



Messages from Mr Butler

Visitor We were visited by Cllr Keith Archer on Wednesday as our provision for SEND children was discussed at Dudley Council recently. Mr Archer toured the facility and said that he was very pleased with what he saw and will report back to the Council.

Tick Tock Do remember to put your clocks forward one hour on Sunday morning.

Thank You The Comic Relief Charity will be receiving £312.40 from your very kind muffin day donations from last Friday.

Science Competition Please encourage your child to enter our Change and Adapt Poster Competition. Deadline 28th March.

Easter Our PTA are organising Easter hampers and competitions, they need your help! See pages 4 and 5 for more information.

INSET Friday 11th April is an INSET day so School will be closed to children.

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

Attendance

Last week's top attenders:

KS1: 2W Badgers 96.37%
KS2: 4D Chestnut 95.20%

As a School we have a responsibility to monitor the attendance of all children in School. Attendance is vital to a child, children who have better attendance are proven to achieve more.

Praise Assembly

Children who gained badges and certificates deserve our special congratulations:

26/03/2025

Key Stage One

RR Foxes	Isla
RB Hedgehogs	Kady
1/2B Squirrels	Jenson
1/2D Moles	-
2W Badgers	Millie

Key Stage Two

3/4B Elder	Cody
3/4R Oak	Dotty
4D Chestnut	Chloe-Ann
5P Beech	Iyla W
5/6B Holly	Nathan
6RB Rowan	Tyler

Match Report



On Thursday, 20th March, the Year 6 football team travelled to Fairhaven Primary for a local derby. In a very tight and tense game, neither side was able to break the deadlock. The players showed great determination and teamwork against another strong side.

Final Score: Ashwood Park 0:Fairhaven 0

Dates for the Diary

Friday 28th March

PTA Easter Donation Muffin Day

Monday 31st March

Year 4 Multiplication Tests Meeting 3.15pm

Wednesday 2nd April

Hickory's Reward Breakfast
Last Tree Top Toddlers Group Session

Thursday 10th April

PTA Easter Events
Break Up for Easter Holidays 3.15pm

Wednesday 9th April

RAF Cosford Trip for Years 1 and 2
TT Rockstars Day for Year 3 and 4

Friday 11th April

INSET Day

Monday 28th April

Return to School 8.45am

Thursday 1st May

Animal Lady for Reception

Friday 2nd May

INSET Day

Wednesday 21st May

Forge Farm Trip for Years 3 and 4

Friday 23rd May

Break up for Half Term 3.15pm

Monday 2nd June

Health Week

Return to School 8.45 am

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

Menu*

WC **31.03.25** (Week 3)



Monday

Pizza Naan
Quorn Dippers (V)
Fish Fingers
Potato Crunchies
Carrots and Baked Beans
Waffle

Tuesday

Mac & Cheese (V)
Fish Stars
Potato Wedges
Sweetcorn and Peas
Hot Chocolate Sponge & Custard

Wednesday

Roast Beef
Roast Chicken (H)
Quorn Balls (V)
Fish Cake
Mashed Potatoes
Peas and Cauliflower
Cornflake Cake

Thursday

Chicken in a Bun
Cheese and Onion Roll
Fish Fingers
Diced Potato
Cauliflower and Carrots
Shortbread Selection

Friday

Pizza (V)
Battered Fish
McCain Chips
Sweetcorn and Green Beans
Brownie

Available Every Day

Jacket potato, sandwich, cheese, tuna or ham filling, 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 **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.

EFYS News

This week, the children have worked hard and enjoyed making lovely cards for Mother's (& Others) Day this Sunday. Check book bags for your child's creation!



Reception will be having a visit from the Animal Lady after the Easter holidays so please ensure you send in £4.50 if you are able. Thank you.



Next Wednesday is the last Tree Tops Toddler session of the term, hopefully the Easter Bunny will be visiting!

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!

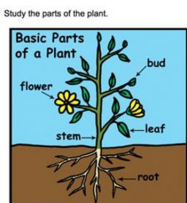


KS1 News



This week in Key Stage One we have been inventing our own disgusting sandwiches based on the book 'The Disgusting Sandwich' by Gareth Edwards. The children came up with some truly awful and horrible combinations!

We have also been on a walk around School to look at the different plants we have at Ashwood Park and have labelled the parts of a plant on our own sketches.



Next week we will be finding out more about the history of Flight in preparation for our exciting trip to RAF Cosford.



ROYAL AIR FORCE MUSEUM

TT Rockstars

This weeks Rockstars are;

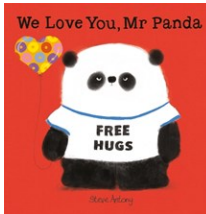
1st William 3/4R
2nd Thomas 4D
3rd Kobie 3/4R

Well done to everyone

RBDC News

There has been lots going on in the RBDC this week!

In Acorn class this week, we have continued working on our project with Mr Panda! We have enjoyed the first three books in the series by Steve Anthony 'Please, Mr Panda!', 'Thank You, Mr Panda!' and 'I'll Wait, Mr Panda!'. This week, we have looked at the importance of being kind to our friends when we read 'We Love You, Mr Panda!' This theme continues in RE where we have shared a Sikh Langar meal.



In Conkers this week, we have been practicing getting ready for swimming. We have talked about how important it is to look after our equipment and the rules of swimming. We have been challenging ourselves to become more independent and communicate what we need from the adults around us.



Our Star of the Week this week is Lilly-Mai for working incredibly hard in English. She has produced a fantastic piece of writing. Keep up the good work.

This week is Ted's final week as part of Ashwood Park's Resource Base for Deaf Children. We spent time this week all together saying Goodbye and sharing our best memories of Ted and his time in the RBDC. We wish you the best of luck Ted as you move on to your new school. You will be missed by all staff and children.

We have also been working hard on practicing our times tables. Please support your child to learn their times tables by playing at home on

Times Table Rock Stars

All children should have their log-in details.

Signed Video:

Our BSL Club's focus this week is 'Mother's Day'. Please see the video below to learn about Mother's Day.



Mommy

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=IwV9uk-T1eM&t=2s>



KS2 News

Year 5 and 6 children have continued to enjoy their history unit and have been learning about Henry VIII and Tudor punishment. The children have enjoyed exploring artefacts and are looking forward to their visit from Henry Tudor next week.



Year 3 and 4 children have been enjoying their art unit - Growing Artists. They have been exploring the school grounds for natural objects to rub and draw. We are excited to see their flower landscapes completed.

TTRS

YEARS 3 and 4: Please support your child to learn their times tables by playing at home on [Times Table Rock Stars](#).

All children should have their log-in details.

YEAR 4: There will be an information meeting for parents on Monday 31st March at 3:20pm in the KS2 hall to discuss the Year 4 Multiplication Tables Check. We would like a representative from each family to attend.

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.

You can buy the Ashwood Park Primary

Math's Problem

Queen Esmerelda's coins

Queen Esmerelda had 20 gold coins. She put them in four piles.



- ◆ The first pile had four more coins than the second.
- ◆ The second pile had one less coin than the third.
- ◆ The fourth pile had twice as many coins as the second.

How many gold coins did Esmerelda put in each pile?



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

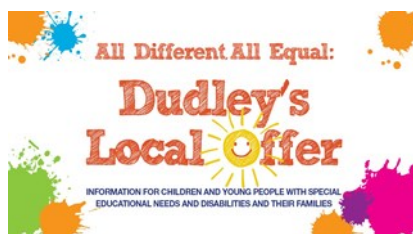
Dudley Public Health and Wellbeing is part of Dudley Council. We support and enable residents, families and communities to make positive lifestyle changes and improve your health and wellbeing. There is lots we can do as individuals to stay healthy and well in Dudley borough. This website is a one-stop 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/>



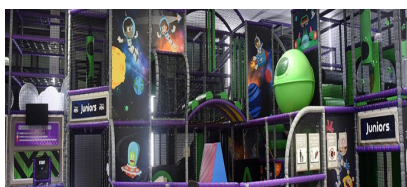
Dudley's Local Offer is a new one stop shop website for children and young people with special educational needs and disabilities (SEND) and their parents and carers.

The website 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.

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 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

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 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/>



Mufti Day

Friday 28th March

In exchange for an Easter Egg, Easter Sweets or any other 'Easter' treat.

These will be used as competition prizes (details to follow) & in our Easter Raffle*

*Tickets on sale Wednesday 3rd April

Thankyou for your support.



Easter Events

Thursday 10th April

Nursery/Rec/Ks1

Easter Bonnet Parade

Ks2—Decorate a hard boiled egg
competition.

Prizes for winners.

We will also be drawing the Easter Raffle

JOIN DUDLEY'S BIGGEST SCHOOL HOLIDAY PROGRAMME!

Eligible children and young people can attend holiday activities for free*, including lunch, as part of the HAF Programme.



Learn more by visiting our website:
<https://www.dudleyholidayactivities.org.uk/>

*Funded by the
Department for
Education




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for Education


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HOLIDAY ACTIVITIES



About Dudley Holiday Activities

Dudley Holiday Activities is a government funded programme called the Holiday Activity and Food Programme that offers free activities during the school holidays for children from Reception –Year 11 who receive benefits related free school meals

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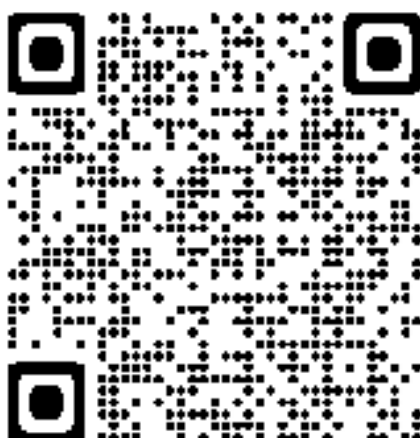
EASTER 2025

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 in school from Reception –Year 11
- 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

NEXT STEPS

Register on the [Dudley HAF Website](#) -- you only need to do this once! Or scan the QR Code
You must be registered to be able to book activities



Follow us on [Facebook](#) for updates

Once FSM status has been verified by Dudley Council, you will receive an email with login details and password for your account.



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HOLIDAY ACTIVITIES

Sports Plus
Scheme

VENUE:

BELLE VUE PRIMARY SCHOOL,
LAWNSWOOD ROAD,
WORDSLEY,
STOURBRIDGE,
DY8 5BZ

DATE:

MONDAY 14TH APRIL 2025 - THURSDAY 17TH APRIL 2025

TIME:

10:00AM - 2:00PM

AGE RANGE: 5 - 11 YEARS

MULTI SPORTS CAMP

COME ALONG AND JOIN IN OUR VARIETY OF FUN AND ACTIVE SPORTS PLANNED BY OUR QUALIFIED COACHES. ACTIVITIES INCLUDE FOOTBALL, BASKETBALL, TENNIS, GYMNASTICS, ARCHERY, SCOOTER HOCKEY, ULTIMATE FRISBEE AND MANY MORE! A HOT HEALTHY LUNCH IS ALSO PROVIDED EACH DAY.

BOOKINGS GO LIVE ON 24/03/2025 AT 12PM

Register on the [Dudley HAF Website](#) - You must be registered to be able to book activities





Football & Invasion Games EGGSTRAVAGANZA

MONDAY 14TH - THURSDAY 17TH APRIL
TUESDAY 22ND - FRIDAY 25TH APRIL

**NERF
BATTLES
& ZUMBA
DISCO**

**EASTER EGG
HUNTS AND
EASTER CRAFT
MAKING**

**9AM - 3PM @
CRESTWOOD SCHOOL**

Bromley Lane, Kingswinford, DY6 8QG

**Eggcellent extra activities of
zumba disco, nerf battles and
an easter egg hunt.**

Eligibility: Ages 4 - 11 years old, receive benefit related free school meals, registered for free with your HAF borough provider. Please see the below attached helpful contact links, and QR code.

Once you have registered, simply search for us, Ace Coaching Limited for full course information and enrol your child on to our FREE HAF courses. Only 25 spaces available. Don't miss out!

Parents who do not meet the criteria of HAF can still enrol your children, please contact...
AceCoaching.CourseEnrolments@hotmail.com



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DUDLEY
HOLIDAY ACTIVITIES



ACE COACHING PRESENTS

FOOTBALL & INVASION GAMES EASTER EGGSTRAVAGANZA

WHEN
COURSE 1
 Monday 14th - Thurs 17th April
COURSE 2
 Tuesday 22nd - Friday 25th April
 Please enquire if your child is 4 years old as session times may differ.
 (Focusing primarily on the sports Football, Dodgeball, Netball and Handball)

WHERE
 CRESTWOOD SCHOOL &
 6th Form, Bromley Lane,
 Kingswinford, DY6 8QG

COST
 £100 for the week, £30 per day

TIME
 Each day 9.00am - 3.00pm

**OPEN TO BOYS AND GIRLS
FROM RECEPTION TO YEAR 6**

ACE OFFER 1
 Bookings & payments received by Friday 11th April will receive a **£10 DISCOUNT!**
 Offer only applies with an booking at least one week on with Ace Coaching Football and Invasion Games Course.

ACE OFFER 2
 Family & Friends - Enrol two children for the week, bookings and payments received by Friday 11th April
FOR ONLY £160
 Offer only applies to week bookings. Not available for the 2nd week of the course. Please contact us for full details. Offer is subject to availability. Bookings must be made with Ace Coaching.

ACE OFFER 3
Book three days FOR ONLY £75
 This is a more exclusive offer applies on Friday 11th April and is not in conjunction with any other of our offers.



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



A BSL interpreter will be attending

Dudley SENDIAS Service is hosting a series of SEND Workshops

Dudley SENDIAS Service offers information, advice and support on all matters relating to SEN and disabilities including health and social care to parents and carers of children with SEND and Young People with SEND up to 25 years old.

Are you

- A parent/carer of a child with SEND?
- A young person with SEND?
- Concerned about the support that is in place to help your child in school/college?

To book on to a workshop contact us at
dudley.sendiass@dudley.gov.uk

Dudley SENDIAS Service Website

<http://dudleysendiass.org.uk/>

Spring Term 2025 10am – 11.30am on MS Teams

Understanding how to access SEN support within settings

- Thursday 23rd January 2025
- Friday 21st March 2025

Understanding the EHCP request process

- Friday 31st January 2025
- Monday 31st March 2025

How to check a draft plan

- Monday 10th February 2025

Preparing and process for annual review

- Wednesday 5th March 2025

Preparation for key transitions

- Thursday 13th March 2025



How can we help?

- Individual casework
- Preparing, supporting and attending meetings
- Help with writing letters and completing forms
- Help to understand what support can be offered to a child or young person with SEN and/or a disability without an education health care plan in place. This could be in an early years, school or further education setting
- Support to parents and young people during an education health care assessment
- Access to an independent supporter if requested - this is subject to availability
- Advice and support in relation to appeals to the SEN and disability tribunal
- Help if things go wrong and advice on complaints relating to SEN and/or disabilities including those related to health and social care
- Help if your child is excluded
- Providing support to manage mediation
- Explaining the disagreement resolution process
- Access to training and workshops

For more information contact:

Dudley SEND information, advice and support service

An answering machine is in operation, please leave a message and we will return your call.

Tel: 07900 161363

Tel: 01384 817373

E-mail: dudley.sendiass@dudley.gov.uk

Web: www.dudley.gov.uk/dudleysendiass



Dudley special educational needs and disability information, advice and support service (SENDIASS)

(formerly Dudley Parent Partnership Service)

If you're a parent or carer of a child or young person with special educational needs (SEN) or a disability, or a child or young person up to the age of 25 with special educational needs or a disability, we can help you.

We provide legally based advice, information and support on all matters relating to SEN and disabilities including health and social care issues.

- Free
- Impartial
- Confidential

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



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FOR BOOKINGS AND ENQUIRIES PLEASE CALL OR EMAIL JAN:

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