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Article 28 Every child has the right to an education

Dear Parents, Carers and Friends

Janice Hand

Janice, our lovely cleaner has been with us since 1992! She has retired today and we wish her a very happy and healthy retirement! Thank you Janice!

Margaret Hartland

It is with great sadness that we learned of Margaret's passing on November 5th. Margaret worked for many years in the resource base for the deaf, supporting class teachers and children with her enthusiastic and caring personality shining through. God Bless Margaret and RIP.

Margaret's funeral is at St Marys on 30th November at 12.45.

Reminder the speed limit on school premises is 5MPH.

No cars are allowed to park on the Staff Car Park. Staff only.

Please only park in a marked bay either along the school drive or by KS1.

Unfortunately unless these requests are adhered to, it will be necessary to limit access to only those parents/carers with blue badges. This is for the health and safety of all our children.

Diarrhoea and Sickness

Can we remind parents that we follow the local authority guidance and request that children are not sent back into school until 48 hours after the last bout of sickness/ diarrhoea. We are aware that this is inconvenient in many cases, and you may not believe your child is ill, but you will appreciate that we do this in all cases and it should reduce the risk of infection for all children in school. As an example, if your child is sick at lunchtime on a Tuesday, they should not return to school until the Friday morning, provided there have not been any further episodes of vomiting or diarrhoea.

Children in Need Friday 18th November

Thank you to everyone who has supported Children in Need we will post the total collected in next weeks newsletter.



Christmas Jumper Day Friday 16th December

We will be supporting "Save the Children" this Christmas and invite the children to wear something Christmassy in return for a donation to this very worthwhile charity. Uniform not required.

HSA Christmas Fayre

The HSA are appealing for outgrown Christmas jumpers with a view to having a stall at the Christmas Fayre to recycle them. Please bring the jumpers to the school office. Thanks for your support.

Fluenz Vaccinations

We are waiting to hear of a date for a catch-up session for those who were away, had not had the consent form completed or were missed on the day. More details soon.

School Dates 2022 Autumn Term

Fri 2nd Dec HSA Christmas Fayre 3.30 pm

Tues 6th Dec 9.30am KS1 Christmas performance

Tues 6th 2.15pm Nursery pm and Reception Christmas performance Wed 7th 9.30am Nursery am and Reception Christmas performance Wed 7th Dec 6.00pm KS1 Christmas performance

Wed 14th Dec Christmas lunch day. Wed 14th Dec KS2 Carol concert at Holy Trinity Wordsley 6.00pm Term Ends Fri 16th Dec Christmas Jumper Day

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 Mon 8th May Bank holiday 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 7 November 2022 Key Stage One

RR Foxes Carter
RT Hedgehogs Aaron-James
1/2B Squirrels Olivia
1/2D Moles Lewis
2W Badgers Ellie-Mae

Key Stage Two

3/4B Elder Clarrissa
3/4R Oak Teddy
4D Chestnut Joshua
5E Beech Finnley
5/6H Holly Bradley
6RB Rowan Toby

WELL DONE ALL!

Calling Ashwood Scientists!

Can you use your reasoning and observation skills to work out what we have zoomed in on?



Mrs Bunn will reveal the answer in our next newsletter!

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.

Menu WC 21 November (Week 1)

Monday

Tuna pasta bake Veggie sausage roll Battered fish Creamed potatoes & sweetcorn

Fruity flapjack & custard

<u>Tuesday</u>

BBQ Chicken Wrap Halal BBQ chicken wrap Veggie Fish Finger Fish Finger Potato wedges, carrots & peas

Lemon drizzle cake & custard

Wednesday

Traditional Roast Chicken seasoning & gravy Halal chicken Quorn Chicken Fillet Fish Goujons Boiled, roast potatoes, peas & carrots, green beans

Chocolate surprise cake & chocolate sauce

Thursday

Chicken Curry Rice & Naan Bread Crispy Quorn Nuggets Fish Bites Sauté potatoes, broccoli & carrots

Apple Crumble & custard

<u>Friday</u>

Fish Cake Cheese & Tomato Pizza Chipped potatoes, Baked beans & sweetcorn

Orange Iced Sponge

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 child is in Year 1,2 and Reception.

Maths Challenge

Queen Esmerelda's coins



- The first pile had four more coins than the second.
- The second pile had one less coin than the third.
- The fourth pile had twice as many coins as the second.

How many gold coins did Esmerelda put in each pile?

KS1 News

This week in Key Stage 1 the children have really enjoyed working on our clay tile creations in Art! Mrs Dhaliwal's and Mrs Brown's classes have also been doing a super Science investigation recording the weather, wind direction and rainfall. Perhaps we will have some future meteorologists! We have also started our Christmas show rehearsals ready for when we welcome parents to come and see our amazing singing and dancing. Ticket letters were handed out this week so be sure to keep yours safe!

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.

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

BOOKINGS

Due to safeguarding requirements all bookings must be made at least a week in advance via School Money.

Starting Primary School in September 2023

Why not apply for a place online? If your child was born between 1 Sept 2018 and 31 Aug 2019 they will be due to start primary school in September 2023.

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 2023. 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 2022** until the closing date for applications on **15 JANUARY 2023**

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

Brrrrr it's getting cold. Please can you make sure that the children come to school in a warm coat and have a hat, scarf and gloves if needed. Please can you label all of the items they bring.

It was great to see all of the children in their odd socks on Monday to show their support for anti-bullying week. The children have participated in a range of activities to support this year's theme of 'reach out'. If you would like more information please visit https://anti-type-the-number 2.5

bullyingalliance.org.uk/anti-bullyingweek/anti-bullying-week-2022-reachout

The children in years 5 and 6 are finishing their work on Space now, but they have been asked to keep a moon diary for the next month. Can you please help the children to complete these so that we can discuss them when we receive them back into school. It is an important part of our science curriculum that they make observations over time and it is great for the children to actually see the changes of the moon.

In years 3 and 4, the children have been enjoying watching a short animation about the Wishmaker machine. In their English work, they have been thinking about writing explanations for how the machine works. It would be great if you could look at some of the machines you have at home and discuss how they work, encouraging the children to using language for sequencing and cause and effect.

TTRS leaders in 3/4 1st - Yuvraj Mattu 2nd - Scarlett Pitt 3rd - Harvir Saini



Dates

Library visits for KS2

21.11.22 - 3/4R

24.11.22 - 4D

25.11.22 - 3/4B

28.11.22 - 5E

29.11.22 - 6RB

2.12.22 - 5/6H

14.12.22 - KS2 Carol concert. 6pm at Wordsley Holy Trinity Church

Early Years

The early years children have been working really hard this week practising their Christmas play! We are very proud of them. Please practise your child's speaking part if they have one so they know it off by heart! Thank you for your support. The Reception children really enjoyed the story Owl Babies this week and learned lots of owl facts and drawn some beautiful pictures. Nursery have been learning nursery rhymes this week for their Nursery rhyme challenge, they did a super performance to Reception on Friday! Did you know; 'If a child knows 8 nursery rhymes by heart by the time they are 4 years old, they are usually among the best readers and spellers in their class by the time they are 8'. (Fox, M. (2001). Reading Magic. San Diego, CA: Harcourt.)

Tree Tots

The toddlers decorated some lovely pottery this week when we were visited by Saz's Ceramics from The Glass Cone. Next week we are having our Forest School session. There will be some Christmas themed crafts, snacks, a story and lots of time to play in the forest. Meet in Key Stage 1 hall at 9 a.m.

RBD News

What another busy week we have had! The children have started to learn their songs for their Christmas shows and are very excited about it! If your child is in Key Stage 2 (Years 3-6) please can you let your child's Teacher of the Deaf know whether you are coming to the church performance on Wednesday 14th December. Thank you to those of you who have already done so.

I have also spoken to Dudley transport about the reoccurring issues with taxis picking the children up late from school in the afternoon. Hopefully this is now resolved and your child should be returning home on time. Thank you to parents for your patience with this.

Sign of the week: **Anti Bullying**

There is a film clip on the Ashwood RBD YouTube channel about 'Anti bullying.' To watch please follow the link below: https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=5DIYxaSp3tQ





anti bullying