

DAWPOOL NEWS ISSUE 14 9th July 2021

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Next week we say goodbye to our wonderful Year 6 pupils as they move onto their secondary schools. We hope to be able to make their final days at Dawpool as special as we can under the circumstances, culminating in a special graduation/presentation service and a leavers' party on Friday 16th July. Photographs and video clips of our leavers' activities will be made available on the school website and Twitter feed. We have written to Year 6 parents with the arrangements.



Year 6 have each received a beautiful book entitled 'It's Your Move' and a personalised card

from Revd Jane and the Church community to help them as they leave Dawpool. It certainly cheered everyone up after the disappointment of transition days being cancelled. A big thank you to Revd Jane.

Summer Reading Challenge 2021



Wirral Libraries are, once again, taking part in the Reading Agency's Summer Reading Challenge.

Children can take part in the Challenge online at <u>wildworldheroes.org.uk</u>, or, for children who want to visit the library to take part, there will be collectors' wallets that they can complete by adding stickers awarded for the books they read. There will be certificates for all children taking part, and medals for children who complete the challenge by reading six or more books.

We do hope you will able to participate either online or at your local library.

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Get ready for Summer Learning

The Oak National Academy is providing free, easy-to-use lessons and activities to help pupils get ready for September. This includes the <u>Summer Classroom</u> with free lessons, resources and activities in five core subjects to keep children learning over the summer.

And don't forget - summer holidays are important for taking a break from studying so check out the <u>Summer Enrichment</u> activities too. Oak Academy have worked with a range of partner organisations like BAFTA, Youth Sport Trust and Place2Be to help children master new skills and keep their body and mind healthy during the summer.

Staffing 2021-22

The letter detailing the classroom staffing arrangements for the new academic year was emailed to parents earlier this week. A copy can also be downloaded from the <u>Dawpool News</u> tab on the school website.

New Appointment

We are delighted to inform you that Ms Nikki Johnson has been appointed to the role of Foundation 1 Learning Support Assistant from September and will be working alongside Mrs Heron. Ms Johnson brings lots of experience of working in Early Years' settings and she is currently a nursery leader and Early Years SENDCo. She will be an excellent addition to the Dawpool team.

INSET Days 2021-22

There will be five INSET days next year as follows:

Wednesday 1st September 2021 Friday 22nd October 2021 Tuesday 4th January 2022 Thursday 5th May 2022 (Local Elections) Tuesday 7th June 2022

All of the school holidays and Bank Holidays for 2021-22 are on the <u>Calendar</u> of the school website.

Please make sure that family holidays are not booked in term_time as they will not be approved and will be recorded as unauthorised absence and may incur a fixed penalty notice.

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Euros Menu

A big thank you to our kitchen staff for organising the special Euros menus at lunchtimes over the last few weeks. They have been hugely popular.



Dessert / Slushi treats!

A letter has gone home to all children on packed lunches offering them the opportunity to purchase a dessert or slushi drink next Thursday 15th July to supplement their own packed lunch. The children who are on School dinners will get these choices as part of their normal meal and included in that cost.

School Dinner Money/Wraparound Care Payments

Please could all outstanding payments for wraparound care and dinner money be paid by the end of the weekend?

May we remind you once again that all of these payments should be paid within 3 days of receiving the request to pay? Thank you for your cooperation.



All parents of the pupils in Years 2-5 should have received a separate email with details of how to sign up for piano or guitar lessons with Simon Harper Music from September or with Edsential for those interested in brass, woodwind, vocal or percussion lessons.

COVID-19 Update

As you will be aware, the Prime Minister updated the nation on the proposals for step 4 of the government roadmap. This was followed by the Education Secretary update on arrangements for schools in September. Full details from what was announced and some frequently asked questions can be found on the Government website.

Case numbers are still high and rising in Wirral, and we remain an area with 'enhanced support' measures in place, so with any national decision we also need to be conscious of the local situation and advice from our own Public Health team.

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We are looking carefully at the national and local guidance and hope to be able to write to parents next week with the arrangements for September.

Church News



Please visit https://www.thurstaston.org.uk/ for information about this week's services. You can also visit the Church Facebook Page.

Website: https://www.thurstaston.org.uk/ Email: office@thurstaston.org.uk Facebook: https://www.facebook.com/stchadsstbarts/ Twitter: https://twitter.com/StBartsStChads

JULY 2021 SERVICES

ZOOM Services:-Rector

July 4th 6.00pm ALL AGE Service July 11th and 18th NO Service July 25th 6.30pm Evening Prayer

SERVICES IN CHURCH:-Joining details available by emailing the YOU WILL NEED TO BOOK FOR THESE SERVICES - details on the website and in the parish magazine. July 4th 8.00 am HC at St Barts 's 9.30 am MW at St Chad's July 11th 9.30 am HC at St Chad's 11.15 am MW at St Bart's July 18th 8.00 am HC at St Barts 's 9.30 am MW at St Chad's

> July 25th 9.30 am HC at St Chad's 11.15 am HC at St Barts's

Wednesdays 10.15am HC at St Chad's

Good Luck England..

We are expecting to have a few tired children (and adults!) on Monday morning following the Euros Final. We wish our national team the very best of luck for Sunday.

Have a lovely weekend.

David Burrows Head Teacher

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