



DAWPOOL CHURCH OF ENGLAND PRIMARY SCHOOL

... The Abundant Life that Jesus Offers

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We are well into October now and the year is flying by. I can't believe we only have one week left until half term. This week, we have seen a noticeable increase in the number of children and staff experiencing cold and flu-like symptoms. As always, the health and wellbeing of our school community is a top priority.

We are reminding all children of the importance of good hygiene practices, particularly the **"Catch it, Bin it, Kill it"** approach:

- **Catch it** – Always use a tissue to catch coughs and sneezes.
- **Bin it** – Dispose of tissues straight away.
- **Kill it** – Wash hands thoroughly with soap and water or use hand sanitiser.

We kindly ask for your support in reinforcing these messages at home.



The children have been practising their singing for our Harvest worship and their voices have been sounding wonderful. They are all really excited about our giant cereal box domino trail and are hoping it will run from Year 2 all the way to the hall. Thank you for the many donations of cereal boxes that we have received so far. It is not too late to bring in a cereal

box. If you are wishing to donate, please bring it to school on Monday morning. After our domino rally, all cereal boxes will then be donated to the Wirral Foodbank, helping to support families in need within our local community.

Year 5 had an enjoyable time at Birkenhead School yesterday participating in their Bridges Tag Rugby and Netball event. Mr Cushion and Mr Dagnall were particularly impressed by their enthusiasm. They benefited from engaging in a range of attacking and defending drills before participating in a tournament.

"I didn't think I'd be any good at netball but I really enjoyed it." Lealah

"The exercises were very very fun. I definitely got better at running. The lunch was very rewarding." Luke

I had the opportunity to attend the cross country race on Monday and all I can say is 'wow'! I was so impressed with the stamina and determination shown - I was tired just watching them tackle the challenging course and distance. Well done!

At the end of this half term, we will be saying a fond farewell to Mrs Thompson, who has been a valued part of our Dawpool family for the past two years. Mrs Thompson has played a vital role in supporting children through interventions and has had a positive impact on so many of our pupils.

She will be moving on to pursue her passion for working with children with special educational needs, and while we are sad to see her go, we are

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incredibly proud of her and wish her every success in this next chapter of her career.

Thank you, Mrs Thompson, for your hard work, dedication, and the kindness you've shown to both children and staff during your time with us. You will be greatly missed.

Thank you once again for your continued support. If you have any questions or concerns, please don't hesitate to get in touch.

Warm regards,

Mrs Helen Griffiths.

NEXT WEEK

Monday 20th October

Tuesday 21st October

Wednesday 22nd October

Forest School for F2

3.30-4.30 pm Chess Club

Thursday 23rd October

FoDs meeting 7pm at The Anchor

Friday 24th October

Lunchtime Violin Club

Dates for your Diary

The KS1 Christmas Nativity performances are to be held on 3rd December at 9.30am and 2.30pm in the School Hall.



Due to Mrs Ham being poorly this week, Year 1's Forest School session unfortunately had to be postponed.

Next week will be F2's turn for fun at Forest School.



Poppy Appeal

This year we are again supporting the Poppy Appeal and we are selling items such as snap bands and reflectors, with prices ranging from 20p to £1.50. Additionally, we will be selling the traditional poppies. Please send in any donations with your children if you wish to support this appeal.

Open Morning

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We are excited to invite prospective parents and carers to our **Open Morning** on Wednesday 5th and Thursday 13th November for children due to start in **Foundation 1 (Nursery)** and **Foundation 2 (Reception)** in September 2026. Open mornings will be at 9.30am and 11am.

Come along and see our fantastic Early Years setting in action! There will be an opportunity to:

- Tour the learning environments
- Meet our friendly staff
- Ask questions about our curriculum and daily routines
- Learn about how we support children as they begin their school journey

Please contact the school office to book your appointment on 0151 648 3412. We look forward to meeting you.



Wednesday - KS2 chess club.

Friday-Cross-country lunchtime club Y4 5 & 6.

Friday-Violin Club Y3-6



FoDS News

Thank you again to everyone who helped make the disco possible.

We are delighted to say this event made £1,427.61 profit, which is fantastic.

We hope that you will be able to join us at the Anchor Inn, Irby next **Thursday 23rd October at 7pm** for our next meeting to discuss events in the run up to Christmas.

Christmas Wreath Workshop – Thursday 27th November

We are very excited to be hosting a Christmas wreath workshop next month.

For more information and to book online please use the link below:

<https://friends-of-dawpool-school.sumupstore.com/product/christmas-wreath-workshop>

There are a limited number of places available so please book quickly to avoid missing out.

Santa Comes to Irby Friday 28th November

Many events are planned for Friday 28th November when Santa visits Irby. The light switch on is due at 6.15pm.

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CHURCH NEWS

Forthcoming Services

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

Sunday 19th Oct	9.00am BCP Communion at St Bartholomew's 10.30am Morning Worship at St Bart's
Sunday 26th Oct	9.00am BCP Communion at St Bartholomew's
Bible Sunday	10.30am 10.30 am Communion at St Chad's with Junior Church
Sunday 2nd Nov	9.00am BCP Communion at St Bartholomew's 10.30am Holy Communion at St Bart's 6.30pm 10.30 Service of Remembrance and Thanksgiving at St Chad's

For more information about Services and events at St Bartholomew's Thurstaston and St Chad's Irby, please visit:

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