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SCHOOL STREETS

Travelling to Brook Primary School



What is it?

Schools across the Dudley borough are faced with parking and congestion challenges at the start and end of each school day. 'School Streets' is an initiative aimed at confronting these challenges. By introducing new restrictions that exclude traffic from entering specific streets at key times of the day, this will create a car-free zone during term time on key roads outside schools.

Why are we doing it?

The aim of 'School Streets' is to create a safer, quieter and more enjoyable environment which will hopefully encourage the following benefits:

- Improve the health of pupils by encouraging more active modes of transport, such as walking or cycling to school.
- Reduce problems and improve the safety of parents, pupils, residents and school staff caused by excessive traffic and inconsiderate parking.
- Less congestion and pollution by reducing the use of private cars for school journeys.



How it will work?

An experimental Traffic Regulation Order (TRO) starting in April 2024, will be in force for 18 months. George Street and Oakfield Close shown on the map, will be made a pedestrian and cycle zone between the hours of 8.00 - 9.15am and 2.30 - 3.45pm, Monday - Friday during term time. During these times, the only vehicles permitted to enter the street are:

- Affected residents and school staff who will be allocated a permit.
- · Emergency services, doctors on call, district nurses, carers and support workers
- . Blue badge holders residing at or visiting properties within the restricted streets
- Council vehicles and statutory undertakers serving the restricted streets
- · Tradespeople serving properties with the restricted streets
- Deliveries by postal vehicles
- Public Transport / School transport
- Funerals
- Elections

The school streets initiative will commence Monday 3rd June

Parents/Carers

From April 2024, George Street and Oakfield Close outside Brook Primary School will be closed to traffic in the mornings and at home time. This is to encourage more families to travel actively by walking or cycling to school. We would encourage parents/carers to leave their cars at home or if you must use your car then why not park away from the school and walk the remaining journey? We have included a map outlining a 5-minute walk zone to help you find alternative parking.

Look out for the new gateway signage put in place at the entrance of the restricted zone.

Residents

If you are a resident living within the restricted zone, you will be supplied with 2 permits to allow you to drive in/out of the road during the times stated on the signage (additional permits can be requested). If you have a blue badge then the restriction does not apply to you, however, the blue badge should be clearly displayed at all times.

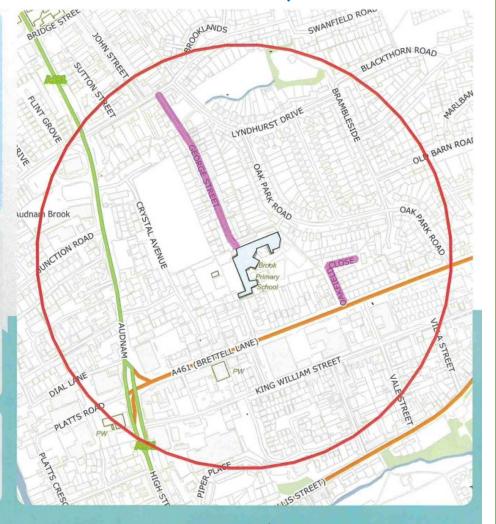
To find out more about 'School Streets' visit www.dudley.gov.uk/schoolstreets or email Traffic.Management@dudley.gov.uk

Key

Pedestrian and cycle zone - Oakfield Close and George St

Approx. 5 minutes walk to school

☐ Brook Primary School





Pupil achievements!

Well done to Kendall from Butterflies for recently being awarded her 15 meter swimming certificate!

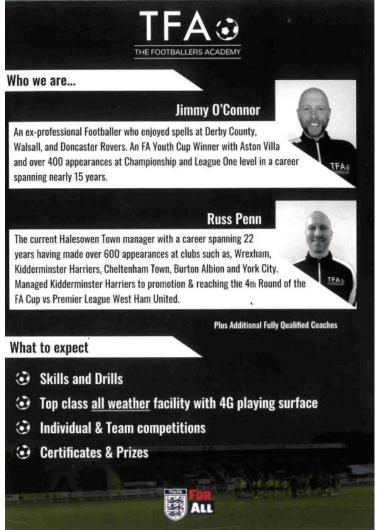
Well done Kendall this is a great achievement, keep up the good work!

Please ensure that everything your child brings to school is clearly labelled!

We have an ever-growing area of lost property so it is essential that clothing, bags, bottles and things such as hats / caps / scarves are clearly labelled so that they don't end up in lost property!

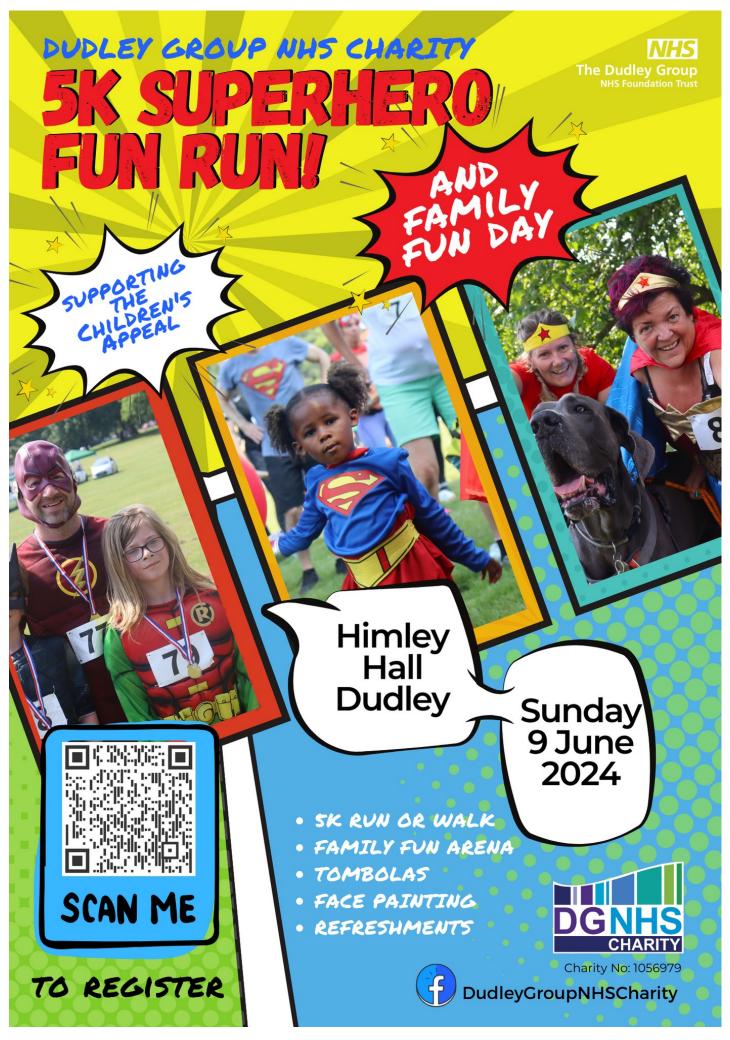
Thankyou





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Spelling Shed

Well done to the top spellers in each class for the past 7 days! The top class of the week is... 5P - Well done!

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1R	-
1W	Jaina
2C	Erin
2T	-
3	Mia
3	Bethany
4D	Eli
4F	Grace
5I	-
5P	Lexi
6HT	-
6AH	Alfie

Each week teachers set

spellings on Spelling Shed.

Please encourage your child to

practise these. Passwords can

be found in reading records.

Attendance % w/c 08/04/2024

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5P were the highest attendees in KS2 and 2C were the highest in KS1.

Well Done!

Rec D	96.88%
Rec B	95.65%
1R	93.75%
1W	97.92%
2C	99.17%
2T	99.11%
3B	97.77%
змн	100%
4D	97.22%
4F	91.20%
5 l	91.67%
5P	97.77%
6AH	97.50%
6HT	92.92%
School Total	94.90%
Target	97%

Buddies parents

Could you please double check your breakfast and after school bookings? We are having children turn up that aren't booked in. If your child isn't booked in, you could be turned away.

Forest School

This term we have introduced Forest School sessions with our Year 1 and 5 classes. One class is taking part this half term and the opposite class will take place after half term. If this is successful, we are hoping to roll this out across the whole school over the next academic year. Please let us know if you have any positive feedback!



Brook Buddies



Brook Buddies is our before & after school provision, we provide breakfast & an after school snack (allergies are catered for wherever possible-advance notice needs to be given)

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 (& these can only be given if we have spaces)—this needs be paid on Parent Pay no later than 3pm

To get in touch please call <u>07970704158</u>

Buddies@brook.dudley.sch.uk

Please note we can only answer the phone & emails during our operating hours.

This week we have enjoyed time in the garden when its not been raining!! We have been planting some flowers & herbs in the raised planters.