



## DAWPOOL CHURCH OF ENGLAND PRIMARY SCHOOL

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This week the children have really brightened our spirits on the drizzly days with their beautiful singing. On Thursday morning, the children participated in a key stage 1 or key stage 2 singing worship and they sang with such enthusiasm it gave me goosebumps.

I am incredibly proud of our Year 6 children this week. Those who chose to take the 11+ examination returned to school with such positivity and I really admired their confidence and resilience. Well done! The children who stayed at school were the perfect role models showing their kindness and patience. You have all made me very proud.

"I thought it was going to be really hard but it was easy and I think I did well." Jake

"It felt easier because I'd practised." Esme

A special mention has to go out to all of the children who took part in the cross country event on Monday. The wind and rain didn't dampen their spirits and Dawpool came away with fantastic results including many children placing in the top 10.

"I definitely enjoyed it. I felt really proud of myself when I came sixth." Ella

It was very enjoyable and it's something you'll get better at if you try." Charlie

"It was really good and it's something you can try out on the field." Seren B

"It was really fun. There were 116 boys in my race." Ned

"It felt really far but I felt proud of what I did. I didn't even trip up." Brandon

Please see below for future cross country events.

Work is due to begin on the installation of our solar panels next week. We are looking forward to school being lovely and warm as winter approaches.

Thank you for returning permission letters. Could any outstanding forms please be returned as soon as possible.

As always, please do come and say hello and introduce yourselves or get in touch if you have any questions or concerns.

Wishing you all a wonderful weekend.

Kindest regards,

Mrs Helen Griffiths

### **NEXT WEEK**

**Monday 22nd September**

**Tuesday 23rd September**

**Wednesday 24th September**

Forest School for Year 3

3.30-4.30 pm Chess Club

**Thursday 25th September**

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FoDs AGM 7pm at School

#### Friday 26th September

Lunchtime Violin Club

#### Meet the Teacher Meetings

We are looking forward to welcoming you to our Meet the Teacher meetings next week.

**Year 1:** Wednesday 24th September at 5.00-5.30pm

**Year 2:** Tuesday 23rd September at 5:30-6:00pm

**Year 3:** Tuesday 23rd September at 4:30-5:00pm

**Year 4:** Wednesday 24th September at 4:30-5:00pm

**Year 5:** Tuesday 23rd September at 5:00-5.30pm

**Year 6:** Wednesday 24th September at 5:30-6:00pm

Information shared during the meetings will be uploaded to the class webpages afterwards for handy reference during the year.

Parents' Evenings for **Foundation 1 and Foundation 2** children will take place on **Tuesday 30th September and Wednesday 1st October between 3:30-6:00pm**. Details about how to book an appointment will be sent to parents shortly. Parents' Evenings for Years 1-6 will take place before half term and more details will follow soon.



Year 6 had a wonderful time on Wednesday during Forest School. The weather wasn't looking too promising as they arrived at school in their waterproofs, but thankfully the sun came out in the afternoon enabling the children to have fun and to build their resilience.

"It was really good going in the forest with the whole class because I got to be with all of my friends".  
Charlotte M

"It was fun because we got to make currency with pine cones." Evan

"Forest School is such a nice time to be outside with your friends." Lucy

"It was fun. It was really hard making a fire." Teddy

"I like Forest School because we learn how to use flint and steel to make a fire." Megan

"Now we're older, we got to climb trees. We learned how to tie different knots." Heidi

Next week, it is Year 3's turn for Forest School.

## CROSS COUNTRY

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The dates of this season's races are:

29/09/25 – Birkenhead Park (Upper Park)  
13/10/25 – Arrowe Park (field behind hospital)

#### **School Photographs Thursday 2nd October**

Our school photographer will be visiting school on the morning of **Thursday 2nd October**. We request that all children **wear their winter uniform** for their photograph with shirts and ties.

## Changes in Weather

We are committed to ensuring that your child has 30-minutes of physical activity each day. Please therefore provide your child with a coat to ensure that outdoor activities can continue during rainy weather. They should have a light raincoat with them every day, no matter how the day looks in the morning

Additionally, as the weather gets colder, please ensure your child has a school jumper/cardigan.  
Thank you.

#### **School Admissions**

Applications for Foundation 2 and Year 7 school places in September 2026

If your child is due to move up to Foundation 2 in primary school or Year 7 in secondary school in September 2026, and you are a Wirral resident, the

online application process opened on 1 September 2025.

For Year 7 in September 2026 the deadline for applying is 31 October 2025, and for Foundation 2 the deadline is 15 January 2026.

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.



#### **WhatsApp**

We know there are WhatsApp groups for parents, one for each year group and a separate one for FoDS. While these can be useful, please remember that the school did not create them and does not use them to communicate with parents. Please refer to the [Home School Communication Procedures](#) for the school's official communication methods.

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A reminder that the school car park is for **staff parking and deliveries only**. The car park should not be used by parents and carers at the start and end of the school day, including for breakfast and after school club. Please share this information with those responsible for your child's transportation to and from school.



Wednesday - KS2 chess club.  
Friday-Cross-country lunchtime club Y4 5 & 6.  
Friday-Violin Club Y3-6

#### **You're Invited to FoDS Annual Catch Up (AGM)**

We'd love to see as many of you as possible at our Meeting! It's a great opportunity to:

- Take a look at the highlights of last year's fantastic fundraising efforts
- Elect this year's committee

- Share ideas and discuss plans for the year ahead.

**Thursday 25th September, 7:00pm** start in the School Hall

If you're interested in joining the committee, getting more involved, or simply want to hear more about what we do, please come along — everyone is welcome!

To read more about FoDS and the committee roles, please use the link below...

[https://www.dawpool.wirral.sch.uk/website/friends\\_of\\_dawpool\\_fods\\_pta/255158](https://www.dawpool.wirral.sch.uk/website/friends_of_dawpool_fods_pta/255158)

If you want to talk with us about getting more involved, please speak with a member of the committee or email us on [friendsofdawpoolschool@gmail.com](mailto:friendsofdawpoolschool@gmail.com)

SAVE THE DATE

Autumn Disco – Friday 10th October

Information to be shared with you all very soon

# CHURCH NEWS

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Sunday 21st Sept	9.00am BCP Communion at St Bartholomew's 10.30am Morning Worship at St Bart's
Sunday 28th Sept <b>HARVEST</b>	9.00am BCP Communion at St Bartholomew's 10.30am 10.30 am Holy Communion at St Chad's with Junior church
Sunday 5th Oct	9.00am BCP Communion at St Bartholomew's 10.30am Holy Communion at St Bart's

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

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

Email:

[office@thurstaston.org.uk](mailto:office@thurstaston.org.uk)

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