



NEWSLETTER



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Article 28
Every child has the
right to an education

Dear Parents, Carers and Friends

Can we remind parents using OSCA that they are responsible for handing their child over to a member of OSCA Staff in the morning, please do not let your child enter OSCA unescorted. Children will only be handed over to a named adult after OSCA in the evening.



On Friday 15 December we will be supporting "Save the Children" and invite the children to wear a Christmas Jumper in return for a donation to this very worthwhile charity. Please can they wear their uniform with their Jumper.

Christmas Dinner



Our School Christmas Dinner is on Wednesday 20th December, please book by 13th December so our amazing Cook can order sufficient supplies.

Additional INSET Day

Children break up from school on **Thursday 21st December @ 3.15pm.** Friday 22nd December is an INSET day.



Praise Awards

Children who gained badges and certificates in Praise assembly deserve our special congratulations:
W/C 04.12.23

Key Stage One

RR Foxes Seb S
RT Hedgehogs Oscar J
1/2B Squirrels Damian G
1/2D Moles Mihah N
2W Badgers Lewis J

Key Stage Two

3/4H Elder James M
3/4R Oak Lexi R
4D Chestnut Dylan N
5E Beech Harry J
5/6SB Holly Finnley P
6RB Rowan Mattu M

Tree Tots Toddler Group Wednesday 9.00 - 11.00am

Tre Tots Toddlers first session of the New Year will be **10th January.**

Dudley Holiday Activities

You're eligible to register for the holiday activities programme (HAF) if the following applies: You live in Dudley or your child goes to school in Dudley Borough, your child is aged between 5 and 16 years and your child is eligible for benefits related free school meals (FSM).



<https://www.dudleyholidayactivities.org.uk/>

VACANCY: We are looking to appoint a temporary Lunchtime Supervisor. If you are interested in applying or would like more details please see Mr Butler or Mrs Lister.

WOW - Walk to School Challenge



WOW is a pupil-led initiative where children self-report how they get to school every day using the interactive WOW Travel Tracker. If they travel sustainably (walk, cycle or scooter) once a week for a month, they get rewarded with a badge.

There are 9 badges for your child to collect.



TT Rockstars

This weeks Rockstars are;

1st Freya P
2nd Dylan N
3rd Finlay B



Well done to everyone.



Menu

WC **11.12.23** (Week 3)

Monday

Fish fingers
Vegetarian Meatballs in tomato sauce
Potato wedges, pasta, sweetcorn & peas
Iced sprinkle sponge.

Tuesday

Sausage & Gravy
Vegetable Fingers
Salmon Bites
Mashed potatoes, broccoli & mixed vegetables.
Melting moments & custard.

Wednesday

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

Thursday

All day brunch
Veggie all day brunch
Cod bites
Hash browns, baked beans & country vegetables.
Marble cake & custard.

Friday

Cheese and tomato pizza
Battered fish
Chipped potatoes, spaghetti hoops & sweetcorn.
Fruit & 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

All dinners must be booked through School Money the day before they are needed. Please contact the school office if you are having any issues.

EYFS News

Thank you for all your wonderful costumes! If you haven't brought it in yet, it is our dress rehearsal on Monday so please bring in asap.

We hope you are all looking forward to the performances next week. Tickets have come home so please bring them along so we can ensure hall numbers are ok.

Finally, please bring in trip money for our visit to the Glass Cone if you haven't already. Thank you.

KS1 News

This week in Key Stage 1 we have been rehearsing the Christmas show. The children are really excited to show you their dances and songs next week! Thank you for all of the costumes you have sent in so far the children will look amazing! We have also been working on our own comic strips of the story Caterpillar Shoes. They created a beautiful and colourful version of the story. Next week we are looking forward to performing to parents and showing off our dancing skills. We can't wait to see you!

Please can we ask that children do not wear earrings on PE and Sports Club days.

Christmas Performances:

Tues 12th December 9.15am

Wed 13th December 2pm

RBD News

The children have been working so hard this week when rehearsing for their Christmas shows – they are fabulous! We really look forward to seeing you next week for the parent performances.



Well done!

Well done to **Sienna** this week for really impressing the RBD staff and Mr Dimmock with your attitude towards your work. We are so impressed with how you always want to challenge yourself.

Signed Video:

As we are moving into the season of 'Winter' we have created a video about what winter is like. To watch please follow the link below:

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=1pUIRAIv6rY>



As the weather gets colder please ensure the children come in with appropriate clothing for play times – coats, hats and gloves are definitely a good idea! **Thank you!**

KS2 News

There has been much excitement in Key Stage 2 this week as we have had our visit from the team at Prime VR. The children in years 5 and 6 have enjoyed a VR experience linked to their Geography work on California, whilst the children in years 3 and 4 have enjoyed the Stone Age workshop, linked to their work in History. All of the children enjoyed a fantastic experience and we are grateful to you for all of your donations.

Also, in years 5 and 6, the children have produced some amazing art work, using the chocolate and sweet wrappers that have been brought in to school, and in years 3 and 4, the children have been working on making stone walls, using seeds and lentils, so that they can continue their art work on cave paintings.

We have all had a fantastic week! Our rehearsals for our Carol Concert are also coming along nicely and we are looking forward to performing to all of you next week.

Please remember to send a water bottle to School with your child, especially if they are doing PE or Sports Clubs.

REMINDER: KS2 Carol Concert, Wordsley Holy Trinity Church, Wednesday 13th December at 6pm (children to arrive between 5:30 and 5:40).

Dates for the Diary

Wednesday 13th December

Carol Concert

Holy Trinity Church 6pm

Friday 15th December

Christmas Jumper Day

Wednesday 20th December

Christmas Dinner and Party Day

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Thursday 21st December

Toy Day, Break up at 3.15pm

Tuesday 9th January

School re-opens at 8.45am

Wednesday 10th January

Tree Tots Toddlers at 9am

2023-2024 INSET Days*

Monday 4th September 2023

Friday 22nd December 2023

Monday 8th January 2024

Thursday 2nd May 2024 (VOTING)

Friday 3rd May 2024

Monday 22nd July 2024

*Please note these are provisional.

EYFS Dates

Thurs 14th Dec - Reception and Nursery Christmas Play - 2pm

Fri 15th Dec Reception and Nursery Christmas play - 9.15am

Zids and Zods



Zids have 4 spots.
Zods have 9 spots.

Altogether some Zids and Zods have 48 spots.
How many Zids are there?
How many Zods?

What if Zids have 5 spots, Zods have 7 spots,
and there are 140 spots altogether?
Find as many solutions as you can.

As the weather gets colder please ensure the children come in with appropriate clothing for play times – coats, hats and gloves are definitely a good idea! **Thank you!**

PE and Swimming

3/4R, 3/4H and 4D - Tuesday and Friday

6RB and 5/6SB - Monday and Wednesday

5/6E - Monday (swimming) and Wednesday (PE)

Children in 3/4 can come to school in their PE uniform on Tuesdays

Children in 5/6 can come to school in their PE uniform on Wednesdays.