



DAWPOOL C.E. (AIDED) PRIMARY SCHOOL

... Growing the Fruit of the Spirit

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Welcome back to the new school year. We hope you had an enjoyable holiday. The pupils have settled into their new classes and have enjoyed being back with their friends and teachers. A special welcome to all of the new pupils and parents who have joined us this week.

As we return to school, the government no longer recommend that it is necessary to keep children in consistent groups or 'bubbles'. This means that assemblies can resume, and we no longer need to stagger start and finish times or avoid mixing at lunch or playtimes. A copy of the school's risk assessment is available on our [website](#) together with the school's contingency plan, which covers the possibility that it may become necessary to reintroduce 'bubbles' for a temporary period, to reduce mixing between groups.

We will of course inform parents if the contingency plan needs to be implemented.

We hope that with everyone's continued vigilance and support, school will run smoothly during the autumn and winter months.

Foundation Governor Vacancy

We are looking to appoint a foundation governor at our school and would like you to consider whether you could serve God in this way. A letter with more information was sent to parents last Friday and can be viewed [here](#). If you are interested, please contact Rev Jane Turner rector@thurstaston.org.uk



PE TIMETABLE

The children will have PE lessons on the following days:

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Foundation 1: Tuesday

Foundation 2: Monday

Year 1: Thursday

Year 2: Tuesday

Year 3: Thursday

Year 4: Monday

Year 5: Tuesday

Year 6: Wednesday

Children may come to school on their PE day wearing their PE kit:

- Navy shorts or skorts
- White t-shirt (with or without school logo)
- Plain navy tracksuit (in colder weather)
- Trainers

Children should not wear 'own clothes' or football kits on their PE day. It is important that all pupils adhere to the items of PE uniform listed above.

If the children are using the forest school area, they will wear school uniform. Parents will be informed when forest school activities are taking place as the children will need to bring a pair of wellies

or sturdy shoes and a waterproof coat.



Next Friday, **17th September**, the class webpages will be ready for the new academic year. Each class webpage will provide parents and carers with an overview of the children's learning on a week-to-week basis. Your child's class webpage will include:

- A new timetable of lessons each week.
- Links to important curriculum resources and online platforms
- Recommended reading list
- Statutory spelling lists
- Homework expectations
- How to contact the class teacher

Next Friday, we will upload a **class information pack** to each class webpage, containing helpful information about the school year.

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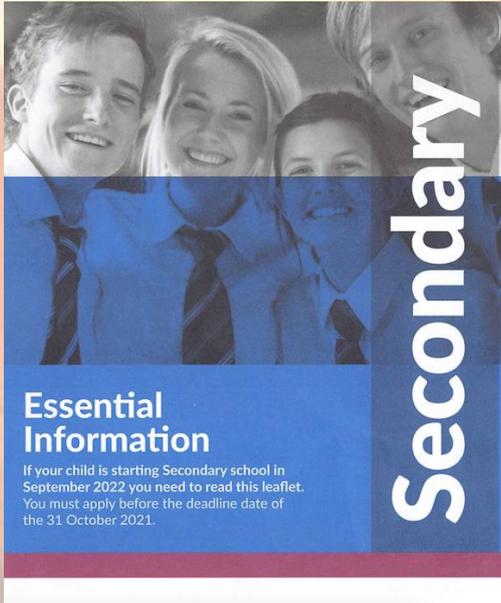


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Please contact the secondary schools directly for information about open events and admissions arrangements.

Pupils who are enrolled to sit the 11+ examination have received a **Test Day Identity Form**. The ID forms should be completed by the parent and returned to school as soon as possible for Mr Burrows to verify your child's photograph with a school stamp. We will then return the ID form to you and your child must take the form with them to the test centre on the date of their examination to confirm their identity.

Secondary School Admissions Arrangements – September 2022

The online application process for children who are due to start Year 7 in September 2022 is now open.

Children in Year 6 have today brought home a leaflet to explain how to apply for a secondary school place. The leaflet can also be downloaded [here](#). The deadline for applications is **Sunday 31st October 2021**.



On **Friday 15th October** we will be holding our annual harvest festival in school. This year, we are collecting harvest items for the **Wirral Foodbank**. The latest list of much needed items for 2021 can be found [here](#). Please send your donations for our harvest table into

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school from **Monday 11th October**. Thank you for supporting this important cause.

TERM DATES

To ensure high rates of attendance, we have included all term dates until **Summer 2024** on the [website calendar](#). Please be aware of the school term dates when booking your family holidays to avoid requesting days away from school.

Inset Days

The remaining INSET Days for 2021-22 are as follows:

Friday 22nd October 2021
Monday 4th January 2022
Thursday 5th May 2022
Tuesday 7th June 2022

Public Holiday for the Queen's Platinum Jubilee

The DfE has laid regulations to reduce the minimum number of sessions schools are required to meet in the academic year 2021/22 and enable everyone to celebrate the Platinum Jubilee of Her Majesty the Queen on **3rd June 2022**.

As part of the celebrations, people will be able to enjoy a UK-wide four-day weekend in recognition of the first time that a British monarch has reached this milestone. The additional bank holiday falls in our May half term so schools are able to take the day at another time.

Dawpool will be closed for the **Bank Holiday on Monday 6th June 2022**.

Flu Immunisation

We have received notification that the flu nasal spray will be administered to pupils in F2-Y6 on **Thursday 18th November**. The flu immunisation is only administered with parental consent and the relevant forms and information will be sent home

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Wraparound Care Payments/Pre-school / Lunchtime payments & School dinners

Payments for all of the above are paid online via SchoolMoney and you should have received a text and email requesting payment. Wraparound care, pre-school and lunchtime sessions are payable for the month and school dinners for the half term. Payments should be made by Monday. Any problems please contact Mandy Parr at the School Office on option 4 or by email at mparr@dawpool.wirral.sch.uk.

Church News

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From September

The new pattern of services will be:-

- 9.00am BCP HC at St Bartholomew's – every week
- 10.30am service every week:-
 - 1st Sunday – HC at St Barts
 - 2nd Sunday – All age at St Chads
 - 3rd Sunday – MW at St Barts
 - 4th Sunday – HC at St Chads
 - 5th Sunday – Baptism at St Barts – or HC if no baptism booked
- Wednesday 10.30am HC at St Chad's – every week

SERVICES IN CHURCH:-

Sun 12th September 9.00am BCP HC at St Barts
10.30am All Age at St Chads
Sun 19th September 9.00am BCP HC at St Barts
10.30am MW at St Barts
Sun 26th September 9.00am BCP HC at St Barts
10.30am HC at St Chads

Wednesdays 10.30am HC at St Chad's

Have a lovely weekend

David Burrows
Head Teacher

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