

Dear Parents, Carers and Friends

Message from Mr Butler

Children In Need 2021 Many thanks for your

donations. We collected £357.25.



School Meals

Reminder all school meals need to be booked on School Money the day before they are needed. It is very difficult for the kitchen to cater for the correct meals when on Monday 69 had been booked but 114 children wanted dinners!! Please help our kitchen team by booking in advance. Please contact the school office if you need your password resetting. Thank you

Cars on Site

Only visitors to school who have obtained permission can come down the drive. **The speed limit is 5mph.** If you are driving on site please be mindful of others. It is very busy and we need to minimise the risks. Do not park on the staff car park. Many thanks.



Christmas Activities

Christmas lunches...Wed 15th Dec please book on the app!

Christmas parties...Thursday 16th December

Christmas Jumper Day...Friday 10th Dec. This year the proceeds will go to one of our families who are dealing with very challenging medical issues. Please support us with a donation and a Jazzy jumper! Attendance The target for school attendance is 96.5 % Please see the table below for the class attendance percentages

Class	From 2 Sep	W/C 15 Nov
RER	94.00	83.04
RR	90.94	86.92
1/2B	95.00	91.73
1/2D	93.73	95.65
2W	94.22	88.08
3/4D	94.37	84.64
3/4H	94.35	89.50
4LR	96.61	97.41
5/6GS	94.01	94.93
5/6T	96.41	99.28
6AB	94.82	92.81
Whole School	94.49	91.50

Please inform school on the first day of absence by either emailing info@ashwood.dudley.sch.uk or by telephoning 01384 818545



Please can you find time to encourage your children to practise their learning on TT Rockstars or Numbots and Spelling Shed.

The published leader boards will return soon!

Thank you



Covid Update

We have been advised by Public Health to wear masks when coming into school or if you are in close proximity to others when picking or dropping the children up. Let's keep safe !

Early Years News

Nursery have loved learning about and making dinosaurs with shapes this week! Reception have started reading a favourite book by Julia Donaldson called Stick Man! They enjoyed going to find him in Forest School!



Key Stage 1 News

This week in Year 1 and 2 we have been exploring our Forest School. We built dens, looked for mini beasts, and thought about how we could help the animals through the Winter months. We have also shown off our acting skills being characters from our online story The Caterpillar Shoes! Next week we will be making moving monsters in our Design technology lessons and finding out more about the minibeasts from our Forest.



PRAISE AWARDS

Children who gained badges and certificates deserve our special congratulations:

W/C 22 November 2021

Key Stage One

RER HedgehogsIylahRR FoxesAlfie1/2B SquirrelsOliver1/2D MolesHarry C2W BadgersKaitlyn

Key Stage Two

3/4D ElderOlivia3/4H OakJesse-Dylan4LR ChestnutJessica5/6GS BeechLewis5/6T HollyRiley M6AB RowanHenry

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 29th November (Week 1) <u>Monday</u> Chicken curry Fishless fish fingers

Savoury rice, peas and sweetcorn

Chocolate Sponge

<u>Tuesday</u>

Pork or Quorn sausage and onion gravy Homemade cheese plait Cod bites Mashed potato, baked beans and broccoli

Shortbread

Wednesday

Roast beef and Yorkshire pudding Quorn mince and pasta bake Fish goujons Boiled, roast potatoes, cauliflower and green beans

Sponge

<u>Thursday</u> Chicken tikka wrap Halal Chicken tikka wrap Vegan sausage Homemade fishcake Mashed potatoes, carrots and cabbage

Lemon drizzle cake

Friday

Salmon fish fingers Cheese and tomato pizza/ vegan option available Chipped potatoes, baked beans and sweetcorn

Jelly 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.

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 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.

Key Stage 2 News

We have seen some truly wonderful work this week. The children in Year 3/4 have been getting to grips with formal methods of multiplication and division. Whereas our children in Year 5/6 have been thinking about number facts and fractions. A big well done for all of the hard work we have seen on these tricky areas of maths.

We've had some chilly fingers and toes this week, and the weather is meant to get colder! Please send your child to school with a labelled warm coat, hat, scarf and gloves

Weekly Maths Problem

Dad gives you money every day to put in your piggy bank. He gives it in such a way that the money in the piggy bank doubles every day.

If you start off with 1p, the next you get 2p, then 4p etc. Your piggy bank gets full on the 16th day.

On which day will your piggy bank be half full?

