

Friday 26th September 2025

DUDLEY NEWS



APPLYING FOR A JUNIOR SCHOOL PLACE

Although we have only just returned it is now time for Year 2 parents to apply for a junior school place for their child. Please visit the ESCC website and click on Apply for a school place. This will take you through to start the process for applying. All applications must be made by 15th January 2026.

HARVEST FESTIVAL

On Monday 6th October, we will hold our annual Harvest Festival assembly with the children and discuss the meaning behind the celebration. Once again, we would love to be able to support our local food bank and politely ask for any donations of non-perishable items. These can be brought in to school on Monday 6th October and all items donated will be collected by the local foodbank, organised by the Salvation Army. The following items are urgently needed:

- UHT MILK FULL FAT (BLUE) AND SEMI (GREEN)
- TINNED MEAT (BUT NOT CORNED BEEF OR PORK)
- TINNED VEGETABLES (ESPECIALLY PEAS AND CARROTS)
- TINNED FRUIT
- TINNED SPAGHETTI IN SAUCE
- TOILETRIES
- TOILET ROLLS
- FRUIT JUICE



Thank you for your kindness and support.

SCHOOL UNIFORM PLEA

We have had a number of parents and carers share with us that named jumpers and cardigans have already gone missing this term. Please could we ask that you take a second just to check that your child has definitely brought home the correct uniform. Thank you.

INDIVIDUAL CHILDRENS PHOTOS

On Tuesday 30th September, Van Cols will be coming into school to take individual photos of the children. Please can you ensure, if possible, that your child is wearing their academy jumper or cardigan and full uniform on this day. Thank you.

FIVE STAR RATING

Last week, Fireflies wraparound club received a visit from East Sussex County Council and we are delighted to share that they received a 5 star rating for food safety and hygiene. We would like to take this opportunity to say a big well done to the team.



GOLD AWARDS & CELEBRATIONS

A big well done to our Gold Award winners this week. We are very proud of you all!



LOCAL FUNDRAISER

On Saturday 4th October, The Dolphin pub are holding a fundraising day for Scarlett, a pupil who used to attend Dudley. Scarlett was diagnosed with a brain AVM (Arteriovenous Malformation) and is still bravely undergoing treatment. As part of the fundraising day to support Scarlett's rehabilitation and raise funds for Ronald McDonald House Charities, a raffle has been organised - you can take a look at the prizes in the poster attached to today's newsletter.

To purchase tickets, you can visit

<https://app.galabid.com/scarletts-avm-rehab/items/e963af84-745f-42d8-a69d-d977345e9781>

SAFEGUARDING CONTACT INFORMATION

Designated Safeguarding team (for Dudley
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DUDLEY DIARY DATES

30th Sept - Individual children's photos

1st Oct - Year 2 local area walk (pm)

14th Oct - 1066 Day at Dudley

Tuesday 20th Oct - Parent Consultations

Thursday 23rd Oct - Parent Consultations

23rd Oct - Last day of term

24th Oct - INSET DAY

27th Oct - 31st Oct - HALF TERM HOLIDAY

Monday 3rd Nov - INSET DAY

Tuesday 4th Nov - Start of Term 2



Dear Parents and Carers,

It has been another busy week here at Dudley and the children continue to impress us with the wonderful work they produce each day. There is a lovely community spirit amongst the children which ensures that Dudley is a great place to learn.

Thank you for your continued support and enjoy the weekend.

Mr Maclean & Mrs Luke

COME AND MEET



PARENTS OF DUDLEY

DUDLEY'S PTA!

We are a registered charity run by a small group of volunteers that work with the school to fundraise and host events throughout the year to benefit all the children at Dudley.

If you would like to find out more about what we do, and discuss any time or skills (big or small) you can donate to help your school community, we'd love you to join us on

**Friday 3rd October,
9am**

(Meet in the playground after drop-off, even if you can't stay, come and say hi!)

**Drinks & biscuits provided and little ones are also welcome.
We look forward to seeing you!**

Dudley Safeguarding Officers



Mr Maclean



Mrs Luke



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Ms Durban

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