

NEWSLETTER



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Every child has the right to an education

Messages from Mr Butler:

- * We have been advised to implement an appointment system for meetings with our Senior Leadership Team please contact the Office if you wish to make an appointment.
- Summer has arrived, at last! Please remember hats, water and sunscreen.
- Please note that School will be closed to children next Thursday, July 4th, as we are a polling station for the General Election but we are open again on Friday 5th July.
- Our Early Years children have made a display for the Eco Flower Festival at Holy Trinity Church, pop over and take a look on 6th and 7th July.
- Please note that our Silver Gate will only be open between 8.35 and 8.55 am in the morning and then 3.05 and 3.25 pm in the afternoon.

Attendance

Last week's (17.06–21.06) top attenders

Key Stage 1: 2W 97.59% Key Stage 2: 3/4H 94.62%

Being around teachers and friends in a school environment is the best way for pupils to learn and reach their potential. Time in school also keeps children safe and provides access to extra-curricular opportunities and pastoral care.

More information can be found here:

https://educationhub.blog.gov.uk/2023/05/18/school-attendance-important-risks-missing-day/

Praise Awards

Children who gained badges and certificates in Praise assembly deserve our special congratulations:

W/C 24.06.24

Key Stage One

RR Foxes Leo H
RT Hedgehogs Lillie T-w
1/2B Squirrels Niya R
1/2D Moles Lucas P
2W Badgers Rowan R

Key Stage Two

3/4H Elder Ivy B
3/4R Oak Josh S
4D Chestnut Alfie P
5E Beech Jesse-Dylan S
5/6SB Holly Hoor-Ain L
6RB Rowan Elwin J

Well done everyone!

Urgent Plea

The Kids Clothes Project has been running for 4 years and has so far helped over 1500 children in families in need across the Black Country, including some from Ashwood Park. They are in *desperate* need of jumpers; T-shirts, trousers, new underwear, shoes, coats, pyjamas, dresses, swimwear, books and soft toys if you have any items spare.

There is a donation bin for The Kids Clothes project in our School Reception so please donate what you can. Many thanks.



Reflexions Mental Health Support



Reflexions are a Mental health Support Team (MHST) working in schools with a focus on early intervention and prevention for the mental health of children and young people. This term they are running a Parent Workshop and Coffee Morning.

The Coffee Morning on Thursday 11th July at 9 am will be an informal chance to meet our Reflexions worker Matt Jones, find out more about the work he does and help us plan more workshops for next academic year around what you would like to see delivered in School.

Please let us know if you would like to attend by sending an email to info@ashwood.dudley.sch.uk and please add your name and your child's name to the email.

Dates for the Diary

Tuesday 2nd July

Sept 24 Reception Parents Meeting 6pm

Thursday 4th July
General Election

School Closed to children 6th and 7th July

Eco Flower Festival at Holy Trinity Church

Tuesday 9th July

Mr Moloney Audiology Clinic

Tuesday 16th July

Y6 Leavers Party

Thursday 11th July

Reflexions Coffee Morning 9 am

Friday 19th July

Y6 Leavers Assembly at 9.15am Break up for Summer at 3.15pm

Menu*

WC 01.06.24 (Week 3)



Monday

Mac 'n' Cheese Meat free Balls in Sweet & Sour Sauce V Crusty Bread or Pasta Vegetable selection Mini Ring Doughnuts

Tuesday

Cottage Pie
French Bread Pizza V
BBQ Veggie Hot Dog & Onions V
Potato Crunchies
Vegetable selection
Iced Cake

Wednesday

Big Breakfast (Halal and Vegetarian Breakfasts available) Hash Browns Vegetable selection Waffle

Thursday

Beef Burger
Halal Beef Burger
Mediterranean Quorn V
Rice or Potato Wedges
Vegetable selection
Ice Cream Tub

Friday

Fish Fingers
Pepperoni Pizza
Margherita Pizza V
Chips or Pasta
Vegetable selection
Fruity Friday: a selection of chilled, frozen
or fresh fruit desserts

Available Every Day

Sandwich, cheese, tuna or ham filling.
Jacket Potato with a choice of cheese,
beans or cheese and beans.
Salad, crusty bread, fresh fruit, 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. * 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 <u>nut free</u> school please do not send in Nutella sandwiches or any other nut products.

EYFS News



Nursery children and parents visited the zoo this week and **DUDLEY** they really enjoyed their visit!

Reception children have enjoyed learning about all things healthy and have made their own fruit salad this week!



Next week is our September 2024 Reception Parents meeting. If your child is due to start School at Ashwood Park in September, please come to KS1 Hall on Tuesday 2nd July at 6 pm. You will learn all about starting school, dates and you will get to meet your child's teacher and see their classroom.

Tree Tots Toddler Group

Wednesdays 9.00 - 11.00am KS1



Forest School session 3rd July

Last session this term 10th July

Toys, activities, songs, stories and crafts available. Refreshments included - adults please bring a lidded cup!

KS1 News

This week in Key Stage One we have all visited the local library. The children were super ambassadors for the school and their behaviour was fabulous!



We enjoyed looking at all of the books available and a lot of children also checked out a book.



We have been learning a new song in singing assembly including using sign language to support us. It is by Sister Sledge and is called 'We are family'.

Next week we will be continuing our work on and in Art opening the School Time Capsule!



******** $\stackrel{\wedge}{\Rightarrow}$ TT Rockstars This weeks Rockstars* are; Skye P 1st 2nd Freya P $\stackrel{\wedge}{\Rightarrow}$ $\stackrel{\wedge}{\Rightarrow}$ 3rd **Emilia E** $\stackrel{\wedge}{\Rightarrow}$ Well done to everyone! $\stackrel{\wedge}{\Rightarrow}$ *based on most correct answers

RBD News

Key Stage children had a lovely walk to the library this week. They enjoyed exploring books and choosing their favourite.



We are very proud of the way they behaved so sensibly.

The Year 6 children have their transition days next week to their next secondary schools. Parents please be aware that there is no transport for these events. If you are unsure of drop off and pick times please do not hesitate to contact us or their new school. We hope they have a wonderful time!



Well done to Ruzena for an excellent effort exploring and describing different settings.



This week's signed video is all about different weather in BSL. Take a look and learn some new signs. Can you describe what the weather has been like this week?

https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=r7om09AVwtU

KS2 News

Our year 5 and 6 children have been using a short video in their English lessons this week. They have written some fantastic persuasive letters and have incorporated the United Nations Rights of the Child.



Our children in years 3 and 4 have been thinking about structuring non-chronological reports and have been researching facts about sea-life creatures. It would be great if you could ask your child about some of the facts they have found.



REMINDER

When the children come to school in their PE kit they must wear their yellow PE top, green short / 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.

Year 6 Dates

Primary Liaison

- 1st July Summerhill School
- 2nd July—Summerhill School, Windsor High School
- 3rd July The Wordsley School, The Crestwood School, Hagley High School. Ormiston Forge Academy and Redhill School*
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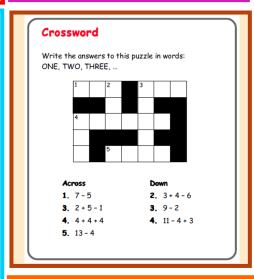
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Play

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Leavers

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- 19th July Leavers Assembly 9.15



Important Message

Please also ensure that your child has the appropriate footwear for School and PE - flat black shoes for School and pumps or black trainers for PE.

Crocs, open back shoes, open toe sandals and high heels are not appropriate footwear for School and/or sporting activities.







Children's Speech and Language Service (Dudley)

Advice for parents and carers can be found at:

https://

www.blackcountryhealthcare.nhs.uk/ourservices/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 (https://tinyurl.com/ DudleySENDBulletins) 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.

Dudley's Local Offer is part of the Dudley Community Information Directory – an online directory which offers people

quick and easy access to information on local services.

The Local Offer webpages 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

https://dudleyci.co.uk/send-local-offer

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/



The summer heat can affect us all. Some people are more at risk of harm f r o m h i g h temperatures and need to be more careful. These

include older people, especially those over 75, people who live on their own, those with a pre-existing health condition, babies and young children, and people who spend a lot of time outside or in hot places. Here you will find information, advice, help and support on keeping safe and well in summer.

https://www.dudley.gov.uk/ summerwellbeing

DUDLEY HOLIDAY ACTIVITIES



You are 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 • Your child is eligible for benefits related free school meals (FSM). • Vulnerable children not eligible for free school meals may still be able to register for HAF activities but please make sure you read this section on the website before you apply. • Many families in Dudley could get benefit related free school meals but don't claim for them. Your child may be entitled to free school meals if: • your annual income is less than £16,190; and • you claim Child Tax Credit (*Not Including Working Tax Credit) only

https://www.dudleyholidayactivities.org.uk/register





Online Safety

We have had an increase in the number of parents making enquiries about online safety. We are looking at options to provide some workshops in school. You may find the following are useful websites.

Excellent advice for keeping children safe online can be found on these websites: https://www.childnet.com/help-and-advice/parents-and-carers

https://saferinternet.org.uk/guide-and-resource/parents-and-carers

https://www.nspcc.org.uk/keeping-childrensafe/online-safety/

Happier Minds

A mental wellbeing website for young people, parents/carers and school based staff in Dudley. Here in Dudley we have the highest ambitions and want to create a brighter future for all of our children and young people. We have developed this website to ensure that both national and local mental health support is accessible all in one place at the click of a button.

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.

This site also provides information on how to get help urgently.

https://happierminds.org.uk/

Clearance Sale

We have a small number of Ashwood Park uniform left for sale in these sizes:

Jumpers — Age 3/4 (£11), Small and Medium Teen (£13)

Cardigans — Age 3/4, 5/6, (£11)Small and Medium Teen (£13)

PE T Shirt - Age 3/4 and 5/6 (£5)

PE Shorts -18"/20", 22"/24", 26/28" and 30/32" (£4)

Please ask at the Office Payment by cash only

PE and Swimming

The children have the following PE days:

- Years 5 and 6 Friday
- Years 3 and 4 Monday (3/4H bringing their swimming kit)
- Years 3 and 4 can come to school in their kit on Tues only
- Years 5 and 6 can come to school in their kit on Wed only

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Team Parish of Wordsley Holy Trinity Church

Eco Flower Festival and Craft Sale
Saturday 6th July, 2024.
10.00 am—5.00pm

Come and visit our first every Eco Flower Festival. Flowers on display will be made from many forms of material that have been recycled, i.e plastic bottles, cups, plastic or wooden spoons, old magazines, inserts from kitchen roll holders, material from

old clothes, wool.



Kids Clothes Project

We are thrilled to tell you that we now have a donation bin for The Kids Clothes project in our School Reception.



When you are having a clear out of your children's outgrown clothes, please consider donating them to this project who provide clothing for children in need across the Black Country. They accept good quality preloved clothes, toys and books that are suitable for children aged 2-12.

The Kids Clothes Project has been running for 4 years and has so far helped over 1500 children in families in need across the Black Country, including some from Ashwood Park. Children are provided with a generous parcel including: 7 of each of the following items; Jumpers; T-shirts; trousers and new underwear. Additional items include: shoes, coats, pyjamas, dresses, swimwear, books and soft toys.

We would also like to make all families aware, that we are able to make this support available to you if you find you are struggling to clothe your children, or would appreciate an extra hand. Please speak to your child's teacher, if you would like to be referred.

If you'd like to know more about Kids Clothes Project, please check out https://www.kidsclothesproject.co.uk/

or email them on help@kidsclothesproject.co.uk

As and When Lunchtime Supervisor Vacancy

Would you like to join our friendly team? We are looking to appoint an As and When Lunchtime Supervisor to cover absences. Duties include helping children cut up their food, if needed, encouraging good behaviour and table manners, supervising children in the playground (or indoors if wet weather), comforting children who are upset, dealing with minor injuries like cuts, grazes and bruises, organising games.

Ask at the Office for more details and an application form.

Dogs



School policy is that **no dogs** are allowed on school premises (either on a lead or carried). We would appreciate your cooperation by **not** bringing your pet to school.

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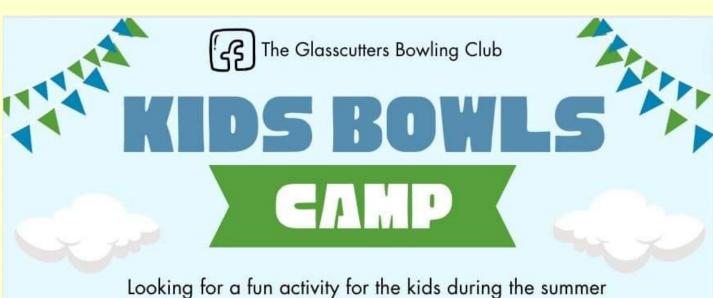
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Privacy Notice

Please note that our Privacy Notice can be found on the Ashwood Park Primary School website:

https://www.ashwood.dudley.sch.uk/
policies/



holidays? Come and let them have a go at crown green bowls! We're hosting a children's and parents bowls afternoon every Friday during the holidays from 2pm until 4pm.



- Free Admission Free Refreshments
 - Certificate of Accomplishment

Please get in touch on our facebook page!

Address: The Glasscutters Arms, 9 Barnett Street, Wordsley, DY85QL



Summer Netball Camps

20th - 21st August







The Wordsley School

Brierley Hill Road, Stourbridge DY8 5SP

£35 per Day

Ages 6 - 11

- First aider on site at all times
- All Coaches DBS checked

£60 for Both Days

Activities

- Fun Games
- Skills and Drills
- Team Building
- Match Play

Sibling Discounts
Available



Book Today www.littlenetters.net/camps

Follow us







Welcome to Dudley Holiday Activities

We provide free school holiday activities and food for children aged 5 – 16 who are eligible for benefits-related free school meals and <u>other vulnerable groups.</u>

You can use this site to <u>register</u> your child and book fun and rewarding activities across the borough.

Keeping your child happy and fulfilled during the holidays can be a challenge; and we want to support parents and carers.

Funded by the Department of Education and hosted by Dudley Council, we work with local organisations to provide a variety of exciting activities and clubs for kids as well as providing a healthy meal or snack at each session they attend.









Gornal: Straits Primary School

Stourbridge: St Josephs Catholic Primary School



30th July - 23rd August 9am - 1pm

Multi-Sports Activity Camp

Children aged 5-11, eligible for free school meals and in receipt of a **Dudley HAF Barcode**



You must be registered with Dudley HAF and have a HAF Barcode. can the OR Code below to login / register and book your activities.

Gornal: Straits Primary School Stourbridge: St Josephs Catholic Primary School

Up to 20 spaces available per day! Don't miss out and book today!



rbholidaycamps.co.uk

0121 695 1394

info@rbholidaycamps.co.uk



Monday 22nd July - Friday 30th August

Multi-Sports Activity Camp

Tenterfields Primary School (Halesowen), St Josephs Primary School (Stourbridge), Straits Primary School (Gornal), St Catherines CE Primary School, (Kidderminster), St Michaels Catholic Primary Academy (Wolverhampton), Hallfield School (Edgbaston)

Book online at rbholidaycamps.co.uk Children aged 4-12**

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Camp Pricing

Timings	5 Day Early Booking Offer*	Standard Prices
Long Day 8am - 6pm	£162	day / £36 5 day week / £180
School Day 9am - 3.30pm	£123.75	day / £27.50 5 day week / £137.50
Half Day** 8am - 12pm	£90	day / £20 5 day week / £100
Half Day** 9am - 12pm / 12.30pm - 3.30pm	£81	day / £18 5 day week / £90



*Early booking offer expires 30th June 2024

^{**4} year olds can only book half day camps



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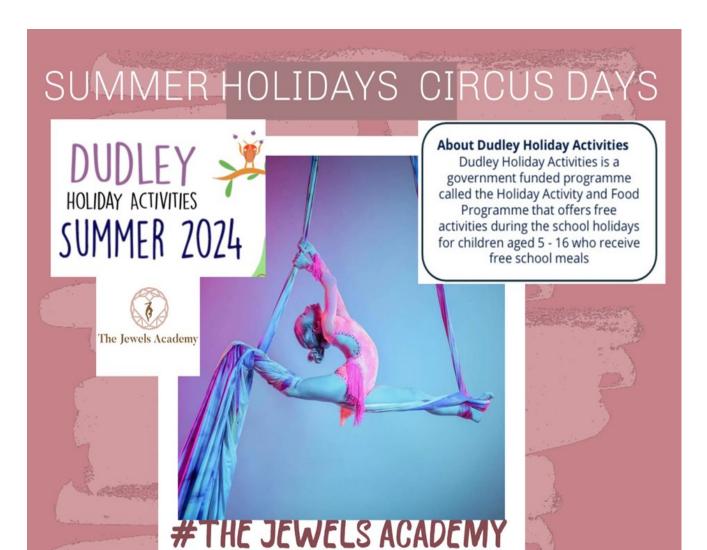
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Scan the QR code for more information!





Come and fly with us this summer every wednesday & Friday 10am-2pm throughout the holidays ages 7-13

Funded spaces for those eligible with the HAF programme. £25 per day if not eligible (lunch provided)

Wednesday 24th July, Friday 26th July, Wednesday 31st July, Friday 2nd August, Wednesday 7th August, Friday 9th August, Wednesday 14th August, Friday 16th August, Wednesday 21st August, Friday 23rd August, Wednesday 28th August, Friday 30th August