# **Colley Lane Primary Academy**

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Newsletter - 27th May 2022



Dear Parents,

The end of a very short but busy half-term is here and the children have worked incredibly hard. We are very proud of their achievements in particular Year 2 and Year 6 for showing resilience and determination with their SATs. Today we have had a fantastic time celebrating the Queen's Jubilee, partying on the field and sharing a picnic with friends! I hope the photos give a flavour of the day.





Have a wonderful Half-term and enjoy the extra bank holiday. School reopens on Monday 6th June at 8:40am.

Kind regards Mr Dominic Simpson Headteacher

**Colley Lane Primary Academy** 

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Key Dates	<u>Reminders</u>			
<ul> <li>Monday 30th May - Friday 3rd June - Summer Half Term</li> </ul>	<u>School start and finish times</u> Start time - All years - Doors open at 8.40am, school starts at 8.55am			
<ul> <li>Monday 6th - Wednesday 8th June - Year 6 PGL Residential Trip</li> </ul>	Finish time -Reception and KS1 - 3.05pm. All KS2 - 3.15pm			
<ul> <li>Monday 13th June - Year 4 Think Tank Museum Trip</li> </ul>	<u>Medicines</u> If you have brought medicine into school for your child and they longer require it or if it has passed the duration			
Thursday 15th June - Year 5 ArtsMark Trip	you requested on the medical form, can you please collect it from the school office.			
<ul> <li>Friday 17th June Nursery Reception and Year 6 Photos</li> </ul>	<u>School Trips</u> If your child has a trip coming up, can you please			
<ul> <li>Thursday 23rd June - Dance 'Frozen' Theatre Trip to London</li> </ul>	ensure that you give consent and make any payments on ParentMail before the given deadline.			
<ul> <li>Monday 27th June - INSET Day - School Closed</li> </ul>	<u>Tuck Money - KS2 Please note there has been a slight</u> price increase.			
<ul> <li>Tuesday 28th June - Year 1 Sycamore Adventure Centre Trip</li> </ul>	Can parents please check their ParentMail account to make sure there is money if they would like their child to have tuck at break time. Please note that this also			
<ul> <li>Friday 1st July - Year 6 Drayton Manor Trip</li> </ul>	applies to families who receive free school meals. Items are 40p each, other than the Milkshakes which are 45p.			
<ul> <li>Last day Thursday 21st July closing at 1pm Nursery open for morning session only</li> </ul>	<u>Names in Coats</u> Can we remind all parents / carers to make sure			
<ul> <li>Friday 22nd July - Tuesday 6th September - Summer Holidays</li> <li>Wednesday 7th September - Children return to school</li> </ul>	children bring a coat to school with their name on. We do still have limited coats available to buy from the school office for just £5.			
5555	<u>Uniform</u> Please can all children's uniforms, coats, water bottles and lunch boxes be labelled with their child's full name.			
	<u>PE</u> All children are to come into school with their PE kits on their PE days.			
	Parking Can we remind you that the car park is for staff only and permit holders. If you need to use the car-park, please see the office for a parking permit. Please do not park in the disabled bays unless you have a blue badge.			

### Iris ParentMail

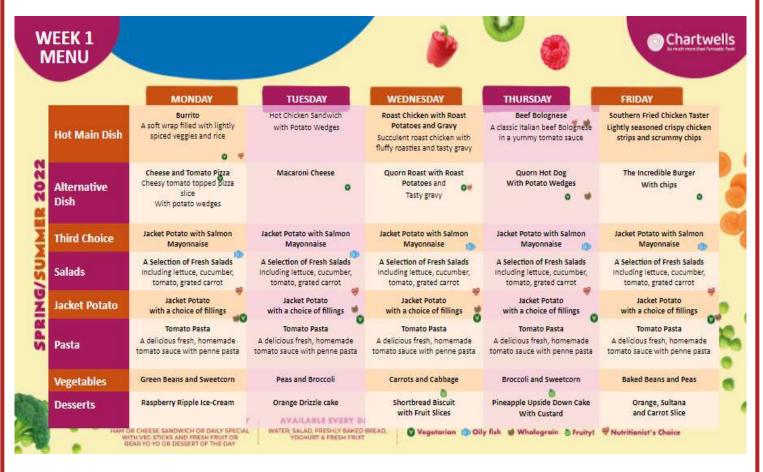
ParentMail is our main communication platform where you will receive emails from Mr Simpson, the office and teachers keeping you informed of school events, trips and class news. You can also report absences, book and pay for Breakfast and After School Clubs and purchase uniforms.

We encourage all parents to register if you haven't already. For those who haven't and if you have an email address, you will be receiving a verification email soon via your emails. Please follow the link on the email to register. You will get notification when we send out forms for trips, all payments will be via Parentmail. Please contact the school office if you need any assistance.

## **General Reminders**

#### School Dinners

Just a reminder that you no longer need to book meals in advance, children can choose what they would like to eat on the day at the counter. Parents will still need to ensure that there is money in their child's ParentMail account but children will indicate they are having a hot dinner on the day in registration. The Week after half term will be **Week 1 Menu, please see below:** 



The menus rotate on a 3 week cycle and all menus can be found on the website under 'School Life' then 'Essential Information'. You can also pick up a copy from the school office.

#### <u>Asthma</u>

Just a reminder that if your child needs an inhaler in school, please can you come to the office to fill in the relevant paperwork. You will be asked to leave one inhaler in school.

#### <u>Class Dojo</u>

Please sign up to Class Dojo this weekend using the letter provided from school. For more information please see your child's class teacher or the school office.

#### <u>PE Days</u>

Nursery - Wednesday

Reception - Monday

Year 1 - Wednesday

- Year 2 Thursday
- Year 3 Monday and Tuesday
- Year 4 4R & 4K Monday and Thursday, 4H Wednesday and Thursday
- Year 5 Tuesday and Friday
- Year 6 Wednesday and Friday

## Attendance

If your child is going to be absent from school for any reason please let us know as soon as possible by;

- Calling 01384 900450 and speaking to a member of staff or leaving a message.
- Sending an email to <u>attendance@colley.windsoracademytrust.org.uk</u>
- Reporting their absence via the ParentMail App.

Please be aware you **must** report your child's absence **every day** that they are unable to attend school. Thank you

#### Arriving late and leaving early.

Whilst we understand that this can be unavoidable on the odd occasion we would ask you to ensure that your child/children are here on time every day, ready to start the school day in the right way. Please try to avoid collecting children early from school whenever possible. If they have an appointment, please notify us of this in advance and provide a copy of the appointment letter, slip or text. Thank you.

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MINUTES LATE Per day	EQUIVALENT OF MISSING	HOW MANY Lessons This Is Missed	100
5 MINUTES	3.4 SCHOOL DAYS A YEAR	17 LESSONS	
10 MINUTES	6.9 SCHOOL DAYS A YEAR	35 LESSONS	
<b>15 MINUTES</b>	10.3 SCHOOL DAYS A YEAR	51 LESSONS	
20 MINUTES	13.8 SCHOOL DAYS A YEAR	69 LESSONS	
<b>30 MINUTES</b>	20.7 SCHOOL DAYS A YEAR	104 LESSONS	

Have a lovely half term holiday.

# What's been happening in school this week?

# <u>Nursery</u>

This week in Nursery we have enjoyed learning all about Queen Elizabeth II and her Platinum Jubilee. We spent some time looking at when the Queen came to the throne and how long she has been serving for our country and also spoke about what will happen when she isn't Queen anymore and we have a new King. Throughout the week the children have been making Union Jack bunting and crowns for our special Queen's Jubilee picnic on Friday.

The children had lots of fun having a picnic in the Nursery garden this morning and on the field with the rest of the school this afternoon.

In WCR this week, we read a new story which is all about rhyme. The children began the week by singing some nursery rhymes and then finding rhyming couplets from a range of pictures before we read the new story. Our new book was 'Green Eggs and Ham'. The children have enjoyed being able to join in with

the story through the rhyming words and we have spoken about how important it is to try lots of new foods even if you think you won't like them because you might love them and want to eat them here, there or anywhere!

In maths this week, we have been looking at describing a familiar route. We chose to describe the route we would need to take from the Nursery classroom to the hall for dinner, P.E or assembly. We worked together to make a map of our route and then followed it to see if we had described it

successfully. The children were very good at directing us and we all made it to the hall by following our described route.

After half term the children will be taking part in a road safety workshop run by Dudley Council. This will take place at Our Hive on Wednesday 8th June.

We hope you all have a wonderful bank holiday weekend and enjoy the half term!

### <u>Reception</u>

The children have had a fantastic week learning about Queen Elizabeth II and her Platinum Jubilee. They have baked and decorated crown biscuits, designed their own bunting and paper chains, took part in a crown tricky word hunt and made their own crowns using playdoh and red, white and blue buttons.

They have explored their sense of smell by playing with flavoured tea in the water tray and practised communicating clearly in the 'Tea Shop' roleplay by taking orders and paying for icecreams and teas!

The girls in particular have enjoyed dressing up as princesses and reading stories in the reading corner.

The children have built a range of buildings, found in London, using a variety of bricks and also created buildings on the interactive whiteboard. The children have had the opportunity to be creative by painting images of the queen and drawing portraits of the queen. Throughout the week they have written sentences about the queen using new vocabulary Monarch and Platinum Jubilee and finally they made their own crowns and took part in a jubilee celebration with the whole school! What a busy yet fun week!









RY had the opportunity to visit the local library and had the chance to put their Green Cross Code knowledge into action. The children walked safely and sensibly and really enjoyed exploring the library. They are looking forward to visiting again. This week the children have taken home a library enrollment form. Please complete and return to school if your child is not yet enrolled or their library card has been misplaced.

In maths children have been learning to share items. Children have then described the amounts and groups using star words, equal, unequal, share, how many and altogether. Have a go at home sharing items into equal and unequal groups and see if your child can recall previous learning on odds and even numbers.

After half term the children will be taking part in a road safety workshop run by Dudley Council. This will take place at Our Hive on Thursday 9th June.

We hope you have a lovely half term holiday and extended Jubilee weekend. Please send in any photos of your celebrations to the info email account or message your child's class teacher on class dojo.







### <u>Year 1</u>

Where has the time gone? Here we are already at the end of another half term.

We have been thinking about the Jubilee a lot this week and have been making preparations for our party on

Friday. To start, the children decorated their own crown and although we made quite a mess with sequins, glitter and stickers, they look amazing and maybe more impressive than the real thing! We then got busy making bunting and paper chains to hang and decorate the school corridors and classrooms, which really added to the celebratory atmosphere this week. We have also learnt a song especially about the Queen's Platinum Jubilee which perhaps your child will share with you.

In English we discussed the Royal family and looked at their family tree. We then focussed on finding out facts about the Queen. Did you know that the Queen has owned around 30 corgis? We also found out that she doesn't need a driving licence or passport! The children were



then able to put all the information they had gathered into a report, remembering the features needed in producing a non chronological report from the work we did on mini beasts a couple of weeks ago. Ask your child if they can tell you what was in their report and what facts they can recall.

We finished our whole class reading book, Flat Stanley, this week and really enjoyed the ending. Spoiler alert! Arthur, his brother, blows him back up with a bicycle pump and the family celebrate with a hot chocolate. The children have really enjoyed the book and we wrote a book review where most of the children rated it with 5 stars. Maybe you could read some of the other Flat Stanley Stories to see what else he got up to whilst he was flat.

In maths we have been looking at addition and subtraction families. The children have been learning to show all the ways you can write addition sums using three related numbers and also how many subtraction sums they can create using the same numbers. Most children found it tricky to start with but after some practise they have now got a much better understanding.

As you know we have had a real push on phonics this term in readiness for our phonic screening check, the first week after half term. The children are getting well practised at spotting digraphs in words and adding sound buttons so that when they come across an unfamiliar or an "alien" word they will be able to have a go at sounding it out confidently.

Hopefully, they will remember their phase 5 sounds after a week off but lots of practice during their holiday would be really helpful!

Thank you for your continued support this term and we hope you all have a lovely half term and a great Bank Holiday weekend!

## <u>Year 2</u>

We have had another creative week in Year 2! The children have painted, collaged and used charcoal in art to finalise the work they have been working on over the past couple of weeks. In our DT lessons the children have also finished their sliding page for the book Solo. They showed real perseverance when trying to attach the sliding mechanisms to their backgrounds. All their projects have all turned out fantastically!

The children were very excited as they witnessed our caterpillars emerging as butterflies this week. Once they were strong enough we set them free. Everyone in Year 2 has really enjoyed watching them grow from tiny caterpillars this term.

In PE this week we learnt the basic techniques to throw the javelin, ready for next term's athletics focus. The children took it very seriously, competing with each other to see who could throw 'the rockets' the furthest.



In science this week we have looked at the importance of hygiene to humans. We discussed different ways we can be hygienic, such as washing our bodies, hair,

teeth and hands. We set up an investigation exploring what happens if we don't wash our hands properly. We predicted what would happen to three pieces of bread over time. One was touched with a clean pair of tweezers, one with clean hands and one was passed around all the children in the classroom. We will observe what happens to each piece of bread and decide if having clean hands makes a difference or not!

On Friday, the children created recipes for the perfect Queen! We had lots of fun thinking of the different qualities she should have! We continued to celebrate the Queen's Platinum Jubilee by creating bunting and designing crowns to wear to the whole school picnic on the field!



Over the past couple of weeks the children have been working incredibly hard, revising and completing their Key Stage 1 SATs booklets. I honestly don't think the teachers in Year 2 could be any prouder! Every single one of the children have been resilient and become unstuck as they have taken part in their special booklets. As a little treat (and because we couldn't possibly choose just 1 winner this week) all the children got to enjoy some biscuits and a hot chocolate with Mr Simpson! Well done Year 2, you have been absolute superstars!

We hope you all have a wonderful half term holiday!



### <u>Year 3</u>

A very regal week in Year Three! We have been finding out about Queen Elizabeth across the week all in time for our Jubilee day. We enjoyed reading and answering questions about her past jubilee celebrations in our Reading lesson, locating the Commonwealth countries around the world in ICT and we studied the Queen's family tree and then made our own in PSHE. The children have been enjoying colouring in bunting and flags as well as making their fabulous crowns which were worn for the jubilee picnic. Lots of fun and games all celebrating together.

We have come to the end of our Science topic of 'Animals including humans'. We have looked at healthy eating, types of skeletons, bones and muscles. The children used their knowledge to each create an impressive double page spread showcasing their learning. Can your child tell you the names of different types of skeletons?

In Maths, the children have been combining the four operations of addition, subtraction, multiplication and division to solve word problems using bar models. It was tricky at first, but once we became more confident in finding the known facts and understood the vocabulary used, we were able to draw the bar models and calculate to find the unknown facts. Good resilience shown.

To complete the half term the children have worked collaboratively to create a wonderful piece of art on display in the main corridor. Each week they have been learning about and having a go at using different techniques; pattern, pointillism, spirals, mosaics. This week each child has had a card tile to paint and recreate one technique on it. We put them all together to create a very colourful lion linking back to our fables and poetry in English; many children based their writing around the 'King of the jungle'! Some fantastic creativity on show, well done everyone. Have a lovely half term holiday everyone.

## <u>Year 4</u>

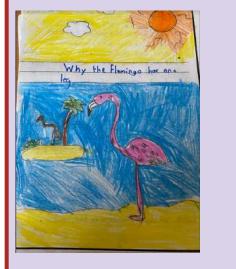
In our final week in Year 4 for this term, we have been finishing off our Anansi stories. Many of the children have been writing about how Anansi has played tricks on people and how Anansi is mean to all animals he meets. For example, in one story Anansi was mean to a white flamingo and he had to leave the cave he lived in, however, as he walked around the savannah the sun beat down, the flamingo was reddened by the sun and that is why flamingos are pink! Some children even finished their stories with African sayings such as 'cosi cosi iyaphela' which translates as 'Here I rest my story'.

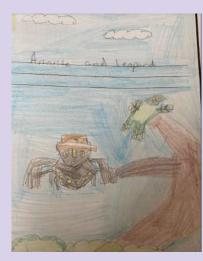
In Science, we have finished our 'Animals and Humans' unity where we completed a final assessment to see what we could remember. After last week's sicky experiment, we think the children actually enjoyed the test!

In Maths, we have been looking at shapes, especially triangles and properties of regular nd irregular shapes. This week we learned that a right-angle triangle has a right angle and three different length sides, an isosceles triangle has two sides of equal length and two equal angles, an equilateral has three equal sides and three equal angles and finally a scalene triangle has three different sides of length and three different sized angles.

For the most part of the week, we have been celebrating the Queen's Platinum Jubilee! Firstly, we learned all about the Queen's family tree from when she married Prince Philip. We then answered questions to gain a deeper understanding of the royal family. We then ordered key events of Queen Elizabeth's life to gain an understanding of just how long she has been serving the country. In addition, we drew pictures of the Queen using a variety of mediums, decoarted biscuits and made our own crowns! We also went on to the field for a wonderful picnic and we planted a tree to commemorate the event.

We hope you all have a lovely half-term break!







## <u>Year 5</u>

It has been another creative week in Year 5 - we've loved our art focus theme block. This week 5C and 5W had their turn at creating their own animations. They created the characters, background and props, they then used the Stop Motion app to create their short movies. The animation artist supported the two classes via Google Meets. All children have done so well with this, especially when they were receiving instructions virtually. We are really proud of them. Check out the photos below of their work!

We've also been busy creating lots of artwork based on the Queen's Jubilee, it has been great seeing children working together and having things to be proud of to show at the end of it. Lots of great collaboration is happening in Year 5 (we've definitely achieved that ASPIRE learner skill this week).

We are really getting into the action in our whole-class reading book - War Horse. The discussions we are having about the characters (inferring how they might be feeling) and predicting what might happen next, are absolutely brilliant. It really shows that children are ready to handle the most challenging book on our reading spine, we've reviewed vocabulary and shared synonyms to develop our understanding. We will look forward to finishing this book next half term and finding out what happens to Joey.

We've finished our maths unit on calculating numbers with decimals. During our week, we reviewed a range of question types, looking for the key information and understanding how to break the question down into steps. Teachers modelled how to do this and then children had a go at doing this independently. Well done to all!

We've finished the week celebrating the Queen's Jubilee with the rest of the school. It feels great to be able to have whole-school events like this and it feels like a wonderful end to our half term.

We wish everyone an enjoyable and relaxing half term.



Year 6

Year 6 have had a very exciting week to end this half term. It has been very creative and the children really haven't stopped!

To start the week, the children had a very interesting PSHE lesson, contemplating life's big questions. This week's big question was 'Can I believe everything I see?' and looked at how the eyes can change what they see based on how the brain perceives an image. The children investigated a range of illusions and developed an understanding of how the brain works in relation to sight. We had so much fun investigating the pictures.

Theme was incredibly exciting this week as the children were able to take part in cooking lessons. They had a go at making Egyptian



bread and Mayan tortillas to compare how food made by the Ancient Civilisations differs to food today. The children really loved it and also had the chance to have a food festival follow the lesson, tasting all of the food alongside a range of dips (sour cream, salsa and guacamole) as well as hot chocolate. It was a really great way to bring our previous themes to life!

In Writing this week, the pupils have created their own information text (double-page spread) all about a creature or being from our latest novel 'The Hobbit'. The children used their imaginations to highlight all of the features of their chosen creature, including appearance, diet, hygiene and exercise. We were really impressed with their pieces of work. Very creative Year 6!

Finally this week, we held auditions for parts within our school play this year. All of the children were incredible and tried incredibly hard. We even saw some pupils escape from their shells! Year 6 really entertained us.

We've had a wonderful final day celebrating the Queen's Jubilee. The children have created bunting and banners,

designed crowns and loved their picnic with the rest of the school. What an amazing day!

The Year 6 team would like to wish you all a wonderful half term and look forward to seeing you back on Monday 6th June, ready for residential and activities week.

### News....

#### Beaver Scouts group recruiting new members

If your child is interested in becoming a Beaver Scout, one of our parents has asked if we could mention the following:

Every Tuesday night from 6.00pm-7.15pm at the Scout Hut, Foxcote Lane (just past The Why Not Pub) the Beaver Scout group meets to do activities, games and crafts. Six year old boys and girls are welcome.

#### Colley Lane Website

If you haven't already, please take the time to look at our new website at <u>https://www.colley.dudley.sch.uk/</u> You will be able to find all the information that you need about our school including key information, news and dates and parent information.

Local Events



#### <u>Audio Books</u>

Audio books are a fantastic way to engage readers and offer a perfect opportunity to enjoy sharing a book with your son or daughter at home. Sooper Books very kindly donated their entire library of audio books for children to enjoy at school so we will be enjoying these in our lessons. If you wish to dip into a sample of these books at home, please access them via our school website on the following link:

https://www.colleylaneprimary.org.uk/teaching-and-learning/reading-at-home/

Here you will find a range of award-winning fairy tales, bedtime stories, fables and poems. Some of the titles are samples and there are a few stories which are free to access all of the time.

We would like to thank Sooper Books for their generous donation. If you would like to sign up for a membership to Sooper Books from home, they are currently offering a 1 week free trial or a £3.00 monthly subscription.

#### Netflix Age Ratings

You will be aware that Netflix is hugely popular across all ages but there have been concerns in relation to age ratings and the type of content that is recommended to viewers. Like many other services, Netflix uses algorithms to determine what you might like to watch based on viewing history, what you have liked etc.

Since last year, Netflix has been working with the BBFC and 100% of the content on Netflix is now age-rated to BBFC classification standards. It is the first UK streaming service to accomplish this.

Here is a guide on how to set up a child account and choose maturity ratings. Parental controls on Netflix

## **Pupil Achievements**

This week's Hot Chocolate Friday children: 27th May

RDW	RY	1N	1MS	2D	2E	3H	3W	-D
Bobby	Nadia	Frankie- Louise	Freya	All of 2D	All of 2E	Robyn Ev	Gabrielle	e
4R	4K	4H	5W	5C	5A	6H	60	6S
Tuliya	Thierno	Lillie	Mason	Mason	Braiden	Tina	Emily	Reagan



Max Hulston in 5MW who was a Zoo Keeper for the day and especially loved the Snakes and Lemurs - Great job Max!



Please email achievements to info@colley.windsoracademytrust.org.uk

## The Kindness Corner

#### Action for happiness



#### Black Country Food Bank



This week we had the Black Country Food Bank come and collect 4 crates of your generous donations. Our Deputy Head Boy Ryan and Deputy Head Girl Tatyana helped out loading the van.

Thank you for all your kind donations!



The collection box for Black Country Food Bank is now in the school foyer where donations can be brought in at any time throughout the school year.

If you are able to donate any non-perishable food items please bring these along to the school office where we will collect them before donating them to help our local food bank and community.

Take a look at the amazing work they do by visiting their website at https://www.blackcountryfoodbank.org.uk/

## **Diary Dates**

#### Summer Half Term

Monday 30th May 2022 to Friday 3rd June 2022

Return to school on Monday 6<sup>th</sup> June 2022

#### Summer Holidays

Thursday 21st July finish at 1.00pm

Friday 22nd July 2022 to Friday 2nd September 2022

Inset days Monday 5th and Tuesday 6th September 20222

#### Return to school on Wednesday 7<sup>th</sup> September 2022

#### Autumn Half Term

Monday 24th October to Friday 28th October 2022

Return to School on Monday 31st October 2022

#### Winter Holidays

Monday 19th December 2022 to Monday 2nd January 2023

Return to School on Tuesday 3rd January 2023

#### **Bank Holidays**

May Day – Monday 2<sup>nd</sup> May 2022

#### <u>Inset Days</u>

Monday 27th June 2022

Monday 5th, Tuesday 6th September 2022

# **Sports Clubs**

#### Colley Lane Sports Club News

It has been a lovely last week for some of the children who come to our cricket and tri-golf clubs with the chance to represent the school in tournaments this week. On Tuesday morning the tri-golf team went to Windsor to test their golf skills and they performed brilliantly winning the tournament by a single point. They will now be joining our sportshall athletics team representing

Games. Then on Wednesday we took two cricket teams to Stourbridge Cricket Club to play in a tournament, they came a very creditable 7th and 8th overall out of 14 teams. We are very proud of all of you especially for the polite, sensible way you represented Colley Lane,

The price of clubs is £1 per club to a maximum of £3 regardless of how many clubs attended per week (this doesn't include JSB clubs.)

Unless your child has PE on the same day as a club they must come in school uniform and bring their kit to change into. If they are participating in a club before school they can come in their kit and bring their uniform to change into if they don't have PE that day, this also applies to the JSB club.

Sports Clubs							
	Before school (Start time)	Cost	After school (Finish time)	Cost			
Monday	Y4, Y5 and Y6 Cross Country (8.00)	£1.00	Y3 & Y4 Multi Sports (4.15) YR ,Y1 & Y2 Multi Skills (4.30)*JSB	£1.00 £3.00			
Tuesday	Y3, Y4 and Y5 Tri Golf (8.10)		Y4, Y5 &Y6 Netball (4.15)	£1.00			
		£1.00	Y5 & Y6 Dance (4.15)	£1.00			
			Y5 & Y6 Football (4.30)*JSB	£3.00			
Wednesday	Y5 & Y6 Football (8.00)*JSB	£2.00	Y5 & Y6 Athletics(4.15)	£1.00 £3.00			
	Y3 & Y4 Football (8.00)* JSB	£2.00	Y3 & Y4 Dodgeball (4.30) * JSB				
Thursday	Y4, Y5 & Y6 Sportshall Athletics -invite only (8.00) Y4, Y5 & Y6 Cricket (8.00)		Y5 & Y6 Rounders (4.15)	£1.00			
		£1.00	Y3 & Y4 Choir (4.15)	£1.00			
		£1.00	YI & Y2 Football (4.30)*JSB	£3.00			
			Y3 & Y4 Football(4.30) *JSB	£3.00			
Friday	YR, YI & Y2 Football (8.00) * JSB	£2.00	Y4, Y5 & Y6 Girls Football (4.30)	£1.00			





Dudley at the Black Country

£1.00

£3.00

# **Free School Meals**

If your child is in Reception, years one or two, you will automatically be entitled for free meals under the new 'Universal Infant Free School Meals' criteria.

However if you do meet the criteria listed below then you will need to submit an online claim in order for your child's school to receive Pupil Premium funding.

Your child may be able to get free school meals if you get any of the following:

- Income Support
- Income-based Jobseekers Allowance
- Income-related Employment and Support Allowance
- Support under Part VI of the Immigration and Asylum Act 1999
- The guaranteed element of State Pension Credit
- Child Tax Credit (provided you're not also entitled to Working Tax Credit and have an annual gross income of no more than £16,190)
- Working Tax Credit Run-on paid for 4 weeks after you stop qualifying for Working Tax Credit
- Universal Credit (you must have less than £616.67 a month net earned income (after tax and not including any benefits)

Children who receive a qualifying benefit in their own right are also allowed to receive free school meals. Children under the compulsory school age who are in full time education may also be entitled to receive free school meals.

#### Infant free school meals in England

Your child will be able to get free school meals if they're in a government-funded school and in: reception class, year 1 and year 2 Tell your local authority if you also get any of the qualifying benefits. Your child's school can get extra funding if you do. If you wish to apply for Free School Meals click here <u>Free School Meals</u> or collect a form from the office.