

# NEWSLETTER



13th June 2025 Newsletter No. 34

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Article 28 Every child has the right to an education

#### Messages from Mr Butler

**Thank you** A huge thank you to all the parents and grandparents and friends who came to support the year 3 and 4 Castle Building last Friday. It was a great afternoon and everybody really enjoyed the event and got stuck in!

Sports Day KS2 rearranged Sports Day is on Tuesday 17th June. Years 3 and 4 at 9.15 am and Years 5 and 6 at 2.00pm. Let's hope the sun shines this time!

Early Years rearranged Sports Day will be on Thursday 19th June. Please see your email for details.

Punctuality Please note that children should be in class for 8.45 am, this is the time that School starts and the registers are taken. We appreciate that occasionally problems arise so please phone the School Office if you are going to be late.

Lost Property At the end of each day we are finding multiple items of lost uniform around School, many of them have no name in so it is very difficult for us to reunite them with their owner. Please write your child's name in clothing, thank you.

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.

#### **Praise Assembly**

Children who gained badges and certificates deserve our special congratulations:

#### 11/06/2025

**Key Stage One** 

RR Foxes Arabella RB Hedgehogs Millie 1/2B Squirrels Tahmym 1/2D Moles Sheldon 2W Badgers Darla Rose

#### **Key Stage Two**

3/4B Elder Esmai 3/4R Oak Mollie 4D Chestnut Bella 5P Beech Evie 5/6B Holly Courtney 6RB Rowan **Thomas** 

### **Castle Day**

As part of our Design and Technology curriculum, the children in years 3 and 4 had a fantastic time on Friday afternoon building their castles. The structures ranged from small to gigantic, but all were equally as impressive with many turrets, working drawbridges and even a portcullis here and therel

We would like to say a huge thank you to all of the parents, friends and family who came to support the children (including bringing the essentials - tape)! Your help was really appreciated. We hope you all had a brilliant time - there was a lovely atmosphere in the hall with everybody getting stuck in.



# **Dates for the Diary**

## Tuesday 17th June

9.20am Sports Day for Yrs 3 & 4 2.00pm Sports Day for Yrs 5 & 6

Wednesday 18th June Year 6 Children to Pioneer

# Thursday 19th June

9 am Sports Day for RR Foxes & AM Nursery 1.30 pm Sports Day for RB Hedgehogs, PM & All Day Nursery

# Friday 20th June

Yr 6 Children return from Pioneer

Wednesday 2nd July **INSET Day** 

## Friday 18th July

9.15 am Yr 6 Leaver's Assembly Break up for Summer Holidays 3.15pm

> Monday 21st July **INSET Day**

#### Menu\*

WC 16.06.25 (Week 1)



#### <u>Monday</u>

**Breaded Chicken Grill** Chicken Nuggets (H) Enchiladas (V) Fish Option Potato Wedges Lemon & Orange Drizzle Cake

#### Tuesday

Beef Bolognese Beef Burger (H) Vegetarian Sausage Roll (V) Fish Option Pasta or Potato Crunchies Australian Crunch

#### Wednesday

Roast Gammon Roast Chicken (H) Cheese and Potato Pie (V) Fish Option **Mashed Potatoes** Cornflake Cake

#### **Thursday**

Chicken Tikka Wrap Quorn Dippers (V) **Diced Potatoes** Toffee Apple Crumble & Custard

#### Friday

Pizza Party (V) **Battered Fish** McCain Chips Fruity Friday

**Available Every Day** 

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

#### **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**

Reception children have had a lovely week learning about the Emergency Services. They had visits from the



Police and enjoyed

a visit from a fire engine, and even got to sound the alarm!

Next Thursday, 19th June, we will try again to do Sports Day! Morning Nursery and Miss Reynolds class will be in the morning at 9 -10.30 am. Afternoon Nursery and Miss Bate's class will be 1.15 - 2.45 pm. Fingers crossed for a sunny day, please ensure your child has an adult attending. Many thanks!

Next week, Wednesday 18th June, is Toddlers Forest School session.



## **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!

18th June is Forest School



#### **KS1 News**

This week in Key Stage One we have been continuing our work on 'Be more the story Bernard' . The children have begun to plan their own versions of the story

Be More Bernard using a new character.





In History we have been thinking about our own favourite toys and also how toys have changed over the years. We enjoyed creating our own detailed drawings of our toys.

Next week we will be creating our own sculptures using clay in Art. The children will have the opportunity to make their own sculptures and clay tiles over the next few weeks.



#### \*\*\*\*\* TT Rockstars This weeks Rockstars are; 1st Harrison 3/4R $\frac{1}{2}$ 2nd 3/4R Aaryan $\stackrel{\wedge}{\bowtie}$ ☆ 3rd Alfie G $\stackrel{\wedge}{\Rightarrow}$ Well done to everyone

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#### **RBDC News**

Everyone in the RBDC have been working very hard this week!



In Acorns class this week, we have been continuing to look at Jack and the Beanstalk. We have created artwork based on the story characters. We used different collage techniques to do this. It was great fun!

In Conkers this week, we have continued our work on the 'Worst Witch'. We have designed our own school and written sentences using expanded noun phrases to describe our setting. In History we have started our Anglo-Saxon topic. We have learnt all about settlers.



Star of the week in the base is Cicero. He has completed his times table check this week and tried hard to recall his times table facts. Well done.

#### Signed Video:

Our BSL Club's focus this week is 'Father's Dav'. Please see the video below. Please note the date is incorrect as this video was filmed in 2022.

https://www.youtube.com/watch? v=x\_0ov6X9jCs



# **Happier Minds**

Happier Minds is a mental wellbeing website designed for Young People aged 11 and over in Dudley. It also has pages for Parents/Carers and Education Staff. On the website you can access high quality, safe and reviewed mental wellbeing sources to help yourself or others you care about.



#### **KS2 News**



In years 5 and 6 this week, we have been thinking about ancient periods in history. The children have used strips of coloured paper to make some great timelines to demonstrate these different times in History.

Our 3 and 4 children have all started their new unit of work on the ancient Egyptians. All of our children are very excited to learn about the ancient periods in History.



Next week our Year 6 children will be going to Pioneer. Please remember that the children will need a packed lunch on



Wednesday. They will need to arrive at School at 10am. Check your emails for final reminders in the next few days.

Leavers' Assembly Friday 18th July at 9:15am.

#### PE Lessons

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

3/4H 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.

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.

You can buy the Ashwood Park Primary School PE Kit from Totally Uniform in Kingswinford.

# Math's Problem

#### Nick-names

Dawn, Mark, Josh and Tina are friends.







Their nick-names are Spider, Curly, Ace and Fudgy, but not in that order

What is the nick-name of each of the friends?

- Josh plays tennis with Curly and goes swimming with Ace.
- Tina has been on holiday with Curly but travels to school with Fudgy.
- Spider, Curly and Dawn play in the football team.
- Spider sometimes goes to tea with Josh.



# 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-languagetherapy-service-dudley

#### <u>Dudley's Special Educational</u> 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) 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.

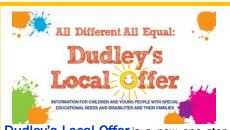
There is lots we can do as individuals to stay healthy and well in Dudley borough. This website is a one-stop place for up-to-date public health information and news, from pregnancy and early life to healthy ageing.

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/



<u>Dudley's Local Offer</u> 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 contain 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.

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

New Sensory Room at Coseley 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  $_{\it b_u}$  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 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

# **Dudley**Parents

#### 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: <a href="mailto:enquiries.orchard@kids.org.uk">enquiries.orchard@kids.org.uk</a> 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 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/carer 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/





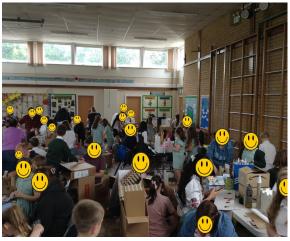
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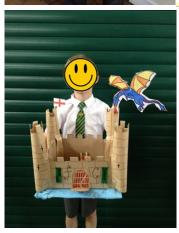


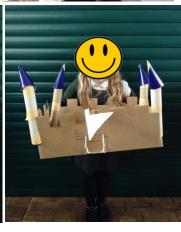










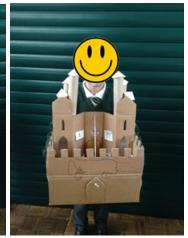
















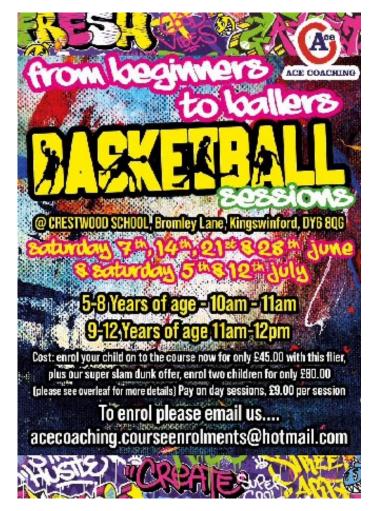
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10AM - 3PM











# THIS SUMMER COME AND JOIN THE BEE HIVE CLUB

FUN FILLED
ACTIVITIES FOR
NEURODIVERGENT
5- 11
YEAR OLDS

£25 PER SESSION

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BEE HIVE DATES

21<sup>ST</sup> JULY

23<sup>RD</sup> JULY

4<sup>TH</sup> AUGUST

6<sup>TH</sup> AUGUST

8<sup>TH</sup> AUGUST

ACTIVITIES DESIGNED TO BOOST SELF ESTEEM, INCREASE CONFIDENCE AND BUILD SOCIAL SKILLS

GAMES,
OUTDOOR PLAY,
JUNK MODELLING,
ARTS AND CRAFTS,
AND MUCH MORE





TO BOOK OR FIND OUT MORE PLEASE SEE BEE WELL TOGETHER
SOCIAL MEDIA PAGES

EMAIL US WITH ANY ENQUIRIES BEEWELLTOGETHER@OUTLOOK.COM

# 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

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



Telephone -01384 814988

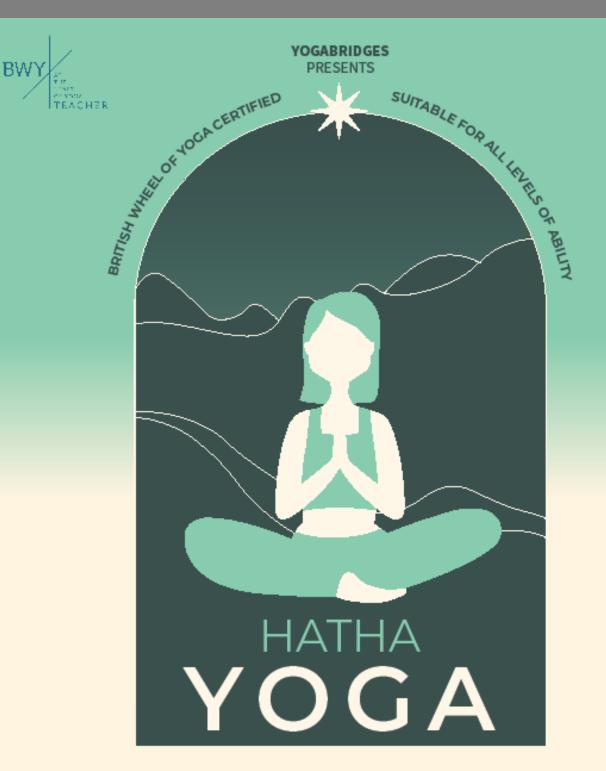


Email - freeschoolmeals.benefits@dudley.gov.uk



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





# **EVERYTHURSDAY | START AT 7.30PM**

Ashwood Park Primary School, Bells Lane, Wordsley, Stourbridge, DY8 5DJ

£9 / CLASS OR 10% DISCOUNT FOR FULL TERM

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

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