



# NEWSLETTER

May 2025



Dear Parents & Carers

I hope you have all enjoyed your Easter break, revelling in the sunshine. Lets hope the sunny weather continues into the new school term.

It has been a busy Spring term with lots going on, both in school and off site.

EYFS had a very exciting visit from the fire service with their fire engine in tow, as well as a Road Safety workshop. KS1 went to the Black Country Museum, Y2 took a trip to Pasford Farm and Y3 to Tanglewood Farm. Y5 visited Safeside, run by West Midlands Fire Service, KS2 went along to Amblecote Community Church and Maple Tree to Bodenham Arboretum.

All were extremely well behaved and had a great time.

In addition to the curriculum visits, our pupils took part in various competitions including a Y5/6 Cross Country event and KS2 Gymnastics Competition. Our girls football team played their first competitive match and won, and the choir also took part in the Festival of Song at Dudley Town Hall.

The Book Fayre came to school, raising over £400 worth of very welcome reading resources for our students.

EYFS and KS1 participated in the annual Easter bonnet parades; we were impressed by the creativity and hard work that went into each bonnet.

KS2 went on an Easter Egg Hunt; thank you to the wonderful members of our PTA for all their efforts in organising this event as well as arranging the Mothers Day gifts for all pupils, your are very much appreciated!

We had a fantastic Art Project orchestrated by two wonderful volunteers from 'Powered by Can'. Individual pieces of art by Y5 were displayed at Oakfield Community Centre and the 'piece de resistance' was the spray painted wall in Hawbush Park.

As we start the last term of the current school year we have an exciting line up of events to look forward to.

Bookings so far, a Y4 trip to Tamworth Castle , as well an Egyptian Workshop by the amazing Professor McGinty in school for Y3. Other year group visits are yet to be booked, but we will keep you informed when they have been.

Y6 SATS exams will commence on Monday 12th May. All Y6 pupils can come to Breakfast Club for free; this is so that pupils arrive in plenty of time, are able to chill with their friends and prepare for the upcoming tests. Please don't stress over the exams, all we can ask is that children do their best. Good luck everyone!

Parents of Y6 pupils have arranged a special Leavers Prom for our Year 6 pupils. I am sure this will be an unforgettable evening for all!

Finally, just a reminder we are closed on Bank Holiday Monday 5th May.

Thank you as always for your continued support.

Best Wishes  
Mrs Anderson

Outstanding

Excellence

Impactful

Effective

# DATES FOR THE DIARY

## ***May***

2nd	Reception Vision Screening
5th	School Closed for May Day Bank Holiday
9th	Year 4 visit to Tamworth Castle
12-15th	Year 6 SATS
14th	Year 3 Egyptian Workshop in school
21st	Y5 Puberty Workshop
22nd	Years 2/3 Carbon Monoxide Workshop
23rd	Year 6 Road Safety Training
26th-30th	School closed for Half Term

## ***June***

2nd	Children return to school
3rd	Years 5/6 Carbon Monoxide Workshop
17th	Year 6 Puberty & Relationships Workshop

## ***July***

17th	Year 6 Prom (Ashwood Public House 6:00pm-10:00pm)
18th	School closes for Summer Holidays



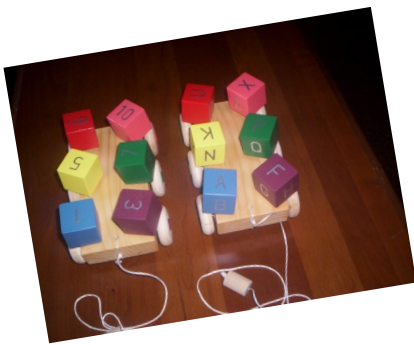
## Arbor is the way to go!

At Hawbush Primary School, we are now using Arbor.

This is a great tool for everyone, as it allows parents to book and pay for school lunches, breakfast club and school trips /activities.

It is full of important information about your child and allows the school to contact you via email or in-app messages.

Unfortunately we no longer have the facility to send text messages so this service is vital for communication between parents and school.



## NURSERY

If you are interested in a nursery place for your child, please come and see the friendly staff in the office, who will give you all the relevant information to get your child started on their educational journey.

## BREAKFAST CLUB

Breakfast club is a great opportunity for your child to spend some time with their friends whilst having breakfast and prepare for the forthcoming school day. The club starts at 8:00am and finishes at 8:30am in time for registration.

**The cost is only £1 per day.**





# Attendance & Punctuality

Attendance is very important here at Hawbush Primary.

It is important to make sure your child is absent only when they are legitimately ill and where possible, could doctors, dentists and any other appointments be made outside of the school day.

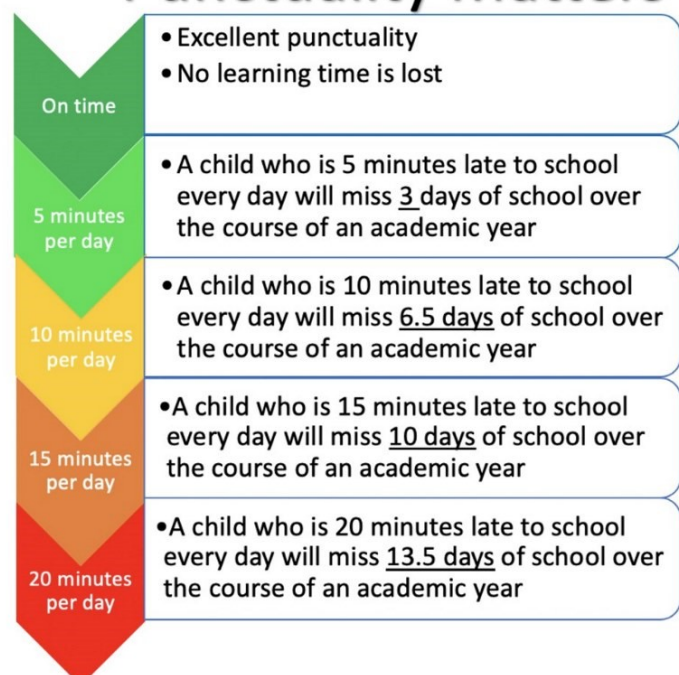
<b>97% and above</b>	<p><b>Less than 6 days absence a year – Less than 30 hours of learning lost</b></p> <p>Excellent attendance. Your child is giving his/herself the best chance of achieving their full potential at school.</p>
<b>95%</b>	<p><b>10 days absence a year – 50 hours of learning lost</b></p> <p>Your child may start to find it difficult to maintain their target levels/grades. Pupils who take a 2 week holiday every year can only achieve 95% attendance.</p>
<b>93%</b>	<p><b>13 days absence a year – 70 hours of learning lost</b></p> <p>Missing this much time is putting your child in an unfair position when it comes to achieving their potential.</p>
<b>90% and below</b>	<p><b>19 days absence – 95 hours of learning lost</b></p> <p>Your child is now classified by the Government as “Persistently Absent”. Missing so much time means it will almost be impossible for your child to learn effectively. Parents of young people in this group could also face the possibility of legal action being taken by the LEA, including the issuing of Penalty Notices and Fines.</p>

## Punctuality Matters

Good punctuality at school is essential for students to achieve their full educational potential.

It is also vital for students to form good habits for later life.

Punctuality records form part of references passed onto employers or higher educational institutes.



# UNIFORM

School uniform can be purchased directly from Totally Uniform, by visiting their website at [totallyuniform.co.uk](http://totallyuniform.co.uk) or by visiting one of their stores.

## **KINGSWINFORD STORE:**

**Address:** 806 High St, Kingswinford DY6 8AB

## **STOURBRIDGE STORE:**

**Address:** 94-98 Hagley Road, Oldswinford DY8 1QU

### Opening Hours:

**Monday - Friday:** 9:30am - 5:00pm

**Saturday:** 9:00am - 3:00pm



White Polo Shirt  
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Royal Blue Sweatshirt  
with school logo  
from £9.95



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with school logo  
from £10.95



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with school logo  
from £6.00



Shadow Stripe  
PE Shorts (Black)  
from £5.00

### **Other items available:**

Grey Skirt, Grey Pinafore, Girls Grey Trousers,  
Boys Grey Trousers, Boys Grey Shorts, Girls Black Cycle Shorts,  
PE Bag, Book Bag, Socks, Grey Tights,  
Iron On/Sew-On Name Tags, Hair Accessories Set.

## HAWBUSH GIRLS FOOTBALL TEAM



Our girls team played their first competitive match on Monday 31st March at Dudley Sports. The children won 3-1 against a very good side.

An early goal from Nancy set the tone for the rest of the match. Nancy got another goal from the strikers position in the first half with Connie getting a goal in the second half when she played upfront.

Sophie was an engine in the middle of midfield and did not stop running.

Player of the Match was Bobbi whose hard work at training paid off when she played in a defensive position.

Neveah made some excellent saves in goal and everyone can see why she plays at such a high level.

Well done to Poppy, Brianna, Alisha and Ruby who played in their first competitive game and persevered throughout the whole match.

**Well done girls!**



World Book day was a roaring success. The children all looked amazing dressed up as their favourite story book character or in their pyjamas ready for storytime. Thank you to parents for supporting this event. Well done everyone!

Exciting news, Roxy from Amblecote Community Church is having a baby. The church supports many of our children and their families, including group meetings, providing Christmas hampers for the needy and much more. We wish her well in welcoming her new bundle of joy.





## Year 6 Leavers Hoodies

Leavers Hoodies are now available to pre-order from Totally Uniform.

Various colours to choose from at a cost of £18.95.

For further information and to pre-order, please visit [www.totallyuniform.co.uk](http://www.totallyuniform.co.uk)



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# LEARNING4LIFE SWIM SCHOOL

The Wordsley School, Brierley Hill Road,  
Wordsley, DY8 5SP

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[Learning4Life@dudley.gov.uk](mailto:Learning4Life@dudley.gov.uk)

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## Minority Instrument Project

There is an amazing opportunity for KS2 pupils to learn minority instruments. These are instruments that are not played as much in an orchestra and it would be great to see them in action.

These include cello, double bass, oboe, bassoon, euphonium and tuba. All of these instruments sound fantastic.

There will be a beginner group starting for 9 weeks, running on a Monday or Tuesday at the music base, which is at Cable Plaza on the Waterfront Merry Hill. Each lesson will last about 25 minutes and the children will be supplied with an instrument, which they can take home to practice.

The sessions will take place on the days and times below starting the week beginning 28th April.

### **Monday 4:30pm-4:55pm and 5:00pm-5:25pm**

- Strings- Cello and Double Bass

### **Tuesday 5:00pm-5:25pm and 5:30pm-5:55pm**

- Wind- Bassoon or Oboe

### **Tuesday 4:30pm-4:55pm and 5:00pm-5:30pm**

- Brass- Euphonium or Tuba

Once the project has finished, children will have the opportunity to continue with their music lessons and sign up to pay from September 2025.

The charges can be found on the website:

<https://www.dudley.gov.uk/things-to-do/dudley-performing-arts/>

# Castle and Priory Neighbourhood Learning Centre



- Details:** Preparing to Work in Floristry -Summer Festivals  
**Date:** Thursday 1<sup>st</sup> May -10<sup>th</sup> July 2025 (excl. 22<sup>nd</sup>/29<sup>th</sup> May)  
**Time:** 10am -12noon  
**Venue:** Castle & Priory Neighbourhood Learning Centre  
**Cost:** Tuition is free -You will need to provide your own flowers and sundries  
**Contact:** 01384 818143 or email: [acl@dudley.gov.uk](mailto:acl@dudley.gov.uk) for details

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