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### WHEN WE RETURN

#### Monday 5<sup>th</sup> June

Swimming (Y5/6) All week

#### Tuesday 6<sup>th</sup> June

#### Wednesday 7<sup>th</sup> June

3.30-4.30pm Chess Club Y3-6

#### Thursday 8<sup>th</sup> June

3.45-4.15pm Choir rehearsal Y3-6

3.30-4.30pm Summer Sports Club  
F2 Y1 Y2

#### Friday 9<sup>th</sup> June

### Bingo Night - Saturday 10th June

Tickets - £6



The Bingo Night is just 2 weeks away! If you are planning to come along, please buy your tickets by **Friday 2nd June** so we can confirm numbers to the venue. DJ Milky will be hosting this event and it is open to all parents, teachers, friends and family. **BUY YOUR TICKETS ONLINE NOW:** <https://friends-of-dawpool-school.sumupstore.com/product/adult-bonza-bingo-night>.



### FoDS News

#### Coronation Cake Sale – Friday 26th May

Thank you to everyone who donated cakes and the Year 6's who helped at the cake sale today. We managed to raise £116.75.

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### **Father's Day Sale – Tuesday 13th June**



For Father's Day, and to celebrate all the marvellous men in our lives, we are inviting the children to buy a gift at £2.50 each in school on **Tuesday 13th June**. Cash can be bought on the day, or you can buy online and the children will be issued with a token on the morning of the sale. Use the link below to buy online:

<https://friends-of-dawpool-school.sumupstore.com/product/fathers-day-sale>

### **Summer Fair – Saturday 1st July**

Please save the date for this year's Summer Fair. This is our biggest event of the year to bring the local community together to raise funds for the school and have an enjoyable afternoon with family and friends. This event really does require

a lot of help on the day in order to run everything that has been planned in the months leading up to the fair. The support from all parents and staff would therefore be very much appreciated. All we ask is for an adult from each family to offer an hour of their time to man a stall on the day. An online helpers list will be shared following the weeks holiday so we would be really grateful if you could take a look and sign up where you can.

### **Summer Fair Stalls**

Do you have your own business or know someone who does? There are opportunities to buy a stall space at the Summer Fair on Saturday 1st July. Please send all enquiries to [friendsofdawpoolschool@gmail.com](mailto:friendsofdawpoolschool@gmail.com) or speak with your class rep

### **Second Hand Uniform**



Mrs Poston and other staff members will be running a second-hand uniform pop up shop at the Summer Fair on 1st July! Please save all your school uniform items that you will no longer

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be needing so we can recycle them and make some extra funds to go straight back to the children in school. We will let you know when we would like this dropping off to school.

### SUMMER DISCO

To finish off the school year, we are inviting children from all year groups to the Summer Disco on **Friday 7th July**.

We are looking for volunteers to take on the planning for the discos next year. If you are interested in helping and would be willing to shadow Emma at the disco in July, please speak with one of the committee members, your class reps or email

[friendsofdawpoolschool@gmail.com](mailto:friendsofdawpoolschool@gmail.com). Thank you.

#### FoDS Meeting

Please save the date for the next FoDS Meeting, **Thursday 15th June, 7:30pm at the Anchor**

#### INSET Days 2023-24

Please note the changes to the **INSET days** for 2023-24 advertised in the newsletter last week. The changes are due to the election date in May 2024 and arrangements for staff training.

- **Monday 4<sup>th</sup> September 2023**
- **Tuesday 5<sup>th</sup> September 2023**
- **Thursday 2<sup>nd</sup> May 2024**
- **Monday 22<sup>nd</sup> July 2024**
- **Tuesday 23<sup>rd</sup> July 2024**

Please note that children will return to school after the Summer break on **Wednesday 6<sup>th</sup> September**.

These INSET days have been added to the [school calendar](#).

#### School Dinners

We will return on week 1 of our school dinner menu therefore, as mentioned recently, any children on packed lunches who would like Hot Dog (or any of the other options that day) on **Wednesday** let the class teacher know on the day.

#### School Dinners Payment

The request for our final dinner money invoice will be sent out today. Please endeavour to pay this within the first week back after half term or contact us if there is a problem with this.

If your child does not wish to continue on school dinners in September or alternatively wants to go onto school dinners, please can you let us know in writing/email by the end of June. Many thanks.

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### Behaviour Policy 2023-24

Dawpool is currently introducing a new behaviour policy which has been carefully developed over several months. Teachers have collaborated to discuss the changes and have received up-to-date training on positive behaviour management during the INSET day earlier this month.

The most significant alteration in the behaviour policy is the elimination of the coloured zones for behaviour. Instead, the approach focuses on the principle of "praise in public and remind in private," and is closely aligned with Dawpool's Christian vision and values.

The new policy aligns with six recommendations that have been outlined in the Education Endowment Foundation (EEF) guidance on [Improving Behaviour in Schools](#) (2021).

We value parent and carer opinions on the draft policy and encourage you to read and provide feedback. A downloadable copy of the policy is available under the policies tab of the school website [here](#). Feedback can be submitted via email to [schooloffice@dawpool.wirral.sch.uk](mailto:schooloffice@dawpool.wirral.sch.uk).

We value and consider all feedback from parents and carers in further refining the policy over the coming months. The new policy will be fully implemented by September 2023.

### Home-School Communication Procedures

Parents and carers are encouraged to look at Dawpool's Home-School communication procedures which have recently been revised in accordance with recommendations in the Education Endowment Foundation (EEF) guidance 'Working with Parents to Support Children's Learning'

Dawpool's Home-School communication procedures can be found on our school website under the policies tab [here](#).

### 11 + Registration – Year 5 Pupils

Please note that the registration window for pupils to sit the 11+ examination in September 2023 closes on **31<sup>st</sup> May**. Please register at <http://www.wirral.gov.uk/schooladmissions>. If parents are unable to register online, they can obtain paper forms by calling the Call Centre on 0151 666 4600.

If you have any questions about registering for the 11+ or the selective testing process, please contact mainstream admissions as follows:

Email: [secondaryplaces@wirral.gov.uk](mailto:secondaryplaces@wirral.gov.uk)

Phone: 0151 666 4600.

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It was lovely to welcome families to the KS2 sports day this week. The afternoon was bustling with excitement and offered lots of opportunity for all pupils to take part in a variety of competitive races. It was a delight to witness every pupil give their best effort and show good sportsmanship throughout. A big round of applause to not only the children who participated in the races but also to those who generously helped in setting up the activities and ensured that everything ran smoothly. Together, everyone made the event a huge success!

#### Tuesday 4<sup>th</sup> July – Y1 & Y2 Sports Afternoon.

Parents and carers of children in **Y1 and Y2** are invited to attend school to watch the children participate in an afternoon of sport and fitness on **Tuesday 4<sup>th</sup> July at 2:00pm.**



#### Tuesday 27<sup>th</sup> June at 2:00pm The Big Toddle – F1 & F2

Parents of carers of children in **F1 and F2** are invited to attend school for the Barnardo's Big Toddle on **Tuesday 27<sup>th</sup> June at 2.00 pm.** All of the children will be taking part in this short, sponsored walk and families are welcome to come along and join in. Further information will be shared with families shortly.



Pupils in Years 5 and 6 will attend swimming lessons at Calday Pool each day from Monday 5<sup>th</sup> June to Friday 9<sup>th</sup> June. All pupils in Years 5 and 6 should come to school each day wearing a tracksuit and trainers with their swimming costume and towel in a separate bag.



Dawpool's daily act of collective worship is viewed as an integral and important part of school life. Through this and in the general ethos of the school we seek to promote our vision:

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**the person, love and work of Jesus Christ: a school which enables Christian values to flourish and where all children may experience the abundant life that Jesus offers.'**

Worship is a time where we come together to share our love of God and celebrate our achievements together. The worship of the school is based on promoting the **Person, Love and Work of Jesus** which permeates the ethos of the school. Worship is when we meet to acknowledge and reflect in God's word and the teachings of Jesus.

### Work of Jesus (Our Learning Values)

**Jeremiah 29:11**

*"For I know the plans I have for you," declares the Lord. "Plans to prosper you and not to harm you, plans to give you hope and a future."*

This half term the children have explored the values of **Planning, Meta-Learning and Making Links**. We have also explored the values of **Joy and Peace**. The children have used the teachings of Jesus to reflect on these values:

**Matthew 22:34-40**

*Jesus shares the Greatest Commandment*

**Luke 11:1-4**

*Jesus teaches us how to pray (The Lord's Prayer)*

**Luke 24**

*The resurrection of Jesus*

**Matthew 28:16-20**

*The Great Commission*

**Acts 2**

*The Holy Spirit comes at Pentecost*

### Person of Jesus (Our Christian Values)

**Galatians 5:22-23**

*'The Fruit of the Spirit is Love, Joy, Peace, Patience, Kindness, Generosity, Faithfulness, Gentleness and Self-Control.'*

This half term the children have explored **Social Justice and Courageous Advocacy**:

**What is Social Justice?**

*The Parable of the Lost Sheep.*

**Why is Social Justice Important?**

*The Parable of the Good Samaritan.*

**Key Principles of Social Justice: fairness, compassion, respect and equality.**

*Jesus tells the story of The Persistent Widow  
The story of Joseph*

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#### **What is courageous advocacy?**

*The story of Daniel.*

#### **Why is courageous advocacy important?**

*The example of Nehemiah .*

#### **How can I be a Courageous Advocate?**

*A recap of the Easter Story*

For more information about our HeartSmart Curriculum, please go to our website [here](#).

#### **Soundtrack to Worship**

Dawpool loves to sing! We sing a wide repertoire of songs in Collective Worship covering many musical styles and genres, both traditional and modern. A selection of songs that we sing during Worship is available on our school website [here](#) for families to enjoy at home.

### **Love of Jesus (Our HeartSmart Actions)**

**Matthew 22: 36:40**

*'Love the Lord God with all your heart with all your soul and with all your mind. Love your neighbour as yourself.'*

This half term, the children have reflected on our **HeartSmart Actions** through the Relationships and Health Education Curriculum.

HeartSmart is a scheme of work that we use to build character, emotional health and resilience in children. It equips them with foundational principles, skills, habits and a mindset that will improve their mental health, relationships and academic achievement. HeartSmart is delivered around 6 key topics:

- **Get Heart Smart**
- **Don't forget to let love in**
- **Too much selfie isn't healthy**
- **Don't rub it in, rub it out**
- **Fake is a mistake**
- **No way through, isn't true**

## **BRITISH VALUES**

In Worship each week, Dawpool pupils focus on a **big question**, based on a current news story, which relates to one of the fundamental British Values: **Democracy, Rule of Law, Individual Liberty, Mutual Respect, Tolerance of Different Faiths and Beliefs.**

This half term, pupils have focused on the following questions:

- **Can you prepare for emergency situations?**
- **How do you learn best?**
- **How do you choose to celebrate significant events? (the Coronation)**

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- Do you think music has a positive impact on the world?
- Should all animals be treated equally?
- Has being online changed things for the better?

For more information about our British Values Curriculum, please go to our website [here](#).

### Celebration Worship

Each Friday, we present awards to pupils who have displayed our school values in action:

- Learning Values Award
- Fruit of the Spirit Award
- Dawpool Special Mention

Congratulations to all pupils who have received awards this half term.

### 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](mailto:office@thurstaston.org.uk)

**Facebook:**

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

**Twitter:**

<https://twitter.com/StBartsStChads>

### Forthcoming Church Services

	EVERY Wednesday 10.30am HC at St Chads
Sun 28th May	9.00am BCP Communion at St Bart's 10.30am Communion at St Chad's
Sun 4th June	9.00am BCP Communion at St Bart's 10.30am Holy Communion at St Barts
Sun 11th June	9.00am BCP Communion at St Bart's 10.30am All Age Service at St Chad's

Pupils return to school on Monday 5<sup>th</sup> June.  
Have a lovely half term break.

David Burrows  
Head Teacher



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