

9th May 2025

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**Article 28** Every child has the right to an education

## Messages from Mr Butler

**SATs** We would like to wish all of our Year 6 children the very best in their assessment tests next week. We look forward to welcoming them to our SATs breakfast club on Monday.

**Census Day** Please support us on Thursday's Census Day by booking a School dinner. This will help our Government funding in the future.

**Social Media** Please check you child's phone for appropriate usage on "What's App" and "Discord". We have been alerted to inappropriate use on these apps.

**Facebook** Do remember to take a look at the School's [Facebook](#) page.

**Keith Butler**

## Praise Assembly

Children who were awarded badges and certificates:

**7th May**

<b>RR Foxes</b>	<b>Rhea-Jae</b>
<b>RB Hedgehogs</b>	<b>lylah</b>
<b>1/2B Squirrels</b>	<b>Elliot</b>
<b>1.2D Moles</b>	<b>Brody</b>
<b>2W Badgers</b>	<b>Poppy</b>
<b>3/4R Elder</b>	<b>Felicity</b>
<b>3/4H Oak</b>	<b>Olivia</b>
<b>4D Chestnut</b>	<b>Ben</b>
<b>5P Beech</b>	<b>Leo</b>
<b>5/6B Holly</b>	<b>Olivia</b>
<b>6RB Rowan</b>	<b>Caleb</b>

**Congratulations!**



## Menu\*

WC **12.05.25** (Week 3)



### Monday

Katsu Chicken Steak  
Chicken Nuggets (H)  
Quorn Ball Sub (V)  
Rice or Diced Potatoes  
Blueberry Pudding

### Tuesday

Chicken Taco  
French Bread Pizza (V)  
Fish Fingers  
Potato Wedges  
Cookie Selection

### Wednesday

Roast Beef  
Roast Chicken (H)  
Veggie Sausage (V)  
Gravy and Yorkshire Pudding  
Fish Stars  
Mashed Potatoes  
Vanilla Iced Sponge

### Thursday

Beef Burger  
Quorn Fillet Burger (V)  
Curly Fries  
Baked Beans  
Peas and Sweetcorn  
School Cake

### Friday

Pizza Party (V)  
Battered Fish  
McCain Chips  
Fruity Friday

**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.**

**\* Subject to change**

## Year 6 SATs Timetable

Monday 12 <sup>th</sup> May	Tuesday 13 <sup>th</sup> May	Wednesday 14 <sup>th</sup> May	Thursday 15 <sup>th</sup> May
Punctuation and Grammar Test	Reading Test	Mathematics Paper 1 Arithmetic Test	Mathematics Paper 3 Reasoning Test
And Spelling Test		Mathematics Paper 2 Reasoning Test	

## Dates for the Diary

### Wednesday 21st May

Forge Farm Trip for Years 3 and 4

### Friday 23rd May

Break up for Half Term 3.15pm

### Monday 2nd June

Return to School 8.45 am

Health Week

### Tuesday 3rd June

Sports Day for Years 5 and 6

### Wednesday 4th June

AM Sports Day for Years 1 and 2

PM Sports Day for Years 3 and 4

### Thursday 5th June

AM Sports Day for Foxes and Nursery

PM Sports Day for Hedgehogs and Nursery

### PTA Sponsored Event

### Wednesday 18th June

Year 6 Children go to Pioneer

### Friday 20th June

Year 6 Children return from Pioneer

### Wednesday 2nd July

INSET Day

### Friday 18th July

Break up for Summer Holidays 3.15pm

## CENSUS DAY MENU

**15 MAY 2025**

**LOOK WHAT'S FOR LUNCH...**

Beef Burger  
or Quorn Fillet Burger (v)  
& Curly Fries

Served with a choice of...  
Tomato Ketchup, BBQ Sauce  
or Mayonnaise

Plus... Baked Beans  
or a Medley of Peas  
& Sweetcorn

Followed by...  
School Cake

School Census Day... is an important day. Choosing a favourite Shire Services meal helps boost much needed funding for your school!

SHIRE FRESH  
services | dining



Food Allergies & Intolerances - Before ordering, please speak to our staff about your requirements

## Lunches from Home

If you are sending your child with a packed lunch, can we ask that you cut grapes, cherry tomatoes and similar in half please. Also, as a **nut free** school please do not send in Nutella sandwiches or any other nut products. Please do NOT send drinks in cans or glass bottles.

## EYFS News

Next Thursday Miss Bate's class will walk to Wordsley Library, and Miss Reynolds' class will be going on the following Monday.



Please ensure your forms have been sent back to ensure your child can go.



Children will join the library if not a member already, and borrow a book for you to return at the end of the lend period.

## Tree Tots Toddler Group

**Wednesdays 9.00 -11.00am**

Mrs Manville and Miss Reynolds have lots of lovely activities planned. Toys, activities, songs, stories and crafts available. Refreshments included – adults please bring a lidded cup!

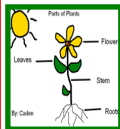
**14<sup>th</sup> May Forest School**

Toddlers will be at Forest School next Wednesday 14<sup>th</sup> May. We will head up there 9 - 10 a.m for forest crafts and then come back to the hall for snack, play and singing from 10 - 11a.m.



## RBDC News

We have had a great week in the RBDC this week and worked very hard!



In Acorn class we have been learning all about verbs and how we can use them in our writing. In Science, we have been labelling parts of a plant.

In Conkers we have been learning all about VE Day and how our lives are better because of the sacrifices of those who fought in the war. We created Union Jack flags, made a model spitfire and took part in a 2-minute silence to show respect.



**Well done!**

Our Star of the Week this week is William for trying hard to memorise all his times tables. William really enjoys challenging others to see who can answer a times table question the quickest. Well Done William!

**Next week is SATS Week for our Year 6's Good Luck!**

## Signed Video:

Our BSL Club's focus this week is 'Deaf Awareness'. Please see the video below to learn about how to sign. Please note the date in the video is incorrect as it is last year's video.



**Deaf Awareness**

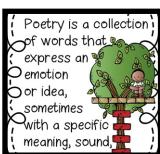
Deaf Awareness this year has been celebrated 5<sup>th</sup> May – 11<sup>th</sup> May this year.

## KS1 News



This week in Key Stage One we have finding out more about what you can see at the coast in Geography. The children have used atlases to look at the seas surrounding the UK and identified significant landmarks.

We have also spent time celebrating VE day and discussing how important it is to recognise that day in British history.



Next week we will be working on some poetry that has repeating patterns. The children will be performing poems and creating their own poetry.

## Hot and Sunny Weather Advice



Please can we ask that you apply sun lotion to your child BEFORE they come to school in the morning.

The children are welcome to bring their own, labelled lotions into School to re-apply at lunchtime. Due to allergies in school, children must not share these and must on apply THEIR OWN sun lotion.

Please also send your child to school with a sun hat and re-fillable water bottle. And please label all items with their name and class.

## KS2 News

Our children in years 3 and 4 have continued their work on newspaper reports. They have been writing their own versions, loosely based on the idea of the three little pigs. We can't wait to see their final reports at the end of the week.



Year 6 have been making final preparations for the National Curriculum tests next week. They have worked so hard and we are all so proud of their efforts.

**Year 6 - you can do this!!**



Year 5 have been working hard on their new Geography topic. They have been thinking about renewable energy. Next week, due to the SATs, our year 5 children will all be working in the hall for our morning sessions.

## SATS Week

If your child is attending SATs breakfast, please make sure they arrive at school at 8:10am. Do not send your child to School any earlier as we do not have the staff available to supervise them.

## PE Lessons

**Monday** - 3/4H and 4D PE kit needed. 3/4R swimming kit needed.

**Wednesday** - Year 5 and 6 can come to School in their PE kit

**Thursday** - Year 3 and 4 can come to School in their PE kit

**Friday** - 5P / 5/6B / 6RB PE kit needed.

## REMINDER

When the children come to school in their PE kit they must wear their yellow PE top, green shorts / black joggers and their green Ashwood Park jumper or cardigan.

Hoodies and gilets are **not** permitted. Please support us to ensure that all of our children are in the correct uniform and feel part of our Ashwood Park team.

## Math's Problem

### Stamps

Tilly's parcel cost 55p to post.

She stuck on eight stamps. Each stamp was either 10p or 5p.



How many of each stamp did Tilly stick on her parcel?

Make up your own puzzle like this. Ask a friend to do it.

## TT Rockstars

This weeks Rockstars are;

**1st** Finlay 4D  
**2nd** Savannah 3/4R  
**3rd** Harrison 3/4R

**Well done to everyone**







### Children's Speech and Language Service (Dudley)

Advice for parents and carers can be found at:

<https://www.blackcountryhealthcare.nhs.uk/our-services/childrens-speech-and-language-therapy-service-dudley>

### Dudley's Special Educational Needs and Disabilities Bulletin

The Dudley Special Educational Needs and Disabilities e-bulletin's aim is to keep parent carers, education settings and stakeholders informed about Dudley's Special Educational Needs and Disabilities (SEND) Improvement Programme as well as news and events.

As a system we are working hard to improve our SEND offer across the borough. A lot is happening and we are gathering pace to better support our children, young people and families with SEND.

Our latest bulletin provides:

- updates of our improvement journey including our progress of our Delivering Better Value Programme in SEND
- SEND news from the Dudley Parent Carer Forum, Health, the council and partners
- details of useful events for parent carers and practitioners
- SEND Education Settings News which includes information about free SEND training Resources.

**Sign up now** [SEND Improvement Programme - September 2024 \(govdelivery.com\)](https://www.govdelivery.com) to receive this e-bulletin direct to your email inbox

### Health Choices

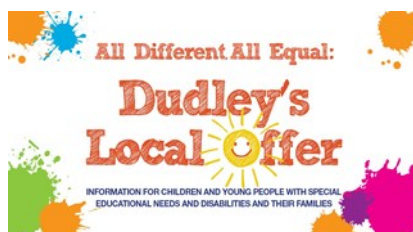
Dudley Public Health and Wellbeing is part of Dudley Council. We support and enable residents, families and communities to make positive lifestyle changes and improve your health and wellbeing. There is lots we can do as individuals to stay healthy and well in Dudley borough. This website is a one-stop place for up-to-date public health information and news, from pregnancy and early life to healthy ageing.

<https://healthydudley.co.uk/>

### Healthy Lunchboxes

The Healthy Lunchbox Resource is available to support children & families to make healthy, yummy and tooth friendly food choices for their children's lunchbox.

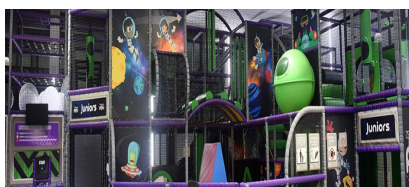
<https://healthydudley.co.uk/lunch/>



**Dudley's Local Offer** is a new one stop shop website for children and young people with special educational needs and disabilities (SEND) and their parents and carers.

The website contains a wealth of up to date information on areas which include education, training and work, health, leisure and fun, care and moving into adulthood. The website aims to help young people and parents to make individual, informed, positive decisions and choices

The Dudley family hub network is a one-stop shop, offering advice and support for families in Dudley with children aged 0-19 (25 if the child has special educational needs and/or disabilities). It includes an online offer and five local family hubs. The network includes key Start for Life services. These cover the period from conception to age two. Core Start for Life services such as midwifery, health visiting and early years support are included. <https://www.dudley.gov.uk/residents/early-years-and-childcare/dudley-family-hub-network/>



### SEN Soft Play Sessions

Dudley leisure centres offer soft play sessions for children with SEN:

**At Duncan Edwards Leisure Centre**, there is a SEN soft play session **every Wednesday from 5.00pm - 6.00pm**

**At Halesowen**, there is a SEN soft play session **every Monday from 4.30pm - 6.00pm**.

Both sessions are suitable for children under 11 years of age with disabilities, special educational needs, ASD and their siblings.

**New Sensory Room at Coseley Family Hub**  
Parents and carers can now book time in a NEW sensory room at the local family hub in Coseley. The FREE space is bookable for between 30min to an hour and gives the chance for children of all ages to explore a range of sensory activities with their parents/carers.

The sessions are self-led but staff will be on hand to support or answer any questions. To book call the hub on 01384 813096.

### **Parent Carer Forum Update:**



Dudley Parent carer Forum welcome registrations for membership from parent/carers and also offer associate memberships to wider family members or practitioners working within Dudley. Joining up means you will be kept up to date on all the latest news, information and events doing on in Dudley. Parents/Carers will also receive a FREE gift when they sign up!

[Sign Up Here](#)

### **Integrated Early Years Service Parent Support Group**



This group offers support to parents and carers of children with a range of additional needs. It provides a supportive environment to engage with your child, and also to gain practical advice for everyday routines.

[See More Details Here](#)

### Dudley Parents

There is a one stop shop for parents in the Dudley Borough offering support and information. You can gain free access to guidance and support over a range of topics for parents including First 1001 Days as a Parent, DadPad, Five to Thrive, Solihull Approach, Triple P, Parents in Conflict, The Henry Approach.

[www.dudleyparents.co.uk/home](http://www.dudleyparents.co.uk/home)

## **DudleyParents**

### SEN Help

**Kids** are a charity who create life-changing opportunities by providing a wide range of support to families. They run playscheme days at their centre alongside community days for signed up families. Parent/carers wishing to refer or register with Kids for care planned services can do so by requesting a referral form via the enquiries email: [enquiries.orchard@kids.org.uk](mailto:enquiries.orchard@kids.org.uk) or via telephone: 01384 897489.

**Sassy Sensory** surprises are launching 'Wellbeing Walks', they will take place in a different location each month.

Contact [toni@sassysensorysurprises.co.uk](mailto:toni@sassysensorysurprises.co.uk) for further details. Information can be found on their website regarding their recently launched sensory lending library.

### Happier Minds

Whether you are a young person, a parent/carers or a professional working with young people we hope this site will be helpful to you and those you care about.

<https://happierminds.org.uk/>

# Duncan Edwards Leisure Centre

**Duncan Edwards Leisure Centre is running a swimming teachers' course (STA award in teaching swimming) and is looking for children aged three to eight years who want to learn to swim.**

The course which is suitable for non or weak swimmers\* will be taught by staff who are undertaking their teaching qualification.

**Dates:** Sunday 8, 15, 22 and 29 June (all four lessons must be attended)

**Times:** 1pm - 1.30pm, 1.30pm - 2pm, 2pm - 2.30pm or 2.30pm - 3pm

**Cost:** £20 per course. Options+ Leisure Discount is not available due to the course already being discounted.

**For more information and to provisionally book a place please email:**

Heather McKenzie: [Heather.McKenzie@dudley.gov.uk](mailto:Heather.McKenzie@dudley.gov.uk)

or

Danielle Gubats: [Danielle.Gubats@dudley.gov.uk](mailto:Danielle.Gubats@dudley.gov.uk)

Please note that payment must be made at the centre once your booking has been confirmed. Your space can not be guaranteed without payment.

The poster has a dark blue background. At the top, there are two stylized yellow faces with large eyes and a string of white lights. The title 'QUIZ NIGHT' is written in large, glowing yellow-outlined letters. Below the title are several horizontal lines. The text 'ALL PROCEEDS GO TO DUDLEY DEAF CHILDREN'S SOCIETY' is in yellow. The event details are in white. The ticket information is in white. The contact information is in white. At the bottom, there is a logo for 'DdCS' and a green banner with white text.

# QUIZ NIGHT

ALL PROCEEDS GO  
TO DUDLEY DEAF  
CHILDREN'S SOCIETY

FRIDAY 16TH MAY AT 7pm  
£5 PER PERSON  
MAXIMUM 6 PER TEAM AGE 11+  
ENTRY FEE INCLUDES A COB  
CHEESE, HAM OR CORNED BEEF  
BAR AVAILABLE  
AMBLECOTE BRITISH LEGION, DY8 4DQ

FOR TICKETS PLEASE EMAIL  
[dudleydeafchildrenssociety@yahoo.com](mailto:dudleydeafchildrenssociety@yahoo.com)



**A BSL interpreter will be attending**

# Free School Meals

If you receive any of the following support payments your child may be entitled to Free School Meals

- Income Support
- Income-based Jobseekers Allowance
- Income-related Employment and Support Allowance
- Support under Part VI of the Immigration and Asylum Act 1999
- The guaranteed element of State Pension Credit
- Child Tax Credit (provided you're not also entitled to Working Tax Credit and have an annual gross income of no more than £16,190)
- Working Tax Credit Run-on – paid for 4 weeks after you stop qualifying for Working Tax Credit
- Universal Credit

If you currently receive free school meals but have now moved into the area, you will need to complete a new Free School Meals Application form

If you wish to apply for Free School Meals, please go to

[www.dudley.gov.uk/resident/your-council/council-tax-and-benefits/benefits/free-school-meals](http://www.dudley.gov.uk/resident/your-council/council-tax-and-benefits/benefits/free-school-meals)

If you need further information, you can contact the Free School Meals Team by:



Telephone -01384 814988



Email – [freeschoolmeals.benefits@dudley.gov.uk](mailto:freeschoolmeals.benefits@dudley.gov.uk)



Visiting – Dudley Council Plus, Castle Street, Dudley  
between 8.30am and 5pm Monday to Friday, 9am and 12 noon Saturday



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**FOR BOOKINGS AND ENQUIRIES PLEASE CALL OR EMAIL JAN:**

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