these are the non-food items you can donate:-

Can Opener  
Shower Gel  
Shampoo/conditioner  
Deodorant  
Anti-Bac Hand Gel  
Tooth Brush/Toothpaste  
Children's Toothbrush/Paste  
Flannel/Sponge  
Tissues (handy size)  
Nappies (all size)  
Baby Wipes and Baby Lotion  
Baby Wash/Shampoo  
Sanitary Towels (not tampons)  
Toilet Roll  
Shaving Gel/Foam (not razors)  
Washing Up Liquid  
Small Boxes of Washing Powder

## Dinner Information

All dinners must be booked through School Money. **Dinners must be booked on School Money the day before they are needed.**

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

## Menu

### WC 4th October (Week 3)

Fish goujons  
Vegan cottage pie  
Homemade wedges, peas and sweetcorn

Carrot cake

### Tuesday

Steak pie  
Veggie ball sub roll  
Battered white fish  
Mashed potato and mixed vegetables

Chocolate cake

### Wednesday

Chicken and stuffing  
Halal chicken  
Quorn and sweet potato tikka curry  
Cod bites  
Boiled, roast potatoes, rice, carrots and cabbage

Chocolate oatly cookie

### Thursday

**Baked fish  
Cheese and tomato pizza/ vegan option available  
Chipped potatoes, spaghetti hoops and sweetcorn**

Ice Cream

### Friday

All day breakfast  
Mac and cheese with tomato bread  
Fishcake  
Hash brown potatoes, baked beans and peas

Strawberry shortbread

### **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.

Fruit jelly, yoghurt

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

Unfortunately there may be some late changes due to the availability of the menu items.

## Starting Primary School in September 2021

Why not apply for a place online? If your child was born between 1 Sept 2017 and 31 Aug 2018 they will be due to start primary school in September 2022.

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 2022**. 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 2021** until the closing date for applications on **15 JANUARY 2022**

Attendance at a nursery attached to a primary school will not guarantee admission to that particular primary school or give any advantage to the pupil in the admissions process.

## Starting Secondary School in September 2022

Why not apply for a place online? If your child is due to start secondary school in 2022 then you will have to apply for a school place before 31 October 2021.

You **MUST** complete an application either online at [www.dudley.gov.uk/admissions](http://www.dudley.gov.uk/admissions) or by completing the application form provided by your home local authority. You can include six 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 Sept 2021 until the closing date for applications on

**31 OCTOBER 2021.**