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NEXT WEEK

Monday 20th September

11+ Examination

3.30-4.30pm Fun Fitness Years 3-6

Tuesday 21st September

3.30-4.30pm Football Club Years 4-6

Wednesday 22nd September

Thursday 23rd September

Lunchtime Choir practice

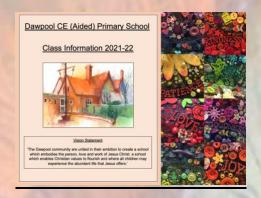
3.30-4.30pm Mini Olympics Years 1 & 2

Friday 24th September

Class Pages

The class webpages are now ready for the new academic year. Each page provides parents and carers with an overview of the children's learning on a week-to-week basis. Your child's class webpage includes:

- 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



We have also included on each class page a class information pack, containing helpful information about the school. To access the pages, please go to our website and click on the 'Class Pages' tab. The links to the individual class pages can also be found here:

F1, F2, Y1, Y2, Y3, Y4, Y5, Y6

School Money

There appears to be a problem with some of the details provided in texts and emails from 'Schoolmoney'. Not all overdue payments have been included. Please log into your



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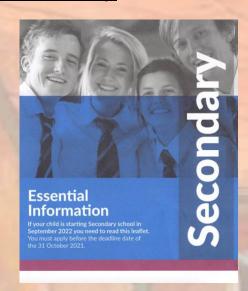
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account to check exactly what is owed. If you are still unsure please contact Mandy Parr at the school office on option 4, who will be happy to help you.

11+ Information

The 11+ test will take place on **Monday 20th September.** Just a reminder that <u>your child must take the Test Day Identity Form with them to the test centre on the day.</u>



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 previously 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**.

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

Wirral Lifelong Learning Service

The Wirral Lifelong Learning Service offer a selection of FREE courses for parents and through the **Family** Learning **Programme.** The courses are designed to help with supporting your children in school and helping with both their education and personal development. There are courses running throughout the autumn term in a range of subjects, including Reading, Phonics, Spelling, Grammar, Maths and Fractions. descriptions of all the courses can be found on: http://www.wirral.gov.uk/lifelonglearning and we have provided an overview of the autumn term courses on our website. For bookings and further information call 0151 666 3330 / 07789 542 email mailto:lifelonglearning@wirral.gov.uk



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School Lane Parking

Road Safety Officers have recommended the following procedure for people using vehicles on School Lane:

Park facing down School Lane

Vehicles should not attempt to turn around half way up School Lane. Car users are to proceed to the turning bay and turn their cars facing down School Lane before parking. This means that once the children have been dropped off or picked up, all cars should be able to leave School Lane without interfering with oncoming traffic. At no time should cars park on the zig-zag lines, across the school gates, use the car park entrance or Lane as a turning area.

Thank you for your support.

Leave of Absence Requests

Parents are discouraged from withdrawing their children from school in term time for family holidays. Head Teachers may only authorise holidays in term time in exceptional circumstances. Parents who believe their circumstances are exceptional are asked to complete an Application for Leave of Absence form which is available from the school office or on the school website. This form should be returned to the school at least 2-weeks before the proposed leave. Please note that parents

who withdraw their child for unauthorised holidays in term time may be issued with a Fixed Penalty Notice.



To ensure high rates of attendance, we have included all term dates until <u>Summer 2024</u> on the <u>website calendar</u>. Please be aware of the school term dates when booking your family holidays to avoid requesting days away from school.

HEALTHY SNACKS

We remind parents/carers that children should avoid bringing sweets, cakes or sugary snacks into school. Playtime snacks should be healthy options only. We have a <u>lunchbox policy</u> on our website that we ask parents to follow.



Many of our Key Stage 2 pupils started music tuition this week. Mr Walsh and Mr Harper are in school on Tuesdays teaching guitar, piano and



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keyboard. Mr Donaldson is in school on Wednesday mornings to deliver brass tuition and Mr Thomas is in school on Fridays delivering woodwind tuition.



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

Church News



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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 great weekend

David Burrows Head Teacher