

11th April 2025
Newsletter No. 28
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Article 28 Every child has the right to an education

Messages from Mr Butler

Easter A big thank you to the Easter Bunny for visiting School, the children were delighted to show off their bonnets and decorated eggs and all enjoyed the Easter hunts in the School grounds.

Raffle Our PTA organised some fantastic Easter hampers as prizes for our raffles, thank you all so much for buying tickets and well done to our lucky winners. You helped raise £464.40!!!!

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

Summer Term We wish all our families a fantastic Easter break and look forward to seeing you at the start of our Summer Term on Monday 28th April.

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



Dates for the Diary

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

Monday 21st July

INSET Day

Menu*

WC 28.04.25 (Week 1)



Monday

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

Tuesday

Beef Bolognese
Beef Burger (H)
Sausage Roll (V)
Fish Stars
Potato Crunchies
Australian Crunch

Wednesday

Roast Gammon
Roast Chicken (H)
Cheese & Potato (V)
Fish Stars
Mashed Potatoes
Cornflake Cake

Thursday

Chicken Tikka Wrap
Quorn Dippers (V)
Fish Fingers
Diced Potato
Toffee Apple Crumble and Custard

Friday

Pizza Party (V)
Battered Fish
McCain Chips
Fruity Friday

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**

Attendance

Last week's top attenders:

KS1: 2W Badgers 98.93%

KS2: 4D Chestnut 99.68%

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.

[Fines for parents for taking children out of school: What you need to know – The](#)

Praise Assembly

Children who gained badges and certificates deserve our special congratulations:

09/04/2025

Key Stage One

RR Foxes	Callum
RB Hedgehogs	Alyssia
1/2B Squirrels	-
1/2D Moles	-
2W Badgers	-

Key Stage Two

3/4B Elder	Joby-Jai
3/4R Oak	Alfie F
4D Chestnut	Ellie-Mae
5P Beech	Ruth
5/6B Holly	Freya
6RB Rowan	Scarlett P

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



The children have enjoyed lots of Easter activities this week; an Easter treat hunt, the Easter Bunny visit, Easter card making to bring home for friends and family!

Nursery enjoyed a lovely trip to the farm this week, thank you to everyone who supported this.



After Easter, Reception are having a visit from the Animal Lady, please ensure you have completed the form and paid £4.50 if you are able.

PE and Forest School kits will come home at the end of this week to check and wash if needed.

Happy Easter to all our families, we hope you have lovely break!



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 we have been on our exciting visit to RAF Cosford. We had an amazing time looking at the different aircraft and finding out about how we learned to fly. The children were so well behaved and were a super representation of our school so well done everybody!



We have also had the most amazing day celebrating Easter with a bonnet parade, an egg hunt and a visit from the Easter bunny!

We hope you all have a restful and happy holiday and we will see you after Easter!



TT Rockstars

This weeks Rockstars are;

1st Thomas 4D
2nd Harrison 3/4R
3rd Chloe G 4D

Well done to everyone

RBDC News

We have had a fantastic but very busy week in the RBDC this week!

In Acorn class this week, we have been on a fabulous school trip to RAF Cosford. We spent our time walking around the museum and learning lots of very important facts about aeroplanes and helicopters. It was so much fun!!



In Conkers this week there has been lots going on. We have celebrated TT Rockstars Day by practising our times tables, describing rock stars and having a colouring competition. We also had a fantastic day on Thursday taking part in all things Easter! We had an Easter Egg Hunt, made Easter Cards and Crafts and had a visit from the Easter Bunny!



Our Star of the Week this week is William for trying so hard when writing his own story in English. You have written a very entertaining story about Ted and his Dog. Well done William!

Some of our children in the RBDC are off to see Dinosaurs Live on Sunday 13th April after our Year 3 and 4 children wrote to the Grand Theatre about accessibility. We hope you have a lovely time and cannot wait to hear all about it when we return to school!



Have a lovely Easter!



Easter

Our BSL Club's focus this week is 'Easter'. Please see the video below to learn about how to sign.

Signed Video:

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=fr2FG1GrDPU&t=4s>

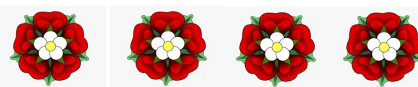
KS2 News



Our children in years 3 and 4 have had such an exciting week this week. All three of our classes visited the Wordsley Green Library. This is a regular visit of ours and the children gain so much from going. It's great that it is just on our doorstep. If you are at a loose end over the next two weeks, you could take a look at some of the events they are running (See page 4).



Our 3/4 classes have also had their TT Rockstars day on Wednesday - they came in some truly amazing costumes.



Years 5 and 6 have now concluded their work on the Tudors. They have thoroughly enjoyed this unit of work. Next half term they will begin our next Geography units.

PE Lessons

Monday - 3/4H and 3/4R PE kit needed. 4D 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 School PE Kit from [Totally Uniform](#) in Kingswinford.

Math's Problem

Treasure hunt

Jed and Jake are pirates. Between them they have three precious jewels: a ruby (R), a diamond (D) and an emerald (E).



Complete the table. Show what jewels each pirate could have.

Jed	⊗								
Jake	⊗								

TTRS Battle of the Bands Starting on 14th April at 8am





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

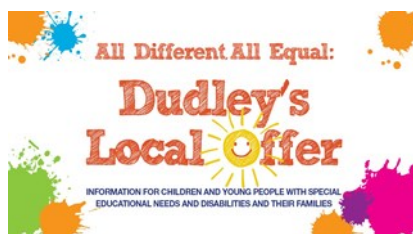
Dudley Public Health and Wellbeing is part of Dudley Council. We support and enable residents, families and communities to make positive lifestyle changes and improve your health and wellbeing. There is lots we can do as individuals to stay healthy and well in Dudley borough. This website is a one-stop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



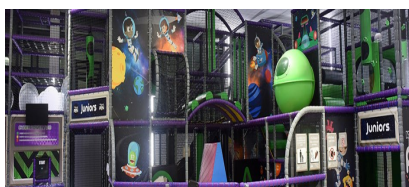
Dudley's Local Offer is a new one stop shop website for children and young people with special educational needs and disabilities (SEND) and their parents and carers.

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/>

LIBRARY NOTICE

Easter Activities at Wordsley Library!



Mon 14th April - Easter Bunny Craft - 2-3pm - **Bookable (4yrs+)**

Tues 15th April - Lego Spike - 11am-12pm - **Bookable (6yrs+)**

Tues 15th April - Lego Spike - 2-3pm **Bookable (6yrs+)**

Weds 16th April - Rattle & Rhyme 10.30-11am - **Bookable (0-4yrs)**

Weds 16th April - Drop In Decorate an Easter Egg - 1-3pm (4yrs+)

Thurs 17th April - Spring Wreath Craft - 10.30-11.30am **Bookable (4yrs+)**

Sat 19th April - Saturday Family Lego Workshop - 10am-1pm (4yrs+)

Tues 22nd April - Cressman Craft - 10.30-11.30am - **Bookable (4yrs+)**

Tues 22nd April - Lego Spike - 2-3pm - **Bookable (6yrs+)**

Weds 23rd April - Fluffy Sheep Craft -10.30-11.30am - **Bookable (4yrs+)**

Weds 23rd April - Drop In St George's Day Dragon Craft- 1-3pm (4yrs+)

Thurs 24th April - Rattle & Rhyme - 10.30-11am - **Bookable (0-4yrs)**

Fri 25th April - Lego Workshop - 2-3pm - **Bookable (4yrs+)**

**Also come and do our Easter Treasure Hunt
around the library**

For more details contact Wordsley Library on 01384 812765 or
email wordsley.library@gll.org



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Metropolitan Borough Council

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



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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HOLIDAY ACTIVITIES

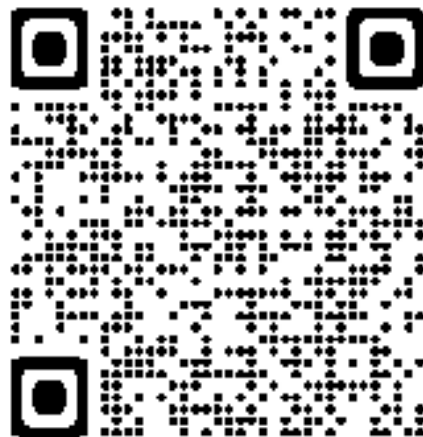
EASTER 2025

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





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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£9 / CLASS OR 10% DISCOUNT FOR FULL TERM

FOR BOOKINGS AND ENQUIRIES PLEASE CALL OR EMAIL JAN:

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