

Newsletter

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Our head & deputy boys & girls wanted to share some thoughts with you...



Being elected was amazing and it was an honour we will never forget. We are proud to be a part of such a great team.

Both head girl and head boy have represented the school during a rugby tournament where we were proud of all team mates for their sportsmanship. We have all made an effort to be the best role models for the rest of the school.

We are looking forward to doing the tannoy and decorating the Christmas tree in the office as well as opening and closing the Christmas production. Taking on responsibility is something that we are all looking forward too.



Amber - Head girl

Jack - Head boy

Emily - Deputy head girl

David - Deputy head boy



Household support fund - help with cost of living during the winter time

This scheme is to help if you are struggling to pay your bills due to the cost of living increases. It is a one off payment made to eligible households in Dudley Borough. To apply, you will need to meet certain criteria and complete an application form.



Who can apply



You can make an application if you live in the Dudley Borough and:

- You are the only adult in the household and your gross income, including wages and any other income (for example, pensions and all benefits), is less than £35,000 per year and your savings are less than £6000.
Or
- You are a multi person household (this includes your partner, children or and anyone else that lives with you) and your joint gross income, including wages and any other income (for example pensions and all benefits), are less than £45,000 per year and your savings are less than £6000.

You will also need to tell us why you are struggling to pay your bills. People who are eligible will receive a minimum one off payment of £150.

How to apply

Once you have logged in to apply for the household support fund, you can either search through a drop-down list for Dudley Council or input a 'quick code' to take you directly through to our application form. The code for Dudley's household support Fund is 425BNP.

Online applications can be completed via the link <https://grantapproval.co.uk/> full details are available on the Dudley Council [Website https://www.dudley.gov.uk/council-community/cost-of-living/household-support-fund/](https://www.dudley.gov.uk/council-community/cost-of-living/household-support-fund/)

Take a look at our exciting Christmas calendar!

<u>Friday 2nd December</u>	Children are invited to wear their own clothes as a thank you for donating to the Christmas fair! Please see the table below to be advised what we have nominated for each year group to bring!
<u>Monday 5th December</u>	Year 1 & 2 Christmas crafts Year 1: 2pm - 3:30pm Year 2: 9am - 10:30am
<u>Wednesday 7th December</u>	Reception nativity—tickets are available to purchase from the front office at 50p each. There are 2 showings: 9:30 & 2pm.
<u>Thursday 8th December</u>	Brook Christmas market 4—6pm. Tickets are available to purchase on ParentPay at 50p per person & under 3's are free!
<u>Friday 9th December:</u>	Butterflies Christmas story: 9:30am
<u>Monday 12th December: 2pm</u>	KS2 Christmas Carol Service at Wordsley Church. Tickets available from the main Reception from Monday. Cash payments only of £1. 2 tickets per family.
<u>Wednesday 14th December</u>	Christmas Dinner day—Book via ParentPay Christmas jumper day— £1 donation on ParentPay
<u>Thursday 15th December</u>	Mary Stevens Reindeer Run
<u>Friday 16th December</u>	Christmas parties! Break up for the Christmas holidays!



Christmas dinner day is Wednesday 14th December - today is the last day to pre-order vis Parent Pay! Unfortunately we cannot accommodate for any late orders.

Extra tickets for the Reception nativity will go on sale when the school office opens at **8:30am Monday morning.**

Extra tickets for the KS2 church performance will go on sale when the school office opens at **8:30am Friday 9th December.**



[More information about the Christmas market!](#)



Families will enter from the main playground gates and stalls will be on the bottom path around to the hall and in the 2HD classroom!



The food order point will be positioned outside the side kitchen door.



The grotto will be in the learning mentor room!



Carols will be performed in the hall at the following times:



Year 1 - 4:30pm
Year 2 - 4:45pm
Young Voices - 5pm

Tickets will be available to purchase on the gate so don't worry if you haven't purchased them yet!

Spelling Shed

Well done to the top spellers in each class for the past 7 days!

The top class of the week is... 4LF

Well done!

1ZH	Seth
1CR	Patrick
2HD	Dylan
2EB	Iwan
3WH	James
3RT	Eli
4AC	Samuel
4LF	Isaac
5C	Francesca
5HI	Amelia
6HT	Mieszko
6AH	David

We would like to thank everyone who bought any of the poppy merchandise over the past few weeks and donated to the poppy appeal.

We received our certificate this week and we are so proud to say that we raised a huge £359.19!

Well done and thank you for your continued support.



Twelve of our year 5 and 6 children competed in an athletics competition held at Ellowes Hall Sports College.

They competed against 11 other schools and really did our school proud. They competed in sprints, relays, long jump, speed bounce, javelin and throwing competitions and some of our children made it through to the finals of their events.

They all demonstrated great sportsmanship and encouragement for our team and had a fantastic morning.

Well done!



Attendance %
w/c 21/11/2022

6HT were the highest attendees in KS2 and 1ZH were the highest in KS1.

Well Done!

Rec SD	94.64%
Rec H/W	95.86%
1CR	98.33%
1ZH	99.33%
2EB	94%
2HD	96%
3RT	90.40%
3W/H	93.75%
4AC	91.33%
4LF	93%
5C	94.67%
5HI	90.67%
6AH	92.67%
6HT	98.33%
School Total	94.88%
Target	96+%

Brook Buddies

Brook Buddies runs every morning and evening. Why not join us for breakfast or some after school fun? Our session times & prices are below:

Breakfast club:

8:00am-8:45am - £3.50

Afterschool club:

Half session 3:20pm-4:45pm - £5.25

Full session 3:20pm-5:45pm - £8.00

All bookings must be made by Thursday of the week before you require childcare.

Please note: (Summary from Brook School policy)

Parents should collect their child promptly at the end of a session otherwise you will be charged a fee of **£10.00** to cover staff costs if they are **more than 10 minutes late**. If this situation arises more than three times in one term, their child's place at Brook Buddies may be forfeited!

Buddies parents please note:

If you need an emergency place—this needs be paid on Parent Pay no later than 3pm.

Advanced notice of closure:

Thursday 8th December due to our Brook Christmas Market

Friday 16th December - Closing at 4:45pm

