

Church of the Ascension CE Primary School

'Learn with love, flourish in faith'



**Thankfulness Generosity Respect
Forgiveness Honesty Perseverance**



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Dear Family,

Many thanks for all of your support in vacating the school site once the bell has rung, meaning that we can secure the school at a much earlier time. We are very grateful for your assistance with this.

The school is in full swing preparing for the Christmas events that will be happening over the next few weeks. More information about these will be sent out shortly.

Thursday 5th December is a Mufti Day in school, children can wear their own clothes in exchange for a gift suitable to go in a Christmas hamper. We are asking children to bring in a gift that represents their house colours and these will be put together by the H.S.A to create hampers as prizes for the raffle.

Dudley MBC have asked us to share the following with you:-

Winter can be a difficult season, particularly for older people.

The cold weather can bring many challenges to our health and wellbeing. There are, however, lots of things you can do to get prepared for winter and to make sure you stay fit, safe and well.

This booklet offers information, along with a list of services from Dudley Council and other organisations. We want to support you during the colder months, especially people who may need extra help during winter <https://www.dudley.gov.uk/media/0iilzb0a/winter-wellness-a5-2023.pdf>

The Wall Heath Christmas Festival is happening on Sunday 1st December with the lantern light up starting at 3:30pm at Church of the Ascension.

Mrs L Mason

COLLECTIVE WORSHIP

I am so proud of how well our children engaged with and responded to our Eucharist Service, on Monday. Our thanks to Father Adam and Father Chris for leading us in our act of worship and to the members of our community who joined us.

CLUBS AFTER SCHOOL NEXT WEEK

Monday – KS2 Choir

Tuesday – Year 6 Netball

Church Club

Wednesday - Science Club (pre-booked & paid)

Thursday - Year 6 Girls Football Competition at Wombourne High School

Worship Leaders (Lunchtime)

Friday - Year 6 Netball

Ace Coaching Multi Sports (pre-booked & paid)

CHRISTMAS TREE FESTIVAL

We are pleased to say that we will have a Christmas tree representing our school as part of the Christmas Tree Festival at St. Mary's church over the weekend of 30th November and 1st December which will feature decorations made by some of the children. We hope you can visit and have a look!



Well done to the worship leaders and church club for their crafting skills in making the decorations and many thanks to Mrs Haywood, Mrs Freeman, Mrs Brown, Sian and the HSA for their support.

REFLEXIONS TEA AND TALK SESSION

The next session will be held on Friday 6th December 2:00 – 3:00pm at Church of the Ascension church hall with Reflexions (Mental Health Support Team)

This session will be 'Supporting your child with anxiety'

- To understand what anxiety is
- To understand reasons why your child may experience anxiety
- To understand the fight, flight and freeze responses
- To learn strategies to support your child to manage their anxiety

If you would like to attend this session, please email info@chur-ascen.dudley.sch.uk to confirm your attendance.

MUFTI DAY THURSDAY 5TH DECEMBER

For this year's Christmas raffle, the H.S.A would like to create some Christmas hampers with a difference!

On Mufti Day on Thursday 5th December, all children can wear their own clothes to school in exchange for items to go in one of the Christmas hampers which will be made to represent the four colours of each house.

Therefore, on the day, can your child please bring in something to represent their house colour, some examples are below:

Titanic (Green)- After Eights, Matchmakers, Mint Aero, Simple Products, Sour Patch, PG Tips
Lion (Red)- Skittles, Maltesers, KitKat, Candy Canes, Jam, Lindor, Christmas Puddings, Yorkshire Tea

Sunbeam (Yellow)- M&Ms, Toblerone, Crunchie, Honey, Lipton Tea,

Crystal (Blue)- Boost, Milkyway, Terry's, Wagon Wheel, Tetley

Or any other food or drink items or bath/beauty items – use your imagination!

Thank you for your support.

KEY STAGE 2 CHRISTMAS DISCO

Thursday 5th December 6pm-7pm

H.S.A are holding a Christmas disco for children in Key Stage 2.

£2.50 to be paid on entrance which includes unlimited drinks.

Sweets, snacks, goodies and glitter tattoos will be available to buy on the evening.

H.S.A RAFFLE TICKETS

Your child will be bringing home raffle tickets for you to sell. Prizes will be made up of hampers put together with your donations made on Mufti Day on Thursday 5th December. Please can all sold raffle tickets be returned in an envelope along with the correct money by Friday 13th December. Extra raffle tickets can be collected from the school office. We will then get prizes sent home with pupils on the last week of school before the Christmas break.

All money raised from the raffle and all of the other H.S.A events over Christmas will be used to directly benefit the children.

Thank you again for your support.

BOOK FAIR

Thank you to everyone who visited our book fair this week and for persevering with the online payment system – we hope you all enjoy your new purchases!

All commission raised from the sale of the books will be used to purchase more books for the children in school.



LUNCH MENU



WEEK 1

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| <u>MONDAY</u> | <p>Oven Baked Pork Sausage (V) Vegetable Sausage Served with Mashed Potato, Garden Peas, Carrots Jacket Potato with Baked Beans or Cheese Selection of Sandwiches—Ham, Cheese or Jam Freshly Baked Cookie</p> |
| <u>TUESDAY</u> | <p>(V) Cheese & Tomato Pizza Served with Rice & Broccoli Jacket Potato with Baked Beans or Cheese Selection of Sandwiches—Ham, Cheese or Jam Strawberry Ice-cream</p> |
| <u>WEDNESDAY</u> | <p>Roast Chicken (V) Mac n Cheese Served with Roast Potatoes, Cabbage & Peas, Green Beans Jacket Potato with Baked Beans or Cheese Selection of Sandwiches—Ham, Cheese or Jam Easiyo Fruit Mousse</p> |
| <u>THURSDAY</u> | <p>Chicken Curry (V) Sweet & Sour Vegetables Served with Rice, Mixed Salad, Sweetcorn Jacket Potato with Baked Beans or Cheese Selection of Sandwiches—Ham, Cheese or Jam Strawberry Jelly</p> |
| <u>FRIDAY</u> | <p>Fish Fingers (V) Veggie Nuggets Served with Oven Baked Chips, Garden Peas, Baked Beans Jacket Potato with Baked Beans or Cheese Selection of Sandwiches—Ham, Cheese or Jam Chocolate Cornflake Slice</p> |

Daily Items also available during lunch service:-

Meals served with a choice of seasonal vegetables.

Choice of salad and choice of dessert available.

Water available.