

NEWSLETTER

Friday 10th October 2025



DUDLEY NEWS

HARVEST FESTIVAL THANK YOU

Once again, we would like to say thank you to everyone who sent in donations for our Harvest Festival appeal on Monday. The Salvation Army asked if we would pass on a very big thank you to you all. They were truly overwhelmed by your kindness and generosity and wanted you all to know that you have made a big difference to many local families.



INSET DAYS

A reminder that we have two inset days coming up on Friday 24th October and Monday 3rd November. Our last day of Term 1 will be Thursday 23rd October.

PARENT CONSULTATIONS

A reminder that parent consultations will take place after school on Monday 20th and Thursday 23rd October. Appointments are 10 minutes long and provide a valuable opportunity for you to meet your child's new class teacher. Sign up sheets will be available in the playground from Monday 13th October - these will be placed outside, both before and after school.

CELEBRATING ACHIEVEMENTS

This term, our focus in PSHE is, 'Being Me in my World'. Here at Dudley, we think it is important to celebrate the children's achievements and interests outside of school too and find out what's special about their world. Perhaps your child has participated in a sporting event, baked a cake, learnt to ride a bike - whatever it may be, we would love to hear about it. One fantastic example is Wylder in Class Lion, who showed great determination after climbing very high at Clip n Climb! Please do share your photographs with us via our academy office email address and we will feature them in an upcoming newsletter.



BLACK HISTORY MONTH 2025

As we enter Black History Month 2025, this year's theme of "Standing Firm in Power and Pride", provides an opportunity to celebrate the resilience and contributions of the Black community globally. Here at Dudley, the children will learn stories about true black heroes, their contributions to society, and their achievements in the UK and around the world. Perhaps there's a hero that your child would like to celebrate with us, or maybe a book that they would like to share in class or a famous black musician? If so, children may share their stories, books or photos with the class. On Wednesday 22nd October, Dudley will have our first enhanced art day, during which the children will look at the work of the famous African-American artist, Jean -Michael Basquiat, an American artist born in the 60's who was influential in an anti-apartheid charity. We look forward to sharing the children's work with you later on in the term.



GOLD AWARDS & CELEBRATIONS

A big WELL DONE to our Gold Award winners this week and to Lily who was awarded the Politeness Medal.



DUDLEY POLLING STATION

Over the next few days, the children will be voting for their School Council members. Candidates have put forward their reasons for being elected and the Polling Station is now open!



SAFEGUARDING CONTACT INFORMATION

Designated Safeguarding team (for Dudley
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DUDLEY DIARY DATES

Tuesday 14th Oct - 1066 Day at Dudley
Monday 20th Oct - Parent Consultations
Thursday 23rd Oct - Parent Consultations
Wednesday 22nd Oct - Art Day at Dudley
Thursday 23rd Oct - Art Workshop Year 2 (in school)
Thursday 23rd Oct - Last day of term - MUFTI DAY
(POD event, more information to follow)
Friday 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,

This week at Dudley, we have been focusing on two of our academy's Personal Development Awards, Resilience and Determination. We continue to be incredibly proud of them and the positive attitudes that they show when facing a challenge, both at school and at home.

We hope you have a good weekend

Mr Maclean, Mrs Luke & The Dudley Team

Dudley Safeguarding Officers



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