NEWSLETTER



Friday 2nd May 2025

DUDLEY NEWS

WELCOME TO TERM 5

Welcome back to a new term at Dudley, we hope you all had a good Easter break. It's only the end of week 2 and the children have already produced some fantastic work which we look forward to sharing with you in our upcoming academy newsletters.

SHELL OUT FOR DUDLEY - POD FUNDRAISER

At the end of last term the children were given an empty plastic Easter Egg as part of the fund raising event, Shell Out for Dudley. A big thank you for supporting this and well done to the children who thought of some creative and kind ways to raise money, including Elijah who undertook a litter pick and Roman, who was commissioned to create a Space themed picture! A staggering £997.40 was raised, with Class Wolf raising £310! The money will go towards providing exciting enrichment activities for all of the children at Dudley, so thank you all.





VE DAY PICNIC LUNCH - 8th MAY

We are looking forward to celebrating the anniversary of VE Day on Thursday 8th May. As you know, the kitchen is providing a picnic lunch for us to eat outside together as a street party theme. If your child has a picnic blanket at home, this can be brought in for children to sit on in the playground. We would also like to invite everyone to come to school dressed in red, white and blue on the day to truly get into the spirit of the occasion. We have lots of activities planned and feel sure the day will provide lasting memories for the children of this important event in our history.

COOKING EQUIPMENT

Please could we politely ask that if anyone has any unwanted cooking utensils at home (e.g. chopping boards, plastic mixing bowls, wooden spoons etc.) these would be gratefully received here at Dudley. A big thank you in advance.

SHORE ACADEMY

Over the next two terms, EYFS will be participating in weekly Shore Academy sessions. They will have the opportunity to undertake a variety of learning activities, focusing on developing an understanding of the beach, marine life and how we can respect and look after it. We look forward to learning about their exciting adventures each week.

RAINFOREST WORKSHOP

On Monday, Year 2 thoroughly enjoyed a Rainforest workshop delivered here at Dudley, a great opportunity to enrich their curriculum and deepen the children's knowledge of the rainforest. Andrew Smith, a Rainforest expert, took the children into an imaginary fieldtrip. He first equipped the expedition with what they would need as scientists, and then introduced them to the rainforest itself. The children were able to explore the forest and meet the animals found in specific micro habitats including rainforest rivers, the forest floor and then finally the canopy. Thank you to Mrs Higginson for organising this exciting visit.

YEAR 2 RAINFOREST WORKSHOP



GOLD AWARDS

WELL DONE TO OUR GOLD AWARD WINNERS THIS WEEK.



ADVENTURE BEAR

This term, we introduced the children to Adventure Bear! A big thank you to our School Council who came up with this great idea and raised money to buy the bears by organising a school colouring competition. Adventure Bear will go home with different children from the class, along with his Travel Journal. Children can write or draw a picture of the places that they have visited at the weekend - this can be places in our local area (the beach, the park etc.) or perhaps Adventure Bear has been taken on a journey a little further away! Wherever it may be, we look forward to hearing all about it! A great opportunity to enrich our Geography curriculum.

SAFEGUARDING CONTACT INFORMATION

Designated Safeguarding team (for Dudley

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DUDLEY DIARY DATES

Thursday 8th May - VE day picnic lunch

Thursday 8th May & Friday 9th May - Tiger Class

Parent Consultations

Monday 12th May - Chick Eggs delivered to Dudley!

Tuesday 13th May - EYFS visit to Rare Breeds Centre

Friday 23rd May - End of Term 5

Monday 2nd June - Start of Term 6

More Term 5 dates and exciting POD events to follow soon...



Dear Parents and Carers,

It has been a great start to Term 5 and the children have returned with such a positive and determined attitude. We look forward to seeing the wonderful work that the children produce this term and celebrating their achievements with you in future newsletters.

Have a lovely weekend. Mr Maclean, Mrs Luke & The Dudley Team



POD would like to say a huge

THANK YOU

for all your amazing fund raising eggs!!!
We are so impressed with how much the children were able to
donate and the creative ways in which the money was raised!

We can announce that the grand total raised for POD is ...

£997.40!!!!

The class who raised the most is ... CLASS WOLF with an IMPRESSIVE...

£310.94 !!!

A big well done to you all!

You all win an Extra Playtime and Ice Lollies!!!

POD would also like to give special mentions to the following children ...

Charlie Burgess-Ovenden in Lion Class who raised his money by helping with washing, cleaning & gardening with his family!

Phoenix Spooner in Panda Class who worked hard washing cars, chores around the house, dog walking and showing kindness!

Roman Friend in Wolf Class who walked the dog, read, sold art work and exercised.

Taylor-Jade Faulkner in Turtle Class who sold beautiful artwork.

Lilly-Rose Oliver in Wolf Class who helped with jobs and went to bed really well.

Dexter in Lion Class who did a Gymnastics Show.

Ada Hughes in Panda Class did a sponsored silence and chores.

Ivy & Dexter in Turtle Class who sold cakes on their very own stall.

Dylan Swan in Rhino Class for working shifts in his family business.

Elijah Jones in Turtle Class for Litter Picking in a local woodland.

Cassie in Lion Class for raising the most from her class (We'd love to know how you raised such a fantastic amount)

Ada Jones in Tiger Class who helped with washing up, hoovering and even back rubs for Dad!

Ralph Batchelor in Tiger Class who litter picked in his local neighbourhood!

Ida Ibanez-Penney from Rhino Class who sold her own paintings!

Felix in Class Wolf who helped with gardening with his Grandparents

River in Class Wolf who sold his very own paintings!

Dudley Safeguarding Officers





Mr Maclean Mrs Luke Mrs Froude





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