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What a way to start the week! There was a buzz of excitement as children arrived at school ready to welcome Zack George, better known as 'Steel' from Gladiators.

Children from F2 to Y6 had the opportunity to hear Zack share his journey from childhood obesity to becoming a gladiator and the UK's fittest man. His story was full of inspiration with the important messages of how to keep healthy, have goals and to believe that you can achieve your dreams.



"Steel came to visit and told us all about being a gladiator. I never thought I would get to meet a

real gladiator." Tom Y6

"He taught us how to be healthy and to never give up." Luca Y4

A huge thank you to FoDS for both organising and funding this special event.

Year 5 and 6 had the unique opportunity to participate in a Road Safety performance, delivered by Wizard Theatre in Education Company.

'Taking the Lead' was an interactive performance using live music and comedy which promoted alternatives to car use and addressed issues that concern young people's safety on the school journey and beyond.

"It was a really good workshop. They made it really fun to learn about road safety." Ben Y6

"It was really fun because we got to sing funny songs but with really important messages about the 6 rules of road safety." Charlotte Y5

"It was really interactive and engaging." Matilde Y5

As you will be aware, School Lane poses many challenges for parking and ensuring children are safe. Please read our 'Traffic and Parking'

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information which can be found on our website to support us in ensuring the school run is as safe as possible.

https://www.dawpool.wirral.sch.uk/website/traffic_parking_information/397950

Dawpool did an amazing job once again in the cross country race at Birkenhead Park on Monday. We placed in the top 6th for both boys and girls' teams. Everyone who ran made us so proud, well done to all our runners. There's one final race left this Autumn.

I hope you have a wonderful weekend and I look forward to seeing you next week.

Warm regards,

Mrs Helen Griffiths

NEXT WEEK

Monday 5th October

3.30-4.30pm Multi Sports Cub

Tuesday 6th October

Forest School for Year 4

3.30-4.30pm Lego Club

Wednesday 7th October

Lunchtime Cross Country

3.30-4.30 pm Chess Club

Thursday 8th October

Friday 9th October



Next week is the turn of Year 4 for Forest School.



Monday-	Lunchtime Chess Club
Tuesday-	Lego Club
Wednesday	KS2 chess club.
	Cross-country lunchtime club Y4 5 & 6

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Thursday- Netball Club

Parents' Evenings for Years F1-Y6 will take place on the 20th and 21st October.

Appointments can be booked between 3.40pm and 6.30pm. More information will follow shortly by email.

Open Morning

We are excited to invite prospective parents and carers to our Open Morning on Wednesday 4th at 11am and Tuesday 10th November at either 9.15am or 11am for children due to start in Foundation 1 (Nursery) and Foundation 2 (Reception) in September 2027.

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

School Crossing Patrol Information

The School Crossing Patrol Service would like to welcome everyone back and hope that you have had a restful and enjoyable summer break.

The team is ready and excited to be back, helping everyone stay safe as they travel to and from school and being there to support, whatever the weather!

As we return to the daily routine, we ask that the following points are noted

Please use the designated crossing points where patrols are located

Drivers/Parents - remember there are 20mph speed limits on many roads around schools. They are there to keep everyone safe.

Drivers/Cyclists - Please be extra cautious around schools and be prepared to STOP when signalled by a patrol.

We look forward to another safe year ahead.



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It was such a privilege to welcome Steel to Dawpool on Monday! All the children were really engaged in the assembly and they all came up with lots of great questions during his class visits!

It was lovely to see such excitement amongst the children and staff alike! All the class photographs will be uploaded to Tapestry. Thank you to all the children for their amazing gladiator designs! We had so many!!!! They were all

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excellent which made it extremely hard to choose our winners. Congratulations to Jasmine (y1) and Bea H (y4) who won the main prizes and to our six runners up - Freddie (y2), Tom E (y3), Kye (y5), Charlotte (y5), Lealah (y6) and Leah (y6) x

CHURCH NEWS

Sunday 4 th Oct	9.00am BCP Communion at St Bartholomew's 10.30am Holy Communion at St Bartholomew's
Sunday 11 th Oct	9.00am BCP Communion at St Bartholomew's 10.30am All Age service St Chad's
Sunday 18 th Oct	9.00am BCP Communion at St Bartholomew's 10.30am Morning Worship at St Bartholomew's

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

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