



Respect



Resilient



Pride



Challenge



Independent

Vaccination UK will be in school to administer free flu vaccinations for children from Reception - Year 6 on **Tuesday 22nd September**. A catch up session will also be available on **Thursday 12th November**. You will receive correspondence directly from the NHS where you can opt your children in or out.



VACCINATION UK

A porcine-free flu vaccine is available

Protect your child from flu this winter

Your child will be offered a **free** NHS flu vaccination as part of the school-aged vaccination programme.

The vaccine usually offered to children is a nasal spray. The nasal flu vaccine contains a small amount of porcine gelatine.



You do not have to choose the nasal spray - a porcine-free alternative is available.



PREFER A VACCINE WITHOUT PORCINE GELATINE?

A **porcine-free** injectable flu vaccine is also available.

If you do not want your child to receive a vaccine containing porcine gelatine for religious, cultural or personal reasons, you can request the injectable flu vaccine instead.



TWO VACCINE OPTIONS

NASAL SPRAY



- ✓ Given as a quick spray into each nostril
- ✓ The preferred vaccine for most children
- ✓ Contains a small amount of porcine gelatine
- ✓ No needle is needed

INJECTABLE VACCINE



- ✓ Given as an injection, usually in the upper arm
- ✓ Does not contain porcine gelatine
- ✓ Available for children who cannot have, or whose parents prefer not to have, the nasal spray

WHY VACCINATE AGAINST FLU?

Flu can make children very unwell and can spread easily at school and at home.



Protect them from flu and its complications



Reduce the chance of flu spreading to family and friends



Protect people who may be more vulnerable to becoming seriously ill

HOW DO I CHOOSE THE PORCINE-FREE VACCINE?



When you receive your child's flu vaccination consent form, complete it as instructed and select the injectable flu vaccine if you would prefer the porcine-free option.



If you have questions or need help completing your child's consent, please contact the Vaccination UK team.



VACCINATED AT SCHOOL | PROTECTED FOR WINTER

WWW.SCHOOLVACCINATION.UK

NHS

This is only our first full week back and we are already receiving complaints from concerned residents about parking around school. Please park responsibly and respectfully, not blocking driveways or parking across double yellow lines or on corners. Please also be mindful of the speed you are travelling as we have received numerous concerns from how fast cars are travelling. Our main aim is to keep our children and local community safe whilst teaching the children how to be respectful of our community.

Please note: We have very limited spaces on the front car park & a lot of people wanting to park here. You may only park here if you personally have a blue badge. Please can you bring your blue badge into the office so we can validate this for this year.



Starting primary school in September 2027

Why not apply for a place online?

If your child was born between 1 September 2022 and 31 August 2023 they will be due to start primary school in September 2027.

You **MUST** complete an application form either online at www.dudley.gov.uk/admissions or by completing an application form from your home local authority by **15 JANUARY 2027**. You can include five school preferences on the application; there is nothing to gain by only putting one preference.

Applications will be available from **1 October 2026**.

Benefits of applying online

- E-mail decision received by 2pm on day of offer
- It's quick and easy to use
- You can apply 24 hours a day, 7 days a week
- There's no risk that your application will be lost in the post
- You will get email confirmation that your application has been received
- It's safe and secure

The online system will be available 24 hours a day, 7 days a week from 1 October 2026 until the closing date for applications on **15 January 2027**.

Please note: Even if your child already attends a school nursery or has an older sibling at school, do not assume that your child will automatically gain a place at that school. This is a common misconception and often the biggest cause of disappointment for parents who believe otherwise.

For further information please contact Dudley School Admissions Service on **0300 555 2345**.



one click ... makes it quick
www.dudley.gov.uk/admissions





Starting secondary school in September 2027

Why not apply for a place online?

If your child is due to start secondary school in 2027 then you will have to apply for a school place before 31 October 2026.

You **MUST** complete an application form either online at www.dudley.gov.uk/admissions or by completing the application form provided by your home local authority. You can include six school preferences on the application form; there is nothing to gain by only putting one preference.

Benefits of applying online

- E-mail decision received by 2pm on day of offer
- It's quick and easy to use
- You can apply 24 hours a day, 7 days a week
- There's no risk that your application will be lost in the post
- You will get email confirmation that your application has been received
- It's safe and secure

The online system will be available 24 hours a day, 7 days a week from 1 September 2026 until the closing date for applications on **31 October 2026**.

You should not assume that your child will get a place at a secondary school without you having to apply, even if you have an older child already attending the same school. This is a common misconception and often the biggest cause of disappointment for parents who believe otherwise.

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Pupil achievements!



Well done to Delilah & Daphne who had to run, cycle, walk and scoot 31 miles throughout August, raising an amazing £350!



Well done to Florence who has recently completed 4 dance exams & has worked really hard to get top marks out of her class, winning the first place trophy!

14TH-20TH SEPTEMBER NATIONAL CODING WEEK

National Coding Week aims to help adults and children learn and share their digital skills. Whether you're in primary school, high school, further education or even an adult wanting to learn new computing skills, this is the week to get involved!

Below are some websites you and your family can access allowing you to discover, develop or enhance your coding skills.

<https://nationalcareers.service.gov.uk/national-coding-week>

<https://www.stem.org.uk/resources/library/collection/501269/national-coding-week>

<https://www.2simple.com/blog/national-coding-week/>



NEW SQUAD FORMING NOW FOR CHILDREN CURRENTLY IN YEAR 1

TRAINING TO BE PART OF A TEAM READY FOR THE
2027 SEASON



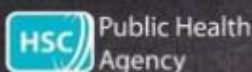
- Qualified coaches
- Building confidence & ball mastery early
- Safe, professional & encouraging training sessions
- Learning to play as part of a team ready for the 2027 season

**LIMITED
SPACES**



WORDSLEY PARK
9:00AM - 10:00AM
£5 PER SESSION (NON- PROFIT- ALL SUBS
GO TOWARDS THE TEAM)

CONTACT JOE HICKMAN FOR FURTHER INFORMATION - 07846789267



Do I need to keep my child off school?

Chicken Pox At least 5 days from onset of rash and until all spots have crusted over	Conjunctivitis No need to stay off but school or nursery should be informed	Diarrhea &/or Vomiting 48 hours from last episode	Respiratory Illness (e.g colds & flu) Can return when no longer have a high temperature and well enough	Glandular Fever No need to stay off but school or nursery should be informed		
Hand, foot & mouth No need to stay off if well enough, but school or nursery should be informed	Impetigo Until lesions are crusted & healed or 48 hours after commencing antibiotics	Head Lice No need to stay off but school or nursery should be informed	Measles 4 days from onset of rash	Mumps 5 days from onset of swelling		German Measles (Rubella) 5 days from onset of rash
Scarlet Fever 24 hours after commencing antibiotics	Scabies Until after first treatment	Slapped Cheek No need to stay off but school or nursery should be informed	Threadworms No need to stay off but school or nursery should be informed	Tonsillitis Can return when no longer have a temperature and well enough, school or nursery should be informed		Whooping Cough 48 hours after commencing antibiotics

Use this guide to find out when they should stay off, and when they can go back if they are well enough to do so.

Brook Buddies donation plea!

Buddies would be very grateful for any donations of dolls, doll house furniture and doll pushchairs, if any families happen to have any that are no longer played with.

Thank you in advance.



ATTENDANCE UPDATE



We have sent our attendance newsletter out to all parents/carers. On the newsletter it explains the new banding system we are using. Anyone in band 1 by the 22nd October will be invited to our attendance disco! This will be taking place during school time and will be great fun!

This week **342** children
have had 100% attendance.
Well done!

Well done to 5WE who had
the highest attendance this
week with 100%

Our attendance superstar
this week is Indie!



Brook Buddies



Brook Buddies parents it's that time again! If you require a place at Buddies this year, please remember you need to fill in a new Buddies agreement, which can be found here:

<https://forms.office.com/e/V2Sw2WJSHb>

1 form needs to be completed for each child.

Brook Buddies runs every morning and evening. Why not join us for breakfast or some after school fun? Our session times & prices are below:

Breakfast club:

7:30am-8:45am - £4

Afterschool club:

3:20pm-5:45pm - £8.00

All bookings must be made by Thursday of the week before you require childcare.

To get in touch, please call our mobile: **07970704158**

Our email is **Buddies@brook.dudley.sch.uk**

This week in Buddies we have enjoyed making new friends. We have made some 'all about me' posters and have been painting self portraits!

Please can we remind parents NOT to send their child to school on a scooter or bicycle if they attend Buddies as we have no room to store them. Thank you.