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NEXT WEEK

Monday 15th November

3.30-4.30pm Fun Fitness Years 3-6

Tuesday 16th November

Lunchtime Lego Club

Wednesday 17th November

3.30-4.30pm Dance Club Years 4-6

Thursday 18th November

Lunchtime Choir practice

3.30-4.30pm Mini Olympics Years 1 & 2

Friday 19th November

Children in Need Day





Christmas Bazaar Friday 10th December

Preparations are well underway for this year's bazaar. We have however not received many of the reply slips back about how you can help. Could any outstanding slips be returned to school early next week please?

On <u>Friday 10th December</u>, we invite all children (parents and staff included!) to come to school in a Christmas jumper (or other Christmas-themed top).



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Paper chains will be sold from next week at lunchtimes at 50p each. The paper chain will be cut on **Monday 13th December** and the winner will receive a hamper of children's goodies.

FoDS AGM

Many thanks for the support we received at our recent AGM. It was lovely to see so many parents attending.

The committee for the year ahead is as follows:

Co-Chairs: Kimmy Green and Emma Parker

Vice Chair: Rachael Manley

Treasurer: Mandy Parr

Secretary: Gail Vickers

Publicity Officer: Ivan Kennes

Thank you for agreeing to take on these roles but we do, of course, rely on everyone's help and support to enable

all our fundraising events to be a success.



Our latest collection took place on Thursday and we earned £81 from this. Thank you.



Stikins Name Labels

Stikins are a company who supply name labels for clothes and shoes. FoDS annually receive commission from this company from any orders placed who quote our reference **5729**.

Please visit <u>www.stikins.co.uk.to</u> order.

Children's Christmas Cards/Gifts

The Christmas cards and gifts that some parents ordered have all now been sent

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home. We hope you are happy with what you received.



Friday 19th November is Children in Need. During the day, the children will be learning about this charity and taking part in some activities. Your child should wear their school uniform as normal, but may like to wear a Children in Need accessory (although this is optional).

If families wish to make a donation to Children in Need they can do so via their website:

https://donate.bbcchildreninneed.co.uk/

Food Bank Support.

As from next week, there will be a collection point by the brick shed on the pedestrian path to donate grocery items to the Wirral Foodbank. We recognise that groceries will be gratefully received by families across Wirral in the lead up to

Christmas. We appreciate your thoughtfulness and generosity.

COVID-19 Update Message from Public Health



You may be aware that rates of COVID-19 in Wirral seem to be very slowly decreasing. However, they are still too schools high and local are still experiencing COVID-19 outbreaks. As we are also entering the Winter season, viruses other than COVID will be circulating, so schools will face a huge challenge in attempting to reduce the risk of infections spreading.

Whilst we know that infection can and does happen within the school environment, our local Public Health team has told us that almost half of all Wirral's current COVID-19 cases are due to infection within households. On the basis of this, we have been asked to issue the following guidance:

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If any member of your household has tested positive for COVID-19 or has any of the main symptoms of COVID-19, your child can continue to attend their school only under the following conditions:

- 1. You should book them a PCR test (ideally on day 3-5 after they were first in contact with the household case)
- 2. You should let the setting know what the PCR test result is and if positive your child must stay at home for 10 days of self-isolation.

Your child can continue to attend their setting as long as they remain symptom-free and PCR tests are negative.

We would like to remind you that you can order test kits for your own household via the online service (<u>www.gov.uk/order-</u> <u>coronavirus-rapid-lateral-flow-tests</u> or by calling 119

Christmas Arrangements

CHRISTMAS IS COMING

We are pleased to be able to share with you the arrangements for Christmas.

Class performances are permitted to go ahead in school, but we are required to keep the size of audiences as small as possible in accordance with local health advice. Therefore our plans are as follows:



<u>'Together at Christmas'</u> <u>Class Assemblies</u>

This year each class is preparing an assembly for sharing with families in school. The aim of the assemblies is to be together as a school community for Christmas. We have missed having

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families visit school and we want nothing more than to be together again at this very special time of year. Unfortunately, due to local health restrictions, we can't invite all family members into school just yet, but 2 adult family members will be able to watch their child perform.

Each class (F1-Y5) has been allocated one day to perform their '**Together at Christmas' Class Assembly.**

The arrangements are as follows:



Tuesday 14th December

9:30am: 2 adult family members can attend per child.

(Please note that because there are fewer pupils in Foundation 1, we can safely accommodate 2 adult family members per child at this performance. There will be no afternoon performance for Foundation 1.



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Class Christmas Parties will take place on the last day of term, **Friday 17th December** for F2 – Y6. Santa will also be visiting classes during the day. Pupils may come to school in non-uniform.

The Foundation 1 Christmas Party will take place after they have performed their class assembly on **Tuesday 14th December**.



Our school Christmas Dinner will be served on Thursday 16th December.

Christmas Post

The school's Christmas post box will be available in school from Monday 6th December for pupils to post Christmas cards to their friends. Alternatively, pupils may prefer to write one card for the whole class which will be displayed in the classroom.

Please note that further information about all of our Christmas activities will be provided nearer the time. All of the Christmas dates have been added to the school calendar on the website.

Christmas Calendar



| Monday 6th | Christmas Post Box Opens |
|--------------------------|----------------------------------|
| December | 09:30: Year 1 Christmas Assembly |
| December | 14:00: Year 1 Christmas Assembly |
| Tuesday 7 th | 09:30: Year 3 Christmas Assembly |
| December | 14:00: Year 3 Christmas Assembly |
| Wednesday | 09:30: Year 5 Christmas Assembly |
| 8 th December | 14:00: Year 5 Christmas Assembly |
| Thursday 9 th | 09:30: Year 4 Christmas Assembly |
| December | 14:00: Year 4 Christmas Assembly |

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| Christmas Bazaar in school for |
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| pupils |
| Pupils can wear a Christmas |
| Jumper |
| 09:30: Year 2 Christmas Assembly |
| 14:00: Year 2 Christmas Assembly |
| 09:30: F1 Christmas Assembly |
| F1 Christmas Party |
| No afternoon performance for F1 |
| 09:30: F2 Christmas Assembly |
| 14:00: F2 Christmas Assembly |
| 12:00: Christmas Dinner |
| 18:00: Christingle Service at St |
| Bartholomew's Church, for Year 6 |
| pupils and 2 adult family |
| members per child |
| Non-School Uniform Day |
| Christmas Parties for F2-Y6 |
| Santa visit |
| End of Term |
| |

Parent - Teacher Meetings

We have really enjoyed seeing parents in school this week for our parents' meetings. We are looking forward to welcoming our final group of parents into school next week:

Year 2, Year 4 and Year 6:

Tuesday 16th & Wednesday 17th November.



E-consent for Flu immunisations

The NHS have introduced a new way to consent to school vaccinations. This process is safe and secure, easy to use saving time and paper. To complete your child's e-consent form visit www.wchc.nhs.uk/econsent/

Dawpool's code is WC105078. Please ensure you give your consent by this new process by the 15th November if you wish for your child to have their vaccine on the 18th November.

Foundation 2 Admissions 2022



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Parents can apply for a primary school place online at:

www.wirral.gov.uk/schooladmissions

The deadline date for applications closes on **Monday 15th January 2022**. Dawpool's Admissions Policy and Supplementary Form for 2022 entry can be downloaded from the <u>Admission to</u> <u>Dawpool</u> tab on the school website.

Prospective parents wishing to come and look around Dawpool should telephone the school office on 0151 648 3412 to book an appointment.

Congratulations Charlie Bibby

Charlie from Year 5 has been selected to represent Wirral at the British Athletics Cross Challenge event later in November in Sefton Park Liverpool. He was chosen as he has shown great talent and potential. Well done and good luck Charlie!



An overview of our collective worship for this week can be viewed on the school website.

twitter

Dawpool regularly provide updates of school activities on our Twitter feed @DawpoolCofE.

https://twitter.com/DawpoolCofE

F1 and F2 classes also provide regular updates on the Tapestry platform.

Curriculum

The <u>Curriculum</u> tab of the school website provides a comprehensive overview of the school's curriculum for each subject and year group. It also provides a

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rationale for the curriculum design and photographs of the curriculum in action.



The Dawpool school website is where you will find all of the information about our school. The hyperlinks below will help to signpost you to some of the most pertinent information:

Administration of Medicines Admission to Dawpool Aims Anti-Bullying (Guidance for Parents) British Values Calendar CAMHS Support Contact us Church (St Chad's & St Bartholomew's) Communication Protocol COVID-19 (Risk Assessment & Information) Emotional Literacy Support Assistant

(ELSA) Equality Objectives 2021-22 **Forest School** Friends of Dawpool School (PTA) Governance **Governor Impact Statements** Leave of Absence Request Lifelong Learning Service (Wirral) Mental Health & Wellbeing Support **Newsletters (Dawpool News) Online Safety Guidance** Policies **Reading Lists Relationships & Health Education Remote Learning Procedure** Safeguarding School Improvement Plan 2021-22 **School Meals** School Nursing Service SEND (Policy & Procedure) SEND (Support & Guidance) Staff List Term Dates 2021-22 **Traffic & Parking Information** Uniform **Vision & Values** Vision & Values Displays

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Worship (Policy & Procedure) Worship (Weekly Overview) Wrap Around Care



Sunday 14th November – Remembrance Sunday AT ST BARTHOLOMEW'S (No Services at St Chad's)

Covid Precautions mean that we will be asking people to use hand sanitiser, wear a face covering and to provide us with contact details for "track and trace".

We will NOT be able to guarantee any social distancing measures, but will request that people are sensible and respectful of others. For those who will find that difficult,

we invite you to remember in a different way - see the boxes below 9.00am BCP Communion Service

This service should be able to allow for social distancing

You may choose to come to any combination or just one of the following 10.15am TRADITIONAL SERVICE

11.00am ACT OF REMEMBRANCE at the War Memorial

11.10am FAMILY SERVICE (aim to finish by 11.30am) for anyone with pre-school or primary aged children.

This year we will not be hosting the Uniformed Organisations as our building is too small given the ongoing Covid precautions which are necessary.

> Act of Remembrance on Facebook Page (https://www.facebook.com/stchadsstbarts/) we will re-post (on 11th Nov 2021) last years recording

Visit churchofengland.org/prayers-for-remembrance to help you pray and remember the fallen from your home, or wherever you'd like to sit quietly.

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

> CHRISTMAS COFFEE MORNING

CHRISTMAS STALLS REFRESHMENTS

SAT 27TH NOVEMBER 10AM - 12NOON AT ST CHADS

Have a wonderful weekend.

My very best wishes as always,

David Burrows Head Teacher

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