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NEXT WEEK

Monday 25th September

Harvest Festival for pupils

3.30-4.30pm Performing Arts Club Y3-6

Tuesday 26th September

17:00: Year 2 Welcome Meeting

7.15pm FoDS AGM at School

Wednesday 27th September

3.30-4.30pm Chess Club Y3-6

Thursday 28th September

3.30-4.30pm Performing Arts Club Y1 and Y2

3.45-4.15pm Choir rehearsal Y3-6

Friday 29th September

12:00: Parent governor nominations close

This year, the roles of the committee will be voted on at the AGM taking place in school on **Tuesday 26th September at 7:15pm**. As always, all roles will need to be re-elected and new candidates would be most welcome. The FoDS Treasurer will be stepping down and this is an essential role that will need to be filled for FoDS to continue to function. So, if you have experience or knowledge with doing accounts, we would greatly appreciate your support to fill this vital role. We have found that filling each role with 2 people has proven very successful this last year, so if you and a friend are interested in joining the committee as a pair, you would be most welcome.

Attending the meeting is a great opportunity to contribute ideas for events and vote on how money can be spent within the school. You don't have to be a committee member to attend the meetings. We understand that families are busier than ever, so any help you are able to offer to aid our fundraising, big or small, would be fantastic. To view the job descriptions for the committee roles, please use the link below:

https://www.dawpool.wirral.sch.uk/website/friends_of_dawpool_fods_pta/255158

If you have any questions, please speak with your class representative, a committee member or email friendsofdawpoolschool@gmail.com.



FoDS News

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Cross Country Y4-Y6

A letter has gone home tonight with details of some cross-country events taking place shortly. We have only received this information at very short notice.

We will be having cross country practice at lunchtime on a Friday starting from next week. Please bring in a change of clothes and suitable shoes to change into.



On **Monday 25th September** we will be holding our annual harvest festival in school. This year, we are collecting harvest items for the **Wirral Foodbank**. Please send your donations for our harvest table in on Monday if you haven't already done so. Information about the Wirral Foodbank can be found on their website [here](#). Thank you for supporting this important cause.

We will be singing a song called 'Stars' during the harvest festival which can be viewed on the school's 'Soundtrack to Worship' page [here](#).

Welcome Meetings

Thank you to the parents and carers who joined us for the welcome meetings this week. A copy of the information shared at the meeting is available on the class pages of the school website. All of the class page links are provided below:

[F1](#), [F2](#), [Y1](#), [Y2](#), [Y3](#), [Y4](#), [Y5](#), [Y6](#)

The Year 2 meeting has been rescheduled and will take place in school on **Tuesday 26th September at 5:00pm.**

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School Admissions

Applications for Foundation 2 and Year 7 school places in September 2024

If your child is due to move up to Foundation 2 in primary school or Year 7 in secondary school in September 2024, and you are a Wirral resident, the online application process opened on **1 September 2023**.

For Year 7 in September 2024 the deadline for applying is **31 October 2023**.

For Foundation 2 the deadline is **15 January 2024**.

For more information about the application process go to:
<http://www.wirral.gov.uk/schooladmissions>
or phone 0151 666 4600.

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

Dawpool Admissions – September 2024

If you would like your child to join our Foundation 1 (Pre-School) or Foundation 2 (Reception) class in September 2024, please visit our [Admission to Dawpool](#) page for more information. We have lots of opportunities to come and visit the school this term, so please

contact the school office to book an appointment: 0151 648 3412 (option 4)



Foundation 1 Classroom

This week, the Foundation 1 children moved into a beautiful new classroom in the main school building. Pictures of the new classroom and the children enjoying their new space have been uploaded to Tapestry. Until further notice, F1 pupils will use the main entrance to enter the school in the morning, and the library doors next to the Dawpool ship at the end of the day.

The existing Foundation 1 building requires some urgent repairs to its roof and until this is completed, the children will be based in their new classroom.

Cleaning Vacancy

Dawpool currently has a vacancy for a school cleaner. Further information about the vacancy and how to apply can be found [here](#).

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Alternatively, please contact the school office for more information.

Parent Governor Vacancies

There are currently two vacancies for elected parents to join our school's Local Governing Body. A letter was sent home on Monday 11th September to invite nominations and to provide more information. They can also be found on our school website [here](#).

Please note that the closing date for nominations is next **Friday 29th September**. If you would like to discuss the governor role before submitting a nomination, please contact Mr Burrows via the school office.



Santa Comes to Irby Friday 1st December

Here is a flavour of what is planned for the night so far:

Santa's grotto will be within the marquee at the rear of the Shippons. Santa will be in situ from 4pm (or maybe 4.30) until 5.30 and again, after switching on the lights from 6.15pm. The Grotto will be free.

There will be a hot dog gazebo in the Shippons car park.

DJ Paul will once again provide seasonal music

There will be free Glo sticks for children.

Jenny Barclay will sing as "The Greatest Showman/show woman".

Hoping to book the Fire Engine again this year.

The Evangelical Church will provide mince pies, teas, coffees and toilets and in the same building.

St Chad's Church's children's craft stall once again.

The Irby Club will be hosting its own free grotto from 6pm

Friends of Irby Library (mince pies)

Aroma (homemade burgers)

The Methodist Church (tea and coffee)

The parade will arrive in the village (from the direction of Irby Village hall) at 6pm. Jenny will lead the parade as the ringmaster. It is hoped to have the participation of the classic cars. The Thwaites shire horses, and dray have been booked to transport Santa to the stage for the switch on, shortly after Santa's arrival.

It promises to great fun!

CHURCH NEWS

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

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Forthcoming Church Services

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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	
Sun 24th September HARVEST	9.00am BCP Communion at St Bart's 10.30am Communion at St Chad's with Junior Church
Sun 1st October	9.00am BCP Communion at St Bart's 10.30am Holy Communion at St Barts
Sun 8th October	9.00am BCP Communion at St Bart's 10.30am All-Age Worship at St Chad's

HARVEST FESTIVAL 24TH SEPTEMBER

9.00am BCP Communion at St Bartholomew's
10.30am Communion at St Chads

Have a lovely weekend

David Burrows
Head Teacher.

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