

# NEWSLETTER

Friday 17th May 2024



## DUDLEY NEWS



### POD DISCO

We would like to say a big thank you POD for organising the disco this afternoon. The children most certainly had a fantastic time, dancing the afternoon away to DJ Maclean's set and chasing bubbles!

### DUDLEY DUCKLINGS

Our duckling eggs arrived this week and the children couldn't wait to see them hatch. This is a great learning opportunity for all of our children and we would like to thank POD for funding this experience. We look forward to watching them learn to swim next week!

### SMALL TOYS FROM HOME & CHEW TOYS

We have recently had an increase of children bringing equipment from home, especially fidget and chew toys. Please ensure that you have discussed the need for such items with your class teacher or Mrs Sankey, Inclusion Lead, before giving them to your children. They are sometimes being used inappropriately and we may need to complete a risk assessment before we can allow them to be used within school. Thank you

### FUTURE POD EVENTS

Our Dudley Summer Fayre is being held on Saturday 6th July, 1-3pm. If you are able to help organise or help on the day, please speak to a member of POD. Thank you.

### DUDLEY SUPPORTS MENTAL HEALTH AWARENESS WEEK

This week was Mental Health Awareness Week. Here at Dudley, to show our support, the children came to school dressed in green on Wednesday. We would like to say thank you to our academy community for supporting such an important and prevalent issue.



### PEARLS OF THE SEA ART EXHIBITION

A reminder that it's not too late to take a look at Year 2's fantastic art work that has formed part of the Hastings Contemporary, 'Pearls of the Sea' project. The celebratory exhibition runs until 2nd June and, for all family members of our Year 2 children, entry is free. This also includes siblings. If you need a replacement complimentary ticket, please do contact Mrs Luke.

We are already looking forward to participating in the project next year.



## PEARLS OF THE SEA THE SEA AND ME

27 March 2024 - 2 June 2024

Since its launch in 2015, Pearls of the Sea, our flagship schools engagement programme, has given thousands of local students the opportunity to explore their creativity through gallery visits, classroom activities and artist-led workshops.

The project aims to help local children feel comfortable and welcome in a gallery setting, give them the opportunity to experiment with materials and processes beyond those they may have access to at school or home, and raise aspirations.

400 children from eight Hastings and St Leonards schools worked with local artists to create a series of collaborative art works exploring their relationship with the sea.

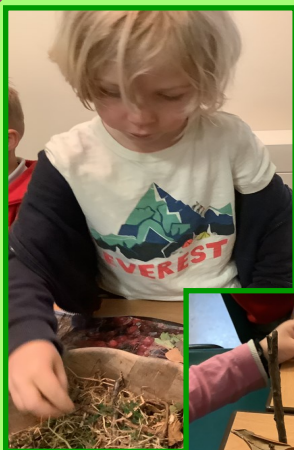
#### Participating Schools in 2023/2024:

Ark Blacklands Primary Academy: years 3 & 4, working with Olivia Abdallaou  
Ark Castledown Primary Academy: year 3, working with Hattie Collins  
The Baird Primary Academy: years 5, working with Toya Walker  
Churchwood Primary Academy: years 4 & 5, working with Joseph Legg  
Dudley Infant Academy: year 2, working with Dagmara Rudkin  
Ore Village Primary Academy: year 4, working with Toya Walker  
Sacred Heart Catholic Primary School: year 1, working with Orla Silva  
Saxton Mount School: year 9, working with Janey Moffat





### YEAR 1 VISIT TO MALLYDAMS





## A TOWN EXPLORES A BOOK - DUDLEY AWARDS

This year, our children participated in a Town Explores a Book festival. Alongside the artwork that was produced, the children also entered the festival's writing competition. Many local schools were involved and we are delighted to share with you that we had a number of entries that were shortlisted. In total, 11 children received 'Highly Commended' awards for their fantastic, creative writing and Ryan, Florence and Caspar went on to win their age category. We would like to say a big well done to all of the children that took part - what a great achievement.

We are already looking forward to next year, when the children will be exploring *Iguanodon* by Gideon Mantell, on the bicentenary of the naming of the fossil reptile found in Sussex.



## SAFEGUARDING CONTACT INFORMATION

Designated Safeguarding Team  
(for Dudley Infant Academy)

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## DUDLEY DIARY DATES

- 23rd May - Class Wolf trip to Mallydams
- 23rd May - Final Shore Academy session (Tiger Class)
- 25th May - 2nd June - MAY HALF TERM
- Monday 3rd June - Start of Term 6
- 19th June - Rainbow Mufti day (information to follow)
- 20th & 21st June - INSET DAYS
- 5th July - Great British Dudley Bake off
- 6th July - Summer Fayre 1pm - 3pm
- 10th July - Sports day (more information to follow)
- 23rd July - Last day of Term 6



Dear Parents and Carers,

It's hard to believe that we are fast approaching the end of Term 5. There have been some exciting enrichment visits and opportunities for the children this week and we get to finish it off with a disco - perfect!

We hope you all enjoy the weekend.

DJ Maclean, Mrs Luke & The Dudley Team





**MENTAL  
HEALTH  
AWARENESS  
WEEK**

13-19 MAY 2024



This Mental Health  
Awareness Week find your  
**#MomentsForMovement**

**LET'S  
MOVE MORE  
FOR OUR MENTAL  
HEALTH**

**13-19 MAY 2024**





# A GREAT BRITISH DUDLEY BAKE-OFF OLYMPIC THEMED



## RULES

**ONLY CHILDREN  
CAN ENTER**

**(ADULTS MAY  
ASSIST)**

**NO NUTS  
ALLOWED**

**(WE ARE A  
NUT FREE  
SCHOOL)**



**JUDGING WILL  
TAKE PLACE  
DURING THE  
DAY**

**DUDLEY'S  
STAR BAKER  
WILL BE  
CHOSEN  
ALONG WITH  
2 RUNNER UPS**

**TO ENTER - BRING YOUR CAKES AND REGISTER YOUR  
NAME AND CAKE TITLE WITH POD AT DROP OFF ON  
FRIDAY 5TH JULY**

**CAKES WILL BE ON SALE AT OUR SUMMER FAYRE**

CRAFTS

DUDLEY  
INFANT ACADEMY

SOAK A  
TEACHER

FACE  
PAINT

# Summer FAYRE

EVERYONE WELCOME

YUCKY  
DIP

TOY  
STALL

Saturday 6 July  
2024

1PM - 3PM

SPLASH  
ZONE

CAFE &  
CAKES

RAINBOW  
RAFFLE

GAMES



## Chat, offload and connect with our peer support volunteers:



- ▶ • WhatsApp Group Chat
- Bi weekly Zoom Groups
- One to One Phone Calls
- Dad Stay an Plays

***"We are local fathers with our own lived experience of the challenges & pressures fathers can face"***

To self-refer or find out more:  
use the QR code provided,  
Email [kevin.wishart@nct.org.uk](mailto:kevin.wishart@nct.org.uk),  
or text Kevin on 07707171709





# Dudley Safeguarding Officers



**Mr Maclean**

**Mrs Luke**

**Mrs Froude**



**Mrs Sankey**



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