

NEWS LETTER



Friday 6th December 2024



DUDLEY NEWS

DT CHRISTMAS ENTREPRENEUR WEEK AND MARKET

The children have had a wonderful week designing and making Christmas themed items for the entrepreneur market that took place today. We would like to thank all parents, carers and other family members who supported this event. It was a great success and totals raised for each class will be announced in due course.

CHRISTMAS JUMPER DAY

Thursday 12th December is national Christmas Jumper day. Children are invited to wear their Christmas jumpers to school on this day.



CHANGE TO DINNER MENU

There will be a change to the dinner menu on Thursday 19th December. The main option will be Fish fingers and chips and the vegetarian option will be Veggie Fingers and chips. This is different to the options on Parentpay. We will therefore be asking the children for their choice of dinner on this day once they are in class.

TIME TO DANCE

On Monday 10th February 2025, Dudley will be performing in a Time to Dance at the Whiterock Theatre. This will be a matinee performance at 2pm. If your child attends Zumba club on a Thursday and is involved in the show, please keep in mind that tickets will go on sale early in January. This is a big event in the town and tickets often sell out quickly, so do keep an eye on the Whiterock website from 1st January, as tickets are purchased directly and not via Dudley or Funk Fusion.

INSET DAY

A reminder that Friday 20th December is an inset day and the last day of term will be Thursday 19th December. Children return to school on Monday 6th January

PANTOMIME TIME

The children thoroughly enjoyed the pantomime today! Thank you once again to POD for funding this opportunity for all of the children at Dudley.



EYFS SETTLING IN SURVEY

A big thank you to parents for taking the time to complete our EYFS 'Settling in Survey'. We are always keen to find out if there is anything we can do to improve the children's experience of joining our academy, and your feedback really does help us to review our plans for next year. If you haven't yet had an opportunity to complete this, please do follow the link below.

Thank you.

<https://forms.office.com/e/izHAZfxEWR>

EYFS TRIP TO THE CHURCH

On Tuesday, children in Class Lion and Class Tiger visited St Mary Star of the Sea Church. The children have been learning about the nativity story and this was a great opportunity to enrich their RE curriculum. The children learnt about the different parts of the Church and finished the visit by singing some of their nativity songs. This was the first school trip for our EYFS children and we were incredibly proud of their behaviour. They most certainly upheld our Dudley values.



CHRISTMAS MARKET

Thank you for joining us at our annual Christmas Market.



VIOLIN PERFORMANCE

On Tuesday, we were treated to a performance from our very own talented Dudley musicians! The children showcased their talents on the keyboard and the violin and we were all incredibly impressed!

What a fantastic example of determination and resilience.



This week we heard the sad news of our friend Joan's passing. Over the past few years, we have had the pleasure of visiting the residents of Old Hastings House. Joan always had so many fascinating stories, particularly of her time as a Headmistress. In September, Joan listened to Bohdi read and he was amazed at their 102 year age gap!

She really was a truly remarkable lady and we were very lucky to have met her.



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DUDLEY DIARY DATES

19th Dec - Last day of term for children

20th Dec - INSET DAY

21st Dec - 5th Jan Christmas Holiday

6th Jan - Start of Term 3

10th Feb - Time to Dance performance 2pm

Christmas dates on separate page of the newsletter.



Dear Parents and Carers,

It has been another very busy week here at Dudley. We've had a Christmas Market, a Science Day, pantomime and a trip to the Church to name just a few! Thank you for joining us this afternoon and supporting the children who have worked so hard to design and make their Christmas gifts.

We look forward to the first of our nativities next week!

Have a great weekend,
Mr Maclean & Mrs Luke





Christmas Diary

Tuesday 10th December - Members of Y2 singing Carols at Old Hastings House

Tuesday 10th December at 9.30am - EYFS Nativity Class Tiger

Wednesday 11th December at 9.30am - EYFS Nativity Class Lion

Thursday 12th December - Christmas Jumper day

Monday 16th December at 9.30am - Year 1 Nativity class Wolf

Monday 16th December at 2 pm - Year 1 Nativity class Panda

Tuesday 17th December at 5.30 pm - Year 2 Carols by Candlelight

Wednesday 18th December - Christmas dinner day (and Christmas Jumpers)

Wednesday 18th December - Class Christmas parties



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