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NEXT WEEK

Monday 2nd October

Lunchtime Tag Rugby Practice (Y5-6)

3.30-4.30pm Performing Arts Club Y3-6

Tuesday 3rd October

EYFS Parents' Evening

Wednesday 4th October

Charity activities for RSPCA
(children to bring 50p)

3.30-4.30pm Chess Club Y3-6

EYFS Parents' Evening

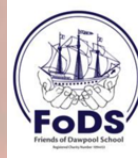
Thursday 5th October

School Photographs
(all children to wear uniform)

3.30-4.30pm Performing Arts Club Y1 and Y2

3.45-4.15pm Choir rehearsal Y3-6

Friday 6th October



FoDS News

Following the FoDS AGM this week, we wanted to take this opportunity to thank all the committee members from last year for all their hard work, especially those who have stepped down this year. Without the dedication of the committee and the regular helpers none of the events organised would be possible.

We are very pleased to have now filled the role of Treasurer. We are very grateful as this enables us to continue our valued fundraising for the school. We are also keen to include a social media coordinator within our team. If anyone is interested, please get in touch through your class reps or contact the committee on friendsofdawpoolschool@gmail.com.

Following the poll taken on the FoDS WhatsApp Group, we will be looking to host our next meeting online, this will hopefully allow more flexibility for families and enable more parents to join us.

It's important to remember that you don't have to take on a committee role to help, just offering support and suggestions when you are able to is much appreciated. Many hands make light work.

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We plan to make more use of the FoDS WhatsApp Group moving forward; to advertise help needed, ask for recommendations, etc, so please join using the link below:

<https://chat.whatsapp.com/EWsX6Mv7TA8C2RGfxpym4p>

HOW YOU CAN HELP TODAY ... Join Easy Fundraising

HOW YOU CAN HELP... EASY FUNDRAISING

1. ADD EASY FUNDRAISING USING THIS QR CODE
2. CHOOSE YOUR CHARITY
Create an account and select Friends of Dawpool School as your chosen Charity.
3. ENABLE EASY FUNDRAISING on your phone and computer.
4. SHOP ONLINE
Shop as you would usually online and Easy Fundraising will tell you when there is a donation available.

"I HAVE RAISED £147.15 FOR SCHOOL OVER THE LAST 6 MONTHS JUST BY ENABLING EASY FUNDRAISING, EVERY LITTLE HELPS"

FoDS

Easy Fundraising is an app that can be enabled on your phone and computer. Certain websites offer donations to your chosen charity with every purchase you make. Do you buy your food shopping online? Buy your clothes online? Book your holiday online?... All these things can raise money for school through Easy Fundraising.

All you have to do is choose *Friends of Dawpool School* as your charity and shop online as you would normally – it couldn't be easier to help raise money from the comfort of your own home.

The more people who join, and the more Easy Fundraising is used, the more money that is raised for school.

"I have raised £147.15 for school over the last 6 months just by enabling Easy Fundraising, it's so easy"

Join today using the referral link to raise an additional £5 for FoDS once you've raised your first £5

https://www.easyfundraising.org.uk/support-a-good-cause/step-1/?char=146649&invite=8roqkp&referralcampaign=s2s&utm_campaign=refCROtest

COMPETITION TIME – By joining you are also automatically entered into the FoDS Easy Fundraising Competition. The member who

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raises the most money through donations on Easy Fundraising this school year, whether that be a parent, teacher, grandparent or friend, will win a meal voucher for two. The competition starts from **Friday 29/10/2023** and will run up until **12/07/2024** and the winner will be announced and awarded their prize following this. You can keep an eye on your progress on the Easy Fundraising App – Good Luck.

School Photographs Thursday 5th October

Our school photographer will be visiting school on the morning of **Thursday 5th October** to take individual photographs. We request that all children **wear their winter uniform** for their photograph with shirts and ties.

Please note that children who would normally wear their PE kit on a Thursday should come to school in their uniform instead.

Important Health and Safety matter

Please can we ask that parents/carers carefully supervise their children while waiting in the quiet area (by the ship) at the beginning and end of the school day.

It has been noted that children are climbing on the walls and steps, swinging from the rope and

generally being allowed to run around unsupervised. Please keep any children by your side while you wait. Thank you for your support with this important health and safety matter.



WhatsApp Groups

We understand that the class WhatsApp groups are a valuable means of communication within our parent community. However, we kindly ask that parents refrain from discussing pupils and staff, or speculating on school matters on this and similar platforms. At Dawpool School, we have established clear channels of communication which can be found in our [Home School Communication Procedures](#). These procedures are designed to ensure that all members of our school community communicate in the most appropriate manner in accordance with our school [Vision & Values](#).

School Admissions

Applications for Foundation 2 and Year 7 school places in September 2024

If your child is due to move up to Foundation 2 in primary school or Year 7 in secondary school in

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September 2024, and you are a Wirral resident, the online application process opened on **1 September 2023**.

For Year 7 in September 2024 the deadline for applying is **31 October 2023**.

For Foundation 2 the deadline is **15 January 2024**.

For more information about the application process go to:
<http://www.wirral.gov.uk/schooladmissions>
or phone 0151 666 4600.

Please contact schools directly for information about open events and admissions arrangements.

Dawpool Admissions – September 2024

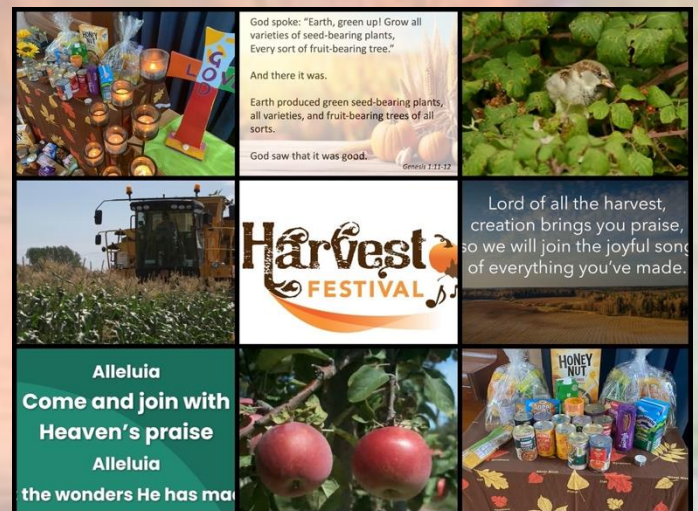
If you would like your child to join our Foundation 1 (Pre-School) or Foundation 2 (Reception) class in September 2024, please visit our [Admission to Dawpool](#) page for more information. We have lots of opportunities to come and visit the school this term, so please contact the school office to book an appointment: 0151 648 3412 (option 4)

EYFS Parents' Evenings

Parents' Evenings for Foundation 1 and

Foundation 2 will take place in school next week. Parents should have received a link to book their appointment online. Any problems, please contact the school office. We look forward to seeing you next week.

Harvest Festival



The whole school united on Monday to celebrate the Harvest Festival, a special occasion of giving thanks for the blessings of God's creation and the food provided by the hard work of farmers, haulage, factory, and shop workers. Thank you for your generous contributions to our Harvest Table, which will benefit the Wirral Foodbank. Your kindness and generosity are greatly appreciated.

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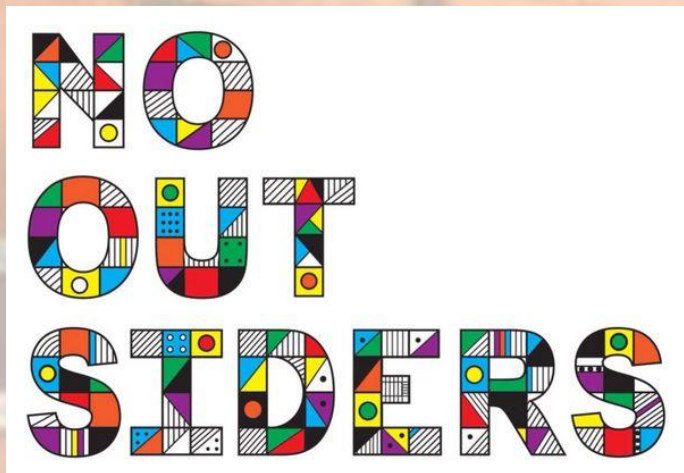
Some of our Year 6 pupils have organised some fundraising activities on **Wednesday 5th October** in aid of the RSPCA.

Children are invited to bring 50p to participate in the activities.

At Dawpool we have a strong emphasis on encouraging our pupils to become courageous advocates - people who champion a cause which is special and meaningful to them.

Find out more about Dawpool's approach to developing Courageous Advocacy on our website [here](#).

Equality & Diversity



At Dawpool we talk about Equality and Diversity in an age-appropriate way using a range of 42 picture books that show different people in stories, and we make sure that children understand that no matter who you are, you are welcome in our school - there are 'No Outsiders'.

Please visit our website [here](#) for a summary of every book that is included in Dawpool's Equality & Diversity curriculum.



School Library

Our School Library has recently been enhanced to further promote reading for pleasure. There are clearly designated sections for different authors, genres and reading stages, including fiction, non-fiction and poetry.

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We have recently appointed pupils to the position of Library Ambassadors who will supervise the use of the library at playtimes and lunchtimes and will be strong advocates for reading across the school.



Dawpool has a [Reading Spine](#) for each year group, outlining all of the books they will enjoy in the curriculum during the school year.

The Dawpool website also includes [Recommended Reading Lists](#) to provide ideas for age-appropriate reading at home.

CHURCH NEWS

For more information about St Bartholomew's

Thurstaston and St Chad's Irby, please visit:

Website:

<https://www.thurstaston.org.uk/>

Email:

office@thurstaston.org.uk

Facebook:

<https://www.facebook.com/stchadsstbarts/>

Twitter:

<https://twitter.com/StBartsStChads>

Forthcoming Church Services

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Morning Prayer St Chad's Prayer Room 9.00am MOST Mondays, Wednesdays & Fridays (check with Revd Jane for cancellations due to other meetings or commitments)	
EVERY Wednesday 10.30am HC at St Chads	
Sun 1st October	9.00am BCP Communion at St Bart's 10.30am Holy Communion at St Barts
Sun 8th October	9.00am BCP Communion at St Bart's 10.30am All-Age Worship at St Chad's
Sun 15th October	9.00am BCP Communion at St Bart's 10.30am Morning Worship at St Barts

National Teaching Assistants Day



Today is National Teaching Assistants Day. We

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are sure you will want to join us in thanking all of Dawpool's support staff for their dedication and commitment to our school and their amazing support for pupils, families and staff.

We are blessed to have such a wonderful Dawpool Team!

Have a lovely weekend

David Burrows
Head Teacher.

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