

Dear Parents, Carers and Friends

Today we had a visit from Severn Trent Water who delivered a whole School assembly on the importance of hydration and the impact of plastic pollution.

Look out for the photos on our School Facebook page.

Pizza

Pizza will be served on Thursday 19th January. The menu is correct on School Money.

Praise Assembly

Please note that Praise Assembly will now be taking place on a Monday each week.

Cars

We are reviewing our on site safety procedures. Please contact the office by Friday 20th January to renew your permission to park within the school grounds if you have previously been allowed to.

Reminder the speed limit on school premises is 5MPH.

Visitors cars are not 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.

School Nurse Drop-in

The School Nurse will be offering a drop-in session for parents to discuss any concerns they may have about their children on Tuesday 24th January from 2.30pm.

Attendance

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

School Dates

2023 Spring Term 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:

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Key Stage One Millie

Jake

Roxy

Nancy

Emily

Bella

RR Foxes **RR** Foxes **RT Hedgehogs** 1/2B Squirrels 1/2D Moles 2W Badgers

Key Stage Two	
3/4B Elder	Bentley-Shay
3/4R Oak	Dylan
4D Chestnut	Scarlett P
5E Beech	Ayesha
5E Beech	Matteo
5/6H Holly	Cole
6RB Rowan	Lauren

WELL DONE ALL !

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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 16th January (Week 3)

<u>Monday</u>

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 Fish fingers 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

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

Fruit & ice cream

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

Chocolate cracknel

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

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RBD News

We are so proud of the children this week... they are settling back into learning well! Well done to those children who are reading at home it is making a huge difference to the progress you are making. Please can we ask all parents to read with children as much as they can. Thank you.

British Deaf Association: Just a reminder that the BDA are involved with Signature to consider establishing a GCSE in British Sign Language. They are asking for people to complete a survey on their views about this to support the process. Please click on the link and complete the survey if you can.... https:// cypteam.typeform.com/to/ **dBlrgAQN**

Sign of the week: book - our BSL video this week is about Lewis Carroll. Please follow

the link: https:// www.youtube.com/ watch?v=DUX0XLpi4<u>o</u>



Early Years

The children have loved learning about Winter this week - they have made snow, ice and learned about polar regions. Next week Reception will learn about Chinese new year and Nursery will begin learning about the Gruffalo story - one of our favourites in Early Years!

Reception now do PE on Mondays; please can you ensure earrings are taken out on this day.

We have been recapping our sounds and tricky words in Reception phonics practising reading and writing with them, please keep this up at home too, especially the digraphs and trigraphs (double and triple sounds). Thank you for all your support.

Tree Tots

Tree Tots toddler group has started up again in the Key Stage 1 hall on Tuesdays 9 - 11a.m. for up to 3 year olds. We hope to see you there with your baby or toddler.

KS1 News

This week in Key Stage one we have been making our own Art in the style of Clarice Cliff. The children used the same colours and techniques to decorate their own plates. They were very colourful and next week we will be adding our trees to them. We have also started our new topics! In History we are finding all about explorers and focusing on Christopher Columbus. We already know the name of his three ships and where he went on his first expedition. In Geography we have been learning about the seven continents and next week we will be finding out about the Oceans of the world!

Key Stage 2 News

This week, the children in Years 5 and 6 have been using a short video in English called 'Oktopodi'. The children have really enjoyed the story and have done some amazing work on trying to understand the characters' feelings. Maybe they could make a storyboard for you at home to tell you about the video. In Years 3 and 4, 3/4B have started their ukulele lessons and have tried really hard to learn new skills. All of the children have been enjoying their Science lessons, learning about forces and magnets. As part of our science work, we have all also enjoyed a focus assembly from Severn Trent. We have a number of other exciting science assemblies coming up throughout the year.

3/4 TTRS 1st - Scarlett P 2nd - Karoline P 3rd - Jacob W



Maths Challenge

Kieron's cats

Kieron has three cats. Each is a different weight.

The first and second weigh 7 kg altogether. The second and third weigh 8 kg altogether. The first and third weigh 11kg altogether.

What is the weight of each cat?

