



# Newsletter

14th December, 2018

## Reminders

- If your child has a problem at school then please encourage them to tell us during the school day so we can help them **solve it**.
- Please ensure your children are wearing **black school shoes** and not trainers.
- **No football cards** in school please. This is distracting pupils from their learning.
- Please make sure your child has a **school bag** which includes their school planner and a water bottle.

## Christmas Activities and Events in Dudley

Please see the Dudley website for Christmas activities in the borough. You can then search for events in your area or for further info about where Santa will be over the holidays.  
<http://fis.dudley.gov.uk/fsd/>

## Reception Places for September

Any children born between 01.09.14 and 31.08.15 need to have an application for their school place to start in September. Parents can apply online at [www.dudley.gov.uk/admissions](http://www.dudley.gov.uk/admissions) or they can phone 0300 555 2345 for a paper form.

**School Meals: £2.30**

**Drinks: Milk—free Water—free**

**Snack Trolley  
Toast—26p per round**

## Tinsel Time!

Thank you to all parents who visited the Christmas fayre and joined us for our school carol service. Over £300 was raised by the PTA at the fayre and we hope you had a super time. The PTA raffle prize winners have been notified. The winner of the Christmas table centre decoration was Mia in Y2. Well done Mia who won a chocolate selection box. The winner of the PTA guess the jelly beans was Sophie so she won the jelly beans!

The Guess the Number Competition for the hampers, will be drawn on Tuesday during Mrs Walker's assembly so good luck!

## Competitions

Our school values are Honesty, Attitude, Respect, Resilience and Kindness as written by and agreed with the whole school community. We have asked pupils to design a logo / acrostic / picture to represent these values and help us remember them. The winner will receive a voucher and will have the opportunity to paint the design on to a wall in the dining hall. Pupils need to submit their design to Mrs Keen by Friday next week.

On Friday, Dudley Catering Services will be giving all children who have had a school dinner, a chocolate biscuit bar to take home with them as a little present before Xmas. This isn't to be eaten at the time and desserts will be served as normal.

## Kindness Award

Inline with one of our school values, kindness, anti-bullying ambassadors chose children each week who they have spotted for their kindness. The following children have been acknowledged in assembly for their kindness this week:

Alexia  
Elizabeth  
Skye  
Shylar  
Charlotte  
Markuss

Well done!

## Safeguarding

We all have a responsibility for the welfare of our children. If something concerns you about the welfare of a child within school then please contact the class teacher in the first instance who will refer to the Schools Designated Safeguarding Leads within school. If you have concerns which **are not** school based you can: Call the children's services referral and advice service on **0300 555 0050** during office hours (9am - 5pm). Out of office hours contact the Emergency Duty Team on **0300 555 8574** or **in an emergency call 999**. Alternatively you can call ChildLine on **0800 1111** or email them by visiting [www.childline.org.uk](http://www.childline.org.uk)



### Vacancy

We have a vacancy for a school cleaner that will be advertised on WM Jobs after Xmas ([www.wmjobs.co.uk](http://www.wmjobs.co.uk)) 3.15-5.30pm Monday to Thursday and 3.35-5.15pm on a Friday. 11 hours per week.

### Lockdown Practice

We will be having a lockdown practice in school before Christmas. This will be a practice so that the children know how to keep themselves safe in the event of danger. We will talk through what would happen if it was real.

### Attendance

#### **3rd—7th December**

Attendance needs to be 100%!  
1st Place—Mrs Weaver's class with 99% - Well done  
Whole school attendance - 95%

#### **New WEEKLY attendance award**

Children who have attended school for the whole week will be entered into a weekly draw to win a prize.

**This week's winner was Lydia in Y6!**

**GET FIT WITH FOOTBALL**  
**G F W F**

#### **Kids Football Coaching Play, Learn Achieve.**

Time: 09:30am Every Saturday Morning.  
From 5 - 17 Years Old.

### Stars of the Week!

Mrs Fryer / Mrs Jones' Class— Jimmy  
Miss Davis' Class— Isaac  
Miss Williams' Class— Millie  
Mrs Westwood's Class— Liam  
Mrs Weaver's Class— Maisie  
Mrs Johal's Class— Grace  
Mrs Walker and Mrs Johnson's Class— Hayley  
Mrs Hull's Class— Ellie  
Mr Russell's Class— Logan

Well done to all our stars of the week!

### House Points

Roses— 186

Well done  
Roses!



### INSET Days 2018-2019

25th February  
22nd July  
Childcare available on  
February date

#### Polling Day 2019

2nd May 2019—school  
closed

### Parent Workshops

We asked what parents would like to focus on in their next parent workshop and you said that you wanted a workshop on how you can help your child with English and Maths. We have listened and this is being booked currently. Further info to follow.

### 2018-2019 Diary Dates

An annual calendar will be sent out shortly but key dates are as follows:

18th December EYFS Nativity 10am  
19th December EYFS Nativity 2pm  
19th December—Mrs Weaver's Class  
Assembly and Xmas Carols at Nursing Home  
20th December—After school club carol  
service 5pm  
21st December—Early Years Santa visit,  
100% attendance assembly and break up from  
school!

### KS2 Sports Coaches and PE

KS2 pupils are completing gymnastic units in PE at the moment and it is fine for pupils to wear pumps or bare feet. Trainers and tights / socks without pumps are not allowed due to health and safety reasons.

I would like to reassure all parents that sports coaches are managed and supported during their time at Hurst Hill.

### After School Club

We have places in our after school club with Mrs Williams. Costs are £7 per session, until 6pm and 5.30pm on a Friday. We also offer flexi places / last minute cover so you don't have to book for a whole term or year. If you are interested, please contact the school office.

### Advertising

If you would like to advertise on our school newsletter then please contact the office team. It is only £3 per week and is a great way to inform the local community

Email us at [info@hurst-hill.dudley.sch.uk](mailto:info@hurst-hill.dudley.sch.uk)  
[www.hursthillprimaryschool.com](http://www.hursthillprimaryschool.com) Tel:  
01384 818845

### Twitter

Follow us on Twitter!  
@HurstHillTweets

We have the school account up and running again so follow us to keep up to date and see what we have been up to!