



Covid vaccination opportunities for children aged 12 to 15

Dudley Local Authority has forwarded further information to us from the NHS, detailing how you can access a Covid-19 vaccination for your child at an out of school vaccination centre from 23rd October.

There will still be an opportunity for your child to be vaccinated in school as part of the school-based vaccination programme after half term should you prefer.

The attached letter explains how you can book a vaccination at either:

- Saddlers Vaccination Centre Walsall, WS2 9NW
- Cardiac Rehab Gym, City Hospital, Dudley Road, Winson Green, B18 7Q

The links contained within the letter will allow you to book an appointment and access information about the vaccination, including helpful guides for yourself and for children and young people.

The school is simply passing this information to you and any further questions about this should be directed to the NHS.

Year 7 Finish Time

With effective from Monday 1st November, Year 7 will finish at **3:20pm** every day.



Important Safety Advice

With many organised displays cancelled again this year, many families will be thinking of having displays at home. But do we all know how to buy safely and avoid unlicensed sellers? Do we know what precautions to take to avoid a serious accident? And would we know what to do if the worst happened?

Our new fireworks advice hub makes it easy for you to share safety messages with families. You'll find:

- [Fireworks buying guide](#) – to help families avoid dangerous fireworks.
- [Fireworks safety tips](#) – essential tips for families doing their own display.
- [Lessons for little ones](#) – a downloadable resource to help you teach children about safety.
- [Warning to parents](#) – a real story to share.
- [In an emergency](#) – good first aid will reduce the likelihood of lifelong scarring.

Lateral Flow Testing

Lateral Flow Testing has proved an essential part of our safety plan, with the vast majority of cases in school being detected via home LFT of asymptomatic children meaning those positive cases are kept out of school, keeping us all safe.

We would once again urge all of our community to test regularly, ideally on a Sunday evening/Monday morning and again on a Wednesday evening/Thursday morning with all results reported via [Test Register - to record LFT results](#)

Home testing should also continue through the half-term

Parenting Smart (Place2Be)

The children's mental health charity, Place2Be, has launched a new website aimed at helping parents with typical situations they can find themselves in with their children.

Advice can be found on over forty topics including:

- Understanding sibling rivalry
- My child is lying, what does it mean, what should I do?
- My child has trouble going to sleep
- My child says 'I hate you!'
- Cultural identity: who am I?

The Parenting Smart website can be found here: <https://parentingsmart.place2be.org.uk/>

West Midlands Fire Service – FREE Safe & Well Visits

Haden Cross Community Fire Station are offering to carry out free 'Safe & Well' visits to help local residents stay safe in their homes. For further details, see the attached letter.

Special points of interest:

- **WHSA** – for information about joining, contact Mr Andi Buckley on 0121 550 1452
- **Lost Property** is kept for two weeks. Students are notified of items via the daily message sheet.
- **Uniform:** Sales are now online: <https://www.swischoolwear.co.uk/>

Activities Week and Year 7 Pledge Week

Details about the plans for Activities Week 2022 and Year 7 Pledge Week will be released via ParentMail today - please read the information carefully as for planning purposes we need a reply slip by **Monday 1st November**. For parents who do not have ParentMail, paper copies of the booklet will be issued via the post. The booklets will be available to view on the [school website](#).

Digital Parenting



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Digital Parenting – Five rules that really matter!

Building a child's digital resilience will keep them safer than blocking or filtering.

Don't limit your conversation with your child to "the online safety conversation".

Don't be afraid to set boundaries.

Balance taking an interest in your child's online activities with giving them the space to be independent.

Top articles about digital parenting



Concentrate on how children use digital technology as opposed to for how long.

Please click the link below to see the support page in full.

<https://www.parents.parentzone.org.uk/morearticles/the-5-digital-parenting-rules-that-really-matter>

We have created a wellbeing page on our website where we will regularly add support materials for parents/carers to access. [Please click here to view.](#)



Artists of the week

Year 7 did an amazing job with their marble drawings putting into practice their knowledge of tone, texture and form



To ALL our Year 7 students



A fantastic opportunity for all of our Year 7 students to take part in the prestigious Modern Foreign Language Spelling Bee Competition this year.

Our top students for French, German and Spanish will go to the regional competition. Your teacher will issue you with your spelling list after half-term.

Good luck!

Stuart House

Achievements!

A very special good luck to Isla in 9S1!

Isla has qualified and is competing with her Irish dancing in the Great Britain Championships this weekend. We travel to London Thursday night and return on Sunday. We wish you all the luck in the world for your competition!

We can't wait to hear all about your experiences and wish you the best of luck in the event!!

Very well done already Isla, as a team, we are very proud of you!

Congratulations!

Miss Heeley and the Stuart Team

Stuart House

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Stars of the Week!

Well done to all our stars of the week for your amazing work this half term. We are so proud of you!

The students below have been recognised for amazing work and excellent commitment in our House activities and across subjects. Keep up the amazing work!

**Q'Ue P, Brian S, Daniella M-W,
Toby B, Mohamed D, Sophie R**

Well done, such a fantastic achievement! We are very proud of you!

Miss Heeley and the Stuart Team

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Year 8 Girls Rugby Festival

Twelve girls from Year 8 that are new to the game of rugby attended a skills Festival at Old Swinford Hospital School last Thursday.

They were introduced to the main skills of the game – ball handling, tackling etc. and then played some fun games against the eight other schools attending.

The girls showed a great attitude and threw themselves into the experience and had fun. Thanks to Mr Louca for taking them.

Old Halesonians Rugby Club has a Girls junior section, more information can be found on this link: www.oldhalesoniansrfc.com/contact

The team were: Maddie S, Leena A, Cerys P, Sophie B, Willow A, Ellie C, Teagan J, Hannah LB, Alanah C, Sophie G, Sophie C, Amaya S.



Extra-Curricular Activities and Clubs

Following on from the success of this half-term's calendar of extra-curricular activities and clubs, please find attached the list of clubs that will run from Monday 1st November through until Christmas.

All students are welcome and there is no need to pre-register; students can attend whichever sessions suit them. All clubs are also listed in the extra-curricular section of our website.

<https://www.windsorhighschool.org.uk/school-life/extra-curricular-activities/>

We look forward to seeing as many of our students as possible taking advantage of these opportunities.

Friday 5th November – Bonfire Night Menu

Available from Main Dining Hall and Sixth Form TwentyTen:

- * Jacket Potatoes: BBQ Beans/Chilli/
Tuna Mayo/Cheese/Cheese with Beans
- * Hot Dogs and Onions
- * White Chocolate &
Cinnamon Muffins
- * Toffee Apples



Extra-Curricular Clubs and Activities from 1st November 2021

Day	Title	Time	Teacher	Year Groups	Where
Every day	Fitness	8am - 8.30am	PE Staff	All years	Fitness Suite
Monday	Ancient History Club	Lunchtime	Mrs Whitehead	Years 8 - 9	C1
Monday	Computing Club	Lunchtime	Miss Allsop	Years 8 - 11	D25
Monday	Homework Club (French)	Lunchtime	Mrs Payton	Year 10	A3
Monday	Netball	Lunchtime	Mrs Whitehouse	Year 7	Top Gym
Monday	Prism club	Lunchtime	Miss Freear	Years 8 - 11	D6
Monday	Dance Leaders	12.50pm - 1.20pm	Mrs McLaughlin	Year 10	Dance Studio
Monday	Origami and Craft for Wellbeing	12.55pm - 1.25pm	Miss Grace	Years 8 - 11	Library
Monday	Duolingo (all languages)	3.20pm - 4pm	Mrs Payton	Years 7 - 9	A3
Monday	Homework Club (Maths)	3.20pm - 4pm	Miss Rayson	Years 7 - 8	C22
Monday	Spanish Club	3.20pm - 4pm	Ms Gonzalez Alvarez	Year 7	A1
Monday	Speaking and Debating Society	3.20pm - 4pm	Miss Stevens	Years 7 - 9	A29
Monday	Basketball (Girls) Fixtures and Training	3.30pm - 4.30pm	Mrs Whitehouse Miss Paskin	All years	Top Gym Sports Hall
Monday	Guitar Club	3.30pm - 4.15pm	Mr Jasper	All years	E22
Monday	Vocal Group	3.30pm - 4.15pm	Mrs Richards Mr Jasper	All years	E21
Monday	Art GCSE	3.30pm - 4.30pm	Miss Jefferies Miss Dovey	Years 10 - 11	M1 M2
Monday	Basketball Practice (Boys)	3.30pm - 4.30pm	Mr Louca	All years	Bottom Gym
Monday	CNAT Revision	3.30pm - 4.30pm	Mr Perks	Years 10 - 11	S22
Monday	GCSE PE Coursework	3.30pm - 4.30pm	Mr Ebbage	Years 10 - 11	C23
Monday	Senior Dance Company	3.30pm - 4.30pm	Miss Harris	Years 9 - 10	Dance Studio
Tuesday	Stretch and Dance Techniques	8am - 8.30am	Mrs McLaughlin	All years	Dance Studio
Tuesday	Band club	Lunchtime	Mr Jasper	Years 8 - 9	E22
Tuesday	Finding Lines Society	Lunchtime	Mr Field	Years 8 - 11	C15
Tuesday	Basketball	12.50pm - 1.20pm	Mr Deeks	Year 12	Top Gym
Tuesday	Basketball (Boys)	12.50pm - 1.20pm	Mr Perks	Years 8 - 9	Bottom Gym
Tuesday	Multi Sports	12.50pm - 1.20pm	Mrs Boden	Year 9	Bottom Gym
Tuesday	Drama Club	3.20pm - 4.20pm	Ms McAlinden	Years 7 - 9	M5

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Tuesday	Book Chat	3.20pm - 4pm	Mrs Wood	Years 7 - 9	Library
Tuesday	Chess Club	3.20pm - 4pm	Mr Drew	All Years	P1
Tuesday	Homework Club (German)	3.20pm - 4pm	Mrs Pargeter Down	Year 10	A5
Tuesday	Homework Club (Maths)	3.20pm - 4pm	Mrs Elfrey	Years 9 - 10	C23
Tuesday	Graphics Club	3.25pm - 4.10pm	Mrs Clifford	Year 7	P21
Tuesday	Food Club	3.30pm - 4.30pm	Miss Powell	Year 7	C21
Tuesday	Girls Only Fitness	3.20pm – 4.30pm	Mrs Whitehouse	Year 9	Fitness Suite
Tuesday	Basketball (Boys) Fixtures	After School	Mr Louca / Mr Ebbage	Year 9	Various
Tuesday	Football (Girls) Fixtures	After School	Mrs Rhooms	Years 8 - 9	Various
Wednesday	Football (Girls)	8am - 8.30am	Mrs Rhooms	All years	Bottom Gym
Wednesday	Eco Club	Lunchtime	Mrs Newton	Years 8 - 11	A1
Wednesday	Physics Club	Lunchtime	Mr Jones	Years 10 & 12	D24
Wednesday	Football (Indoor, Boys)	12.50pm - 1.20pm	Mr Ebbage	Year 8	Bottom Gym
Wednesday	Enterprise Club	3.20pm - 4.10pm	Mrs Smith	Year 7	D21
Wednesday	DT Open Workshop	3.20pm - 4.20pm	Mr Stokes / Mr Ali	Years 7 - 10	C10
Wednesday	Homework Club (Humanities)	3.30pm - 4.15pm	Mr Hussain	All Years	D2
Wednesday	Football Fixtures	After School	Mr Lea	Years 12 - 13	Various
Wednesday	Netball Fixtures	After School	Mrs Whitehouse	Years 12 - 13	Various
Wednesday	Basketball (Girls) Fixtures	After School	Miss Paskin	Year 9	Various
Thursday	Contemporary Dance	8am - 8.30am	Mrs Edgar	All years	Dance Studio
Thursday	Basketball (Girls and Boys)	Lunchtime	Mr Louca / Mrs Rhooms	Year 7	Bottom Gym
Thursday	Keyboard Club	Lunchtime	Mrs Richards /Mr Jasper	Year 7	E21
Thursday	Multi Sports	12.50pm - 1.20pm	Mrs Jones	Year 10	Sports Hall
Thursday	Science Club	3.25pm - 4pm	Mr Perry	Year 7	S2
Thursday	Gardening Club	3.30pm - 4.00pm	Miss Powell	All Years	C21
Thursday	CNAT Sports Revision	3.30pm - 4.30pm	Mr Louca	Years 10 - 11	S22
Thursday	Fitness (Girls)	3.30pm - 4.30pm	Miss Paskin	All years	Fitness Suite
Thursday	Basketball (Boys) Fixtures	After School	Mr Deeks/ Mr Ebbage	Year 10	Various
Thursday	Football (Girls) Fixtures	After School	Mrs Rhooms	Years 10 - 11	Various
Friday	Gymnastics	8am - 8.30am	Miss Paskin	All Years	Top Gym

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Friday	Finding Lines Society	Lunchtime	Mr Field	Year 7	C15
Friday	Basketball (Boys)	12.50pm - 1.20pm	Mr Deeks	Years 10 - 11	TBC
Friday	Basketball (Girls)	12.50pm - 1.20pm	Mrs Whitehouse	Years 8 - 10	Top Gym
Friday	Fitness	3.30pm - 4.30pm	Miss Sparrow	Years 10 - 13	Fitness Suite
Friday	Junior Dance Company	3.30pm - 4pm	Mrs Edgar	Years 7 - 8	Dance Studio
Monday Tuesday	Fitness	3.30pm - 4.30pm	Miss Paskin / Mr Deeks	All years	Fitness Suite
Wednesday Thursday	GCSE Dance	12.50pm - 1.20pm	Miss Harris	Years 10 - 11	Dance Studio