

# NEWSLETTER

30 September 2022

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**Article 28**

Every child has the  
right to an education

## Dear Parents, Carers and Friends

**School meals menu change. Pizza will be served on Thursday 6th October not on its usual Friday.**

As well as the newsletter, please check out our official Facebook page for regular school updates. If you have any questions about your child, or if we can help you in anyway, please do not hesitate to contact us. The best way to contact your child's class teacher or a member of the Senior Leadership Team is by using the class email account. This account is monitored by class teachers and the Assistant Headteacher for that phase of the school. Help us to help you, and your child, by contacting us via this method. Can we also respectfully request that you avoid sharing private matters on unofficial social media groups.

This week, a few of our older children have arrived a little late to school. Children in Key stage 2 are expected to arrive from 8:40, so that they are in school by 8:50. Please could you support us by making sure that your child is leaving in the morning with plenty of time to get to school.

**No cars are allowed to park on the staff car park. Thanks.**

## Reminders

Please support the school policy by only sending your child to school with water in their water bottle.

## Photographs

Tempest will be in school on **Tuesday October 11th** to take the children's photographs. They will start at 8.15am for families with babies and toddlers in the KS2 Hall.

**New useful links on our website please view**

<https://www.hwfire.org.uk/assets/files/pandginfoleaflet2011.pdf>

## Harvest Collection

We will be collecting for the Black Country Foodbank. Please send donations to School between Mon 3rd and Fri 20th October. There is a list of suggested items on the back of the newsletter.



## Macmillan Coffee Morning

Thanks to all who donated cakes and those who came to our coffee morning. The amount raised will be reported in next weeks newsletter

## School Dates

### 2022 Autumn Term

Fri 30th September Macmillan coffee morning 9.00am KS1 Hall  
Tues 11th October School photographs  
Tues 18th October Parents evening  
Wed 19th October Parents evening  
Fri 21st October INSET School Closed  
Half Term Mon 24th October to Fri 28th October  
Mon 31st Oct -Wed 2nd Nov Year 6 Pioneer trip  
Wed 16th Nov Fluex vaccinations  
Wed 14th Dec KS2 Carol concert at Holy Trinity Wordsley 6.00pm  
Term Ends Fri 16th Dec

### 2023 Spring Term

Term starts: Tues 3rd January Inset Day  
Wed 4th January Children return to school  
Half Term Mon 20th to Fri 24th Feb  
Term Ends Thu 30 March  
Fri 31st March INSET day school closed

## 2023 Summer Term

Term starts: Mon 17th April  
Mon 1st May May Day Bank Holiday  
Thu 4th May Local elections school closed  
Fri 5th May INSET school closed  
Half Term Mon 29th May to Fri 2nd June  
Term Ends Tues 25th July

## PRAISE AWARDS

Children who gained badges and certificates in Praise assembly deserve our special congratulations:

**W/C 19 September 2022**

### Key Stage One

RR Foxes	Coriee-Jhay
RT Hedgehogs	Damien
1/2B Squirrels	Lydia
1/2D Moles	Bourne
2W Badgers	Reece

### Key Stage Two

3/4B Elder	Darcie
3/4R Oak	Sam
4D Chestnut	Oliver
5E Beech	Elliot
5/6H Holly	Jayden
6RB Rowan	Riley M

**WELL DONE ALL !**

## House Captains

Congratulations to the following Year 6 children who have been elected as house captains:

<b>Fire</b>	Jack and Martha
<b>Air</b>	Lewis and Chloe
<b>Earth</b>	Amelia T and Alfie
<b>Water</b>	Megan and Riley M

## Class PE Afternoons

**12th Sept to 21st Oct**  
RR Tuesday  
RT Monday  
1/2B Thursday  
1/2D Friday  
2W Thursday

3/4B Tuesday and Friday  
3/4R Tuesday and Friday  
4D Tuesday and Friday  
5E Monday swimming  
5/6H Monday and Wednesday  
6RB Monday and Wednesday

Please can you ensure that children have their PE kit or for 5E their swimming kit in school on the correct days.

Children will need any earrings that they cannot take out themselves taken out before coming to school. Long hair should be tied back and children should not wear jewellery. These also apply to afterschool sports clubs.

Thank you for your support in this.

Please can you notify the office if you are not receiving text messages from school and we can check we have the correct number.

### School Lunches 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

#### Monday

Cheese and tomato pinwheel  
Battered fish  
Herby diced potatoes, spaghetti hoops in tomato sauce, mixed vegetables

Fruit cheesecake

#### Tuesday

Spaghetti bolognese & garlic bread  
Vegetable fingers  
Fish finger  
Creamed potatoes, sweetcorn & peas

Chocolate crunch & mint custard

#### Wednesday

Traditional roast chicken  
Halal chicken  
Vegetarian meatballs with pasta in tomato sauce  
Fish goujons  
Roast & boiled potatoes, broccoli & mixed veg

Apple shortbread & custard

#### Thursday

Cheese and tomato pizza  
Battered fish  
Chipped potatoes, baked beans & peas

#### Strawberry mousse

#### Friday

Mediterranean chicken wrap  
Halal Mediterranean chicken wrap  
Cheese & potato pie  
Fish bites  
Potato wedges, baked beans, sweetcorn & coleslaw

Pineapple upside down cake & custard

#### 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 child is in Year 1, 2 and Reception.

### Early Years News

In Reception, PE went well this week, the children enjoyed it and are practising getting dressed independently. Please continue to encourage these skills at home. The children have been learning to blend in phonics and are trying hard to put together the sounds learned to make words. The children all have phonic reading books to practising reading at home with you. We have sent home our reading challenge this week, which is 15 super books for you to read at home with your child throughout the school year. On completion the children receive a prize badge!

In Nursery the children are settling well into pre school. They have been learning about Autumn this week and have enjoyed exploring the Autumn table!

### RBD News

The BSL clubs have started well this week and it was lovely to see so many children enjoying learning sign language. We look forward to seeing them again next week.

A gentle reminder for parents of children with cochlear implants – please remember to change their microphone covers every three months. Unfortunately we do not have spares in school to do this but old microphone covers can make a difference to your child in class. Thank you!

Sign of the week: Grandparents

There is a film clip on the Ashwood RBD YouTube channel about

'Grandparent's Day'. To watch please follow the link below: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=nCbhbM7bR8Y>



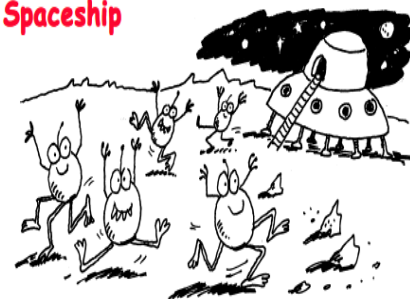
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### Maths Problem

#### Spaceship



Some Tripods and Bipods flew from planet Zeno. There were at least two of each of them.

Tripods have 3 legs.  
Bipods have 2 legs.  
There were 23 legs altogether.

How many Tripods were there?  
How many Bipods?

Find two different answers.



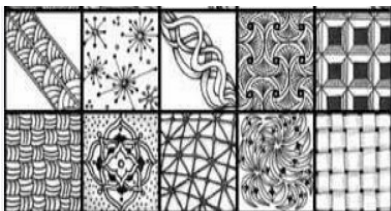
## Key Stage 1

This week in Key Stage 1 the children have been making pictures using rubbings from different textures around school. They have created their own animal picture using the 'frottage' technique. We have also been learning about homes around the world and how they are similar and different to our own. Most classes have also voted for their school councillors and the children made excellent speeches to try and be the chosen candidate! Next week we will be writing our own stories based on the Squirrels that Squabbled.

## Key Stage 2 News

The children in years 3 and 4 have had some very exciting art lessons this week. They have been enjoying making patterns in clay and using them to print their own designs. They look wonderful.

In years 5 and 6, the children have been learning about Zentangle designs and how they can be used as a calming strategy. The children have looked at some designs and also made up some great ones of their own. You could try it for yourself at home. Here are some ideas.



This week we have also elected our House Captains and School Council Representatives. Thank you to all of the children who put themselves forward. It is not always easy to do and we are very proud of you for being so brave. Huge congratulations to those who have been elected. We know you will do a brilliant job!

## Starting Secondary School in September 2023

Why not apply for a place online? If your child is due to start secondary school in 2023 then you will have to apply for a school place before 31 October 2022.

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 2022 until the closing date for applications on **31 OCTOBER 2022**

## Tree Tots



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
  - ◆ 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.
  - ◆ From 27th September 2022
- 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

## Harvest Collection

We will be collecting for the Black Country Food Bank again this year. Please send donations in to school from Monday 3rd October to Thursday 20th 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/Package 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.)