



NEWSLETTER

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Every child has the right to an education

Dear Parents, Carers and Friends

Message from Mr Butler

Mrs Bunn

Mrs Bunn safely delivered her new baby- George Barney. Both are doing well and we all send her and husband Mark our very best wishes!

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 are continuing with the same procedures in school until October half term. Cases of Covid are rising at 20% per day in Dudley schools and we want to keep everyone as safe as possible. 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.

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.

Harvest Collection

We will be collecting for the Black Country Foodbank. Please send donations to school between Mon 6th and Fri 10th October. There is a list of suggested items on the back of the newsletter.

School Day Start and Finish Times

Reminder for the rest of this half term 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.

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

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 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.**

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

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.

Fluenx Nasal Vaccinations

These will be given in school on

Monday 27th September.

Please return the consent forms

ASAP even if you do not consent to your child having the vaccination.

Thanks

Starting Primary School in September 2022

The online system will open from 1st October. More details will be included in the newsletter towards the end of September.

PRAISE AWARDS

Children who gained badges and certificates deserve our special congratulations:

W/C 20th September 2021

Key Stage One

RER Hedgehogs	Ilyaa-Rae
RR Foxes	Finley
1/2B Squirrels	James
1/2D Moles	Orla
2W Badgers	Jacob

Key Stage Two

3/4D Elder	Ruby
3/4H Oak	Matilda
4LR Chestnut	Angel
5/6GS Beech	Amelia T
5/6T Holly	Miley
6AB Rowan	Josh

WELL DONE ALL

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 27th September (Week 2)

Monday

Spaghetti bolognese and garlic bread
Southern style Quorn burger
Cod fish finger
Pasta and mixed vegetables

Flapjack

Tuesday

Chicken wrap
Halal chicken wrap
Cheese wrap
Gluten free bubble fish
Baked wedges, sweetcorn and peas
Brownie

Wednesday

Roast pork and apple sauce
Vegan meatballs with pasta in tomato sauce
Fish cake
Boiled, roast potatoes, broccoli and mixed vegetables

Shortbread

Thursday

Beef burger
Halal beef burger
Cheese savoury
Salt and vinegar goujons
Mashed potatoes, baked beans and cauliflower
Lemon drizzle cake

Friday

Fish crumble pie
Cheese and tomato pizza/ vegan option available
Chipped potatoes, baked beans and peas
Chocolate muffin or ice cream

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

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.

Harvest Collection

We will be collecting for the Black Country Food Bank again this year. Please send donations in to school from Monday 6th October to Friday 10th 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