



Save the Children
**CHRISTMAS
JUMPER DAY**



NEWSLETTER

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right to an education

Dear Parents, Carers and Friends

HSA Christmas Fayre

Don't forget our Christmas Fayre after school today. Come and see Santa also stalls and refreshments. Thank you to the HSA for organising this event.

Ashwood Park Christmas Trees

Treetots have provided a Christmas Tree for The Glass Cone. The display is open until 6th Jan. 10.00 to 15.00 Mon to Fri 11.00-16.00 weekends. The Cone is closed 23rd Dec to 3rd Jan.

We also have a tree at the Holy Trinity Wordsley Community Christmas Tree Festival more details on page 4.

Cars

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.

Scarlet Fever/Strep A bacteria infection.

Scarlet fever or Strep A is a highly contagious bacterial infection that can be extremely serious - although it is treatable with antibiotics.

In England and Wales it's a notifiable disease meaning health professionals must inform local health protection teams of suspected cases so they can be treated quickly and possible outbreaks brought under control. Spread in coughs and sneezes, cases occur most often in the winter. Symptoms include a rash, a sore throat, flushed cheeks and swollen tongue- known as 'strawberry tongue' because of its appearance.

If you think you, or your child, have scarlet fever, do seek medical help as soon as possible.

Early treatment with antibiotics is important as it helps reduce the risk of complications and the spread of the infection to others.

We have three cases in our Reception year and a possible case in Nursery
Thanks.

Fluenz Vaccinations

The contact number, if you wish to book a fluenz vaccination for your child if they have missed it at school, is 01384 431712

PRAISE AWARDS

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

W/C 21 November 2022

Key Stage One

RR Foxes	Emily
RT Hedgehogs	Tahmym
1/2B Squirrels	Carter-George
1/2D Moles	Jaxon
2W Badgers	James

Key Stage Two

3/4B Elder	Erica
3/4R Oak	Oliver
4D Chestnut	Madison
5E Beech	Mary
5/6H Holly	Jack
6RB Rowan	Madison

WELL DONE ALL !

Asthma

If your child uses an inhaler and you haven't informed school, please could you complete an Asthma care plan. Forms are available from the school office

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



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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.

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

Calling Ashwood Scientists!

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. Please contact the school office if you are having any issues with the booking process.**

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.

Menu

WC 5 December (Week 3)

Monday

Fish fingers
Quorn & sweet potato curry with naan bread
Potato wedges, boiled rice, sweetcorn, peas
Carrot cake & custard

Tuesday

Homemade meat & vegetable pie
Mac & cheese
Battered fish
Creamed potatoes, broccoli & mixed veg
Sticky toffee pudding & custard

Wednesday

Traditional roast chicken
Halal chicken
Quorn fillet
Fish goujons
Baby boiled potatoes, carrots & peas
Apple sponge & custard

Thursday

All day brunch
Tomato pasta bake
Fish bites
Hash brown potatoes, baked beans, & country veg
Chocolate cracknel

Friday

Cheese and tomato pizza
Salmon bites
Chipped potatoes, spaghetti hoops & sweetcorn
Fruit salad & 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

Christmas Lunch

Wednesday 14th December

Please book your child lunch on the school money site as early as possible so the kitchen know how many to cater for.

Thanks for your support in this.

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.

No last minute bookings will be accepted except in a dire emergency.

Please book early as places are limited and it is extremely popular.

KS1 News

This week in Key Stage 1 we have done our first dress rehearsal! The children were every excited and are looking forward to performing for you all next week. We have also started looking at different types of poetry in English and the children have started to create their own acrostic poem about a favourite animal. We will be looking at more poetry next week and learning how to write a list poem. All of the classes have been on their local area walk now, the children were very well behaved and set a super example!

Key Stage 2 News

Yippee!! We have finally had some dry weather and have been able to take our classes to the library. We had a lovely time visiting. We talked about the other different resources that are available at the library and also how the library is organised, using the Dewey decimal system. The children really enjoyed looking at all of the books and checking some of them out to read at home. Please be advised that if your child did take out a book, they will be due back towards the end of December.

Years 3 and 4 have had some more exciting Art lessons and have been sculpting using bars of soap. They look amazing! Years 5 and 6 have also had some interesting art lessons this week, appraising Picasso's Guernica painting and creating an example of their own about a different theme.

We are all very excited about our upcoming Carol Concert and have spent a lot of time rehearsing. We look forward to seeing you at the church on Wednesday 14th December at 6pm. You will receive a letter detailing the arrangements, please look out for it!

3/4 TTRS

1st - Scarlett P

2nd - Yuvraj M

3rd - Evie J



SATS

Due to the additional Bank Holiday on 8th May 2023, the government have had to change the dates of the KS2 SATs. We have received notification of a revised schedule for the tests.

Tuesday 9 May: English grammar, punctuation and spelling (GPS) papers 1 (questions) and 2 (spelling)
Wednesday 10 May: English reading paper

Thursday 11 May: mathematics papers 1 (arithmetic) and 2 (reasoning)

Friday 12 May: mathematics paper 3 (reasoning)

Early Years

Early Years have been very busy this week practising their Christmas play 'We're Going On A Baby Hunt.' It is based on one of our favourite stories 'We're going on a Bear Hunt.' The children have done brilliantly learning the songs and words and we look forward to performing it next week to our grown-ups on Tuesday afternoon and Wednesday morning. You must bring your ticket to the performance as numbers are limited due to hall fire restrictions. Thank you for all your support with learning lines and providing costumes.

RBD News

Thank you to all parents for signing and returning risk assessments for trips. Key Stage 2 have been walking to the library and have really enjoyed their time there. We have quite a few children and RBD staff who have not been well this week – we hope that you all get better soon! As the weather gets colder please ensure the children come in with appropriate clothing for play times – hats and gloves are definitely a good idea! Thank you!

Sign of the week: **Winter**

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

'Winter .' To watch please follow the link below:



Maths Challenge

Treasure hunt

Jed and Jake are pirates.
Between them they have three precious jewels:
a ruby (R), a diamond (D) and an emerald (E).



Complete the table.

Show what jewels each pirate could have.

Jed	(R)								
Jake	(D)								

Holy Trinity Wordsley

Christmas Services

Christmas Tree Festival

Friday 2nd to Sunday 4th December

Christmas Fayre

Saturday 3rd December 10am-2pm

Sunday Afternoon Organ Music

Sunday 4th December, 3.00pm

Thursday 15th December, 7.00pm

Carols at The Lawnswood Pub

Holy Trinity Carol Service

Sunday 18th December, 6.30pm

Crib Service-Christmas Eve 4.00pm

First Holy Communion of Christmas

(Midnight Mass) 11.30pm

Holy Communion - Christmas Morning

9.30am at Holy Trinity

Wordsley Choral Society Performance

Saturday 14th January, 7.00pm

Christingle Service

Sunday 30th January, 3.00pm



COME AND SEE THE TREES AT THE COMMUNITY CHRISTMAS TREE FESTIVAL

At Holy Trinity Church,
High Street, Wordsley

Friday 2nd December
12 noon until 4.p.m.

Saturday 3rd December
10:00 a.m. until 5 p.m.

Sunday 4th December
11:00 a.m. until 2.30 p.m.

Sunday Afternoon Organ Recital
3:00 p.m. until 3.45 approx.

Christmas Tree Festival Opens again
4:00 p.m. until 6:00 p.m.

Please visit our Christmas Fayre
Saturday 3rd December
10:00 a.m. until 2:00 p.m.
In the Church Hall