



Dear Parents, Carers and Friends

Happy New Year to you all, we hope you all had a happy and healthy break. Thank you so much for all the presents you sent in for staff, it is very much appreciated.



We welcomed Snow White to School this week with our annual pantomime production by M&M Productions. The children had a fantastic time and behaved brilliantly.

Christmas Jumper Day

Thank you for your support on Christmas Jumper Day, the children looked fantastically festive in their jumpers. We raised £64.55 for the "Save the Children" charity.

Christmas Disco

We hope all the children enjoyed the Christmas Disco last term. Thank you so much to our hardworking Home and School Association and staff for making this event happen. We raised over £1000.00 which will be spent on extra resources for School.

School Census Day Thursday 18 January

The School Census is a statutory requirement for all state-funded schools (that are not stand-alone early years or Post-16 providers) in England to complete and submit three times a year. The DfE uses this data to build national statistics, and it also contributes towards establishing your schools' funding allocations. Schools funding from the government for school meals is dependent on the number of meals ordered on this day, so we are very keen for the maximum number of orders!



If you would be interested in becoming an "As and When" Lunchtime Supervisor, please see the Office for more details.

Menu WC 15.01.24 (Week 2)

Monday

Salmon Bites
Vegan Sausage Roll
Herby diced potatoes, Spaghetti hoops & mixed veg
Iced sprinkle sponge

Tuesday

Spaghetti Bolognese
Macaroni Cheese
Battered fish
Saute potatoes, sweetcorn & peas
Fruit muffin & custard

Wednesday

Traditional roast chicken
Halal chicken
Quorn chicken fillet
Fish goujons
Roast & boiled potatoes, broccoli & mixed veg
Shortcake biscuit & custard

Thursday

BBQ Chicken wrap
Halal BBQ chicken wrap
Cheese & onion lattice
Fish bites
Potato wedges, baked beans, sweetcorn & coleslaw.
Chocolate crunch & chocolate sauce

Friday

Cheese and tomato pizza
Fish finger
Chipped potatoes, baked beans & peas
Mousse & fruit

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.

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/>



School Admissions Reception September 2024

If your child was born between 01/09/2019 and 31/08/2020 you must apply for a place in Reception Year before the **15 January 2024**.

<https://www.dudley.gov.uk/residents/learning-and-school/school-information/school-admissions/>



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EYFS News

The children have all come back to school brilliantly, refreshed and ready for a new term! This term in Reception we will be learning about our home, our school and about a little girl who lives in a contrasting environment in Africa. Nursery will be learning about dinosaurs! We will also be learning about all the seasons and festivals that happen this term.

PE will continue on a Monday for both Reception classes so please send in PE kits for next week.

Forest School will be on a Friday, so please send in puddle suits/wellies and ensure children have warm coats, gloves and hats on cold days.

Thank you!

KS1 News

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

This week in Key Stage One we have been happy to welcome the children back into school. We have started the new year with our new topics- The Isles of Scilly in Geography and Mary Seacole in History. We are looking forward to finding out more about all of our new topics. The children have been keen to get their reading book changed and keep working towards their Reading Challenge badges.

Next week we will be continuing with our work in Art and taking part in sketching and printing.

Dates for the Diary

Monday 12th February

Half term week—School Closed

Monday 19th February

School re-opens at 8.45am

Friday 22nd March

Break up at 3.15pm for Easter

Monday 8th April

School re-opens at 8.45am

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.

RBD News

It has been lovely to welcome back the children after the Christmas break – it has been lovely to hear what they have been up to and how much they have enjoyed spending time with their families.

We would like to welcome Mr Thornton to our team!

Please see below the email addresses of the Teachers of the Deaf if you need to contact us:

Mrs Straw:

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Mrs Wilde

ehughes@ashwood.dudley.sch.uk

Mr Thornton

jthornton@ashwood.dudley.sch.uk



Well done to all the children for settling back into school so well!

Signed Video:

Our sign of the week is 'New Year'. Please follow the link on our Ashwood RBD YouTube channel to learn more about New Year.

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=yX4Isxry-xg>

Tree Tots Toddler Group Wednesday 9.00 - 11.00am

17.1.24 Toddlers as normal, KS1 hall

24.1.24 Toddlers as normal, KS1 hall

31.1.24 Forest School session

please dress for the weather!

07.2.24 Toddlers as normal, KS1 hall

14.2.24 Half term **NO TODDLERS**

21.2.24 Toddlers as normal, KS1 hall



Happy New Year!

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KS2 News

Happy New Year!

Welcome back to all of our families. It has been lovely this week to see all of our children return - fully charged and raring to go!

We were very lucky to watch a pantomime of Snow White this week and the children thoroughly enjoyed themselves.

This week, the children are all very excited to be starting their new History and Geography topics. We will be learning some very interesting units - Global Citizen, Ancient Greeks (both years 5 and 6), Greece and Ancient Egypt (both years 3 and 4).

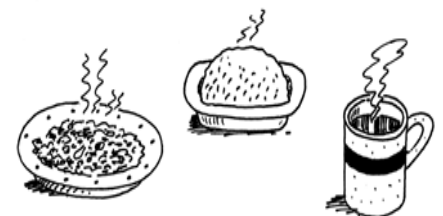
PE and Swimming in the New Year

This half term, **swimming will move to 5/6SB.**

The children will have the following PE days:

- Years 3 and 4 - Friday
- Years 5 and 6 - Monday (with 5/6SB bringing their swimming kit)
- Years 3 and 4 can come to school in their kit on **Tuesday only**
- Years 5 and 6 can come to school in their kit on **Wednesday only**

Franco's fast food



This is what food costs at Franco's café.

1 curry and 1 tea cost £4.

2 curries and 2 puddings cost £9.

1 pudding and 2 teas cost £2.

What do you have to pay in total for 1 curry, 1 pudding and 1 tea?

What does each item cost on its own?

Don't let your child catch it

– get them vaccinated with the MMR vaccine

Measles symptoms include: high fever; sore, red, watery eyes; coughing; aching and feeling generally unwell; a blotchy red brown rash, which usually appears after the initial symptoms.

The number of young people catching measles has risen. It's never too late to be vaccinated. You need two doses of MMR one month apart to be fully protected against measles, mumps and rubella.

It's time to make measles a disease of the past.

If you have symptoms of measles, stay at home and phone your GP or NHS 111 for advice. **STAY AWAY** from GP surgeries and A&E departments – you could spread the illness to others.