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WHEN WE RETURN

Monday 26th February

3.30-4.30pm Drama Club Y5Y6

Tuesday 27th February

Lunchtime Football for Girls Y3-6

3.30-4.30pm Multi Sports Club for F2 Y1 Y2

Wednesday 28th February

Lunchtime Tag Rugby for any Y5/6

3.30-4.30pm Chess Club Y3-6

Thursday 29th February

Leaps of Silver

Lunchtime Football for Boys Y3 Y4

3.30pm-4.15pm Choir

3.30pm-4.30pm Archery Club Y5Y6

Friday 1st March

'Sparkle' Day for Newlife The disabled children's charity

Lunchtime Cross Country Practice for Y4,5 & 6



FoDS News

NON-UNIFORM DAY

Thank you to everyone for the £1 donations today for non-uniform day. If you were unable to send this in with your children, please use the link below:

<https://friends-of-dawpool-school.sumupstore.com/product/non-uniform-day-16-02-2024>



LEAPS OF SILVER – THURSDAY 29TH FEBRUARY

Save all your silver coins. To recognise the Leap Year, on Thursday 29th February all of the children are being asked to bring in as many

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silver coins as they can. Each class will make a line of silver coins in the playground and the longest line will win a prize for their class.



MOTHER'S DAY SALE – MONDAY 4TH MARCH

All the children will have the opportunity to buy a gift for their Mum or another 'wonderful woman' in their life in school on Monday 4th March. Each gift will cost £2.50. You can either pre-pay using the link below and a token will be given to your child in school or cash can be brought in on the day.

<https://friends-of-dawpool-school.sumupstore.com/product/mothers-day-sale>

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WONKY BARS – FRIDAY 8TH MARCH

In the style of Roald Dahl's Charlie and the Chocolate Factory, we will be selling "Wonky Bars" to celebrate WORLD BOOK DAY.

5 winning chocolate bars will have a GOLDEN TICKET inside! There are some fabulous prizes to be won. "Wonky Bars" can be purchased online before World Book Day and will be given to children in school to bring home. Please use the link below to order:

<https://friends-of-dawpool-school.sumupstore.com/product/wonky-bars>



<http://www.newlifecharity.co.uk/>
Charity number 1170125

'Sparkle Day' for 'Newlife' the Charity for Disabled Children.

On **Friday March 1st** we will be supporting this disabled children's charity 'New Life' further with their 'Sparkle Day' by asking children to accessorise their school uniform with something sparkly (e.g. hair accessory, jewellery, shiny tights, shoes, glasses etc) in exchange for a minimum £1 donation. As a

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thank you for taking part the school staff are making cakes and one will be given to each child at morning break (allergies will be catered for).

We have 'Sparkle Day' word search for sale for 50p from the school office. All complete competition forms will be put into a draw for a prize.

PE Update

Next term the PE days for each year group are as follows:

F1F2	Friday
Y1	Wednesday
Y2	Thursday
Y3	Thursday
Y4	Tuesday
Y5	Thursday
Y6	Thursday

Children should come to school on their PE day wearing their PE kit.

Children should not wear 'own clothes' or football kits on their PE day. It is important that all pupils adhere to the correct PE kit as detailed

- Navy shorts or skorts
- White t-shirt (with or without school logo)
- Plain navy tracksuit (in colder weather)

- Trainers

We recognise that the PE days are changing quite regularly but hope you appreciate that this is to tie in with the support we receive from Clarendon Sports College and Progressive Sports who are offering many varied PE options to the children.

We are also able to offer lunchtime football for girls in Y3-Y6 on a Tuesday next term and lunchtime football to boys from Y3 & Y4 on a Thursday thanks to this support.

Any girls wishing to join the lunchtime football in years 3, 5 & 6 should bring in a kit to change into on a Tuesday and the same applies to any boys in Year 4 who wish to join the lunchtime football on a Thursday. Separate letters have been sent regarding this.

Additionally, we can offer lunchtime tag rugby to any pupil in Y5 and Y6 on a Wednesday. If your child wishes to take part, they will need to bring in a kit and footwear to change into on a Wednesday next term.

Cross Country Years 4, 5 and 6

Lunchtime Cross Country practices will resume from Friday 1st March until Friday 19th April. All pupils in Years 4, 5 and 6 are welcome to attend training even if they are unable to attend

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race events.

Race dates:

Monday 11th March – Arrowe Park
Monday 25th March – Birkenhead Park
Monday 22nd April – Arrowe Park Relay Event
- By invitation
Monday 24th June – New Brighton Dips

Further race information will be provided nearer the time.

Parents' Evening Appointments Online Booking

Our parents' evening booking system will go live on **Monday 26th February at 6:00pm** for parents of pupils in Years 2,4,5 and 6 to book an appointment.

Appointments can be booked through our school website with the login details which have been previously advised.

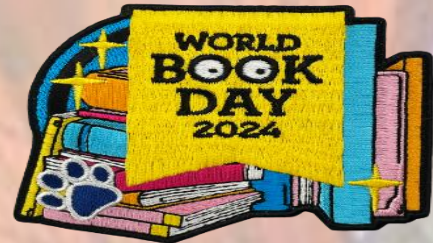
Please note that parents' evening appointments are 10-minutes duration. In fairness to everybody, it is important that we keep appointments running to schedule, so please make sure you end your appointment within the allotted time.

If you are booking consecutive appointment for siblings, we suggest you leave a short period

between appointments to allow time to move between appointments.

Thank you for your support in ensuring our parents' evenings run smoothly.

World Book Day



We are celebrating World Book Day on **Friday 8th March**. Pupils are invited to accessorise their uniform or dress up as a book character if they want to on that day. Several activities have been planned for pupils to enjoy.

- Teddies in the woods (Foundation Stage 1 and 2)
- Meet an author, Book reading and Q&A. (Years 1 and 2)
- Meet an author, Illustration workshop. (Years 3, 4, 5 and 6)
- Quidditch lessons (All year groups on their designated PE day)
- World Book Day special menu for pupils on this day (see below).
- Floral Pavilion trip to see Pinocchio (Years 3 and 4 on 18th March)

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James Warwood, a local children's author who knows Dawpool well, is giving his time for free on World Book Day to deliver workshops for children. More information will follow after half term. The World Book Day website has a section for families which includes audiobooks, stories and competitions:

<https://www.worldbookday.com/families/>

Don't forget to look out for your child's World Book Day book token which can be used to buy a £1 book or as a £1 discount. Tokens will be sent home during the week.

World Book Day Special Menu

To tie in with all our World Book Day events on Friday March 8th the kitchen staff are offering a special menu:

Cheshire Cat Cheesy Macaroni Bake.
with

Greasy Greta's Garlic Bread
and

Peter Rabbits Pea and Sweetcorn Medley

Snow White's Apple Crumble with Custard.
Hungry Caterpillar Fruit Platter

The usual choices of panini, jacket potato and deli are also available.

Order forms have gone home this week. Please can everyone ensure their form is returned by Friday March 1st. Thank you.



A huge thank you to our catering team for serving a wonderful Chinese New Year themed menu this week. Pupils and staff thoroughly enjoyed it!

Measles, Mumps and Rubella (MMR) vaccine

The UK Health Security Agency (UKHSA) has reported an increase in measles across the country and is encouraging people to check that

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they and their children have had two doses of the MMR vaccine. The free MMR vaccine is a safe and effective way of protecting against measles, as well as mumps and rubella.

Measles spreads very easily among those who are unvaccinated, especially in nurseries and schools. It can be a very unpleasant illness and, in some children, it can be serious and lead to hospitalisation and complications such as pneumonia, meningitis, blindness or seizures (fits).

Children aged between 12 months and 11 years old who have not received 2 doses of the measles, mumps, and rubella vaccine (MMR) are being offered vaccination by their GP as Wirral's School Aged Immunisation Service will continue to support any missed vaccinations for children in Year 7 and above. **Please check your child's Red Book to see if they have received MMR vaccinations as scheduled or check with your GP surgery if you're unsure.**

Most healthy adults will have developed some immunity to measles but can still receive two doses of the vaccine from their GP too.

Measles symptoms to be aware of include:

- high fever
- sore, red, watery eyes
- coughing

- aching and feeling generally unwell
- a blotchy red brown rash, which usually appears after the initial symptoms.

Anyone with symptoms is advised to stay at home and phone their GP or NHS 111 for advice.

For more information about measles, see the [nhs.uk website](https://www.nhs.uk)

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

Sun 18th February With Bishop Julie	9.00am BCP Communion at St Bartholomew's 10.30am Morning Worship at St Bartholomew's
Sun 25th February	9.00am BCP Communion at St Bartholomew's 10.30am Communion with Junior Church at St Chads
Sun 3rd March	9.00am BCP Communion at St Bartholomew's 10.30am Holy Communion at St Bartholomew's

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

Website:

<https://www.thurstaston.org.uk/>

Email:

office@thurstaston.org.uk

Facebook:

<https://www.facebook.com/stchadsstbarts/>

Twitter:

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GIVE IN LENT



HELP SUPPORT YOUR FOOD BANK WITH FOOD THIS LENT

In the 6 weeks of Lent, the food bank will provide emergency food parcels for local people and families facing hardship.

The amount of help needed is outstripping the donations we're receiving. Please donate an item or two from our shopping list, if you can.



**SHOPPING LIST
TOP TEN ITEMS**

- Chocolate
- Tinned Meat
- Tinned Fruit
- Pasta Sauce
- Tinned Vegetables
- Tinned Potatoes
- Deodorant
- Toothbrushes/Toothpaste
- Tinned Rice Pudding
- Tinned Spaghetti

THANK YOU FOR YOUR SUPPORT



Please place your donations
in the box by the office door at St Chad's

Registered Charity in England & Wales 1167967.



Irby Heart Bomb

Hearts for everyone

Put up **hearts** everywhere

Join in the **joy**

Everyone is **Loved**

February 10th – March 2nd



There is also a collection box at the school office for any donations for the Wirral foodbank during Lent.

Have a lovely half term break

The children return to school on
Monday 26th February

David Burrows
Head Teacher

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