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WHEN WE RETURN

Monday 17th April

Return to school

Wednesday 19th April

3.30-4.30pm Chess Club Y3-6

Thursday 20th April

3.45-4.15pm Choir rehearsal Y3-6

Friday 21st April

Forest School F2 & Y1

raised £1130 to go towards our outdoor development project.



Easter Bonnet Winners:



Congratulations to the Easter Bonnet winners

Henry Colling
Violet Griffiths
Rory Green



FoDS News

Thank you to everyone who came to support us at our Easter Fair on Sunday; it was a great success and we hope you all enjoyed it! Special thanks to the Easter Fair planning committee and all our helpers, without whom the event would not have been possible. We are sure you'll agree that the children made a fantastic contribution with their Easter Bonnets, bake off entries and egg displays and it was wonderful to see the Dawpool choir perform for us too. We

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Well done to everyone who made an Easter bonnet and took part in the bonnet parade.

Bake Off Winners

Congratulations to the Bake Off winners:



Nancy Byrom - The Coreggnation

Well done to all the Year 6 pupils who took part.



Next meeting- Wednesday 26th April 7.30pm

We hope you have a fantastic Easter holiday and we look forward to getting started on planning for the Summer Fair when we return. Our next meeting will be held in The Anchor on Wednesday 26th April at 7.30pm. Please come along if you would like to get involved-it would be great to have your input as it's our biggest event of the academic year!

Year 6 Egg Display Competition Winners:

The Egg Display winners are:

James Dickens - Heggwarts
Nell Jones and Ella Willerton - Eureggvision

All Weather Track

As a result of all your support and fundraising over the last few years, we are now in a position

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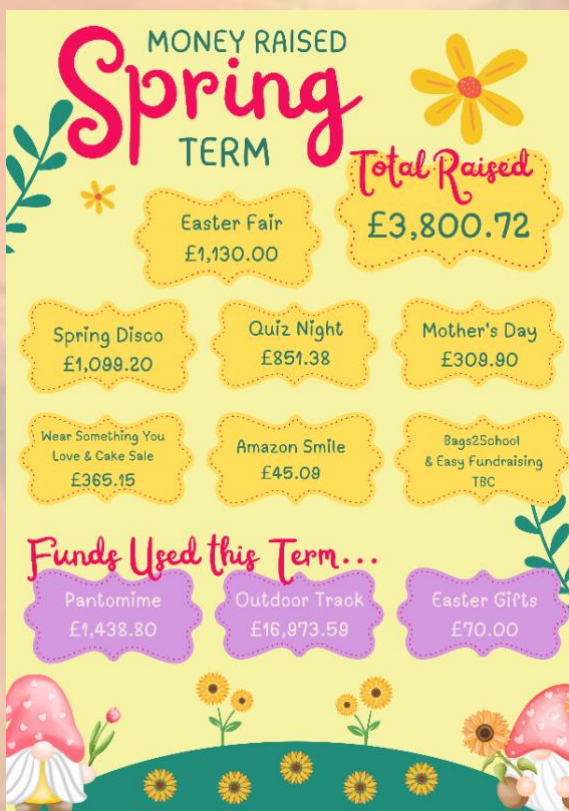
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to install the outdoor all-weather track around the field over the Easter break. Thank you!



Year 2 Visit

Year 2 had a fabulous time visiting the fire station at Bromborough this week. They learnt how the fire station operated and even had a go at squirting the water! Thank you to the amazing fire fighters for hosting the visit!



Year 4 Visit

Year 4 enjoyed their visit to the Chester Museum this week as part of their History work about the Romans which included a tour of the Roman walls with a soldier.



Easter Service

Thank you to all the parents and carers who joined us for our Easter Service at St Chad's Church this week. Well done to all the children

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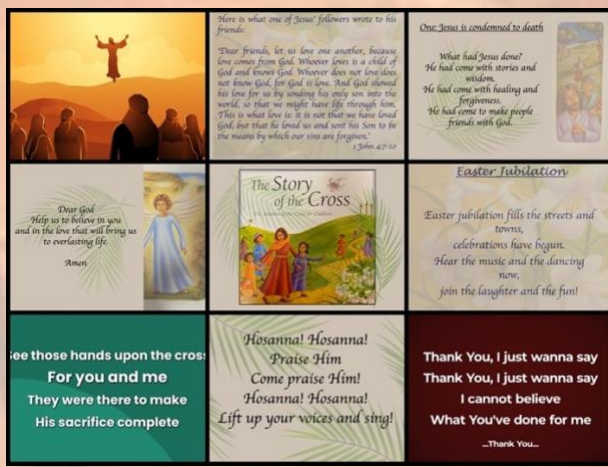
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for taking us on a journey through the Easter Story in readings, songs and prayers. It was poignant and joyous in equal measure.

Cross Country



Well done to Dawpool's Cross Country runners who participated in a relay race yesterday. As always, we are so proud of all the children who took part and represented our school so well. This was the last race of the season, so well done to everyone who has taken part in this year's events.



The children in F1, F2 and Year 1 enjoyed an interactive Easter assembly this week. They acted out the arrival of Jesus into Jerusalem and shouted Hosanna! They sang some Easter songs to help them celebrate this special time.



WORSHIP

Dawpool's daily act of collective worship is viewed as an integral and important part of school life. Through this and in the general ethos of the school we seek to promote our vision:

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Worship is a time where we come together to share our love of God and celebrate our achievements together. The worship of the school is based on promoting the **Person, Love and Work of Jesus** which permeates the ethos of the school. Worship is when we meet to acknowledge and reflect in God's word and the teachings of Jesus.

Work of Jesus (Our Learning Values)

Jeremiah 29:11

"For I know the plans I have for you," declares the Lord. "Plans to prosper you and not to harm you, plans to give you hope and a future."

This half term the children have explored the values of **generosity, faithfulness** and **patience**. The children have used the teachings of Jesus to reflect on these values:

Mark 12:41-44

Jesus tells the story of the Widow's Offering

John 13:1-17

Jesus washes the feet of his disciples

Luke 22:7-13

Jesus shares The Last Supper

Matthew 26:56-78

The Trial of Jesus

Person of Jesus (Our Christian Values)

Galatians 5:22-23

'The Fruit of the Spirit is Love, Joy, Peace, Patience, Kindness, Generosity, Faithfulness, Gentleness and Self-Control.'

This half term the children have explored the Bible:

What is The Bible?

A recap on the stories covered so far.

How can we use the Bible?

The story of Moses and the Burning Bush.

Why is the Bible important to Christians?

The story of the Nativity.

How can the Bible inspire us today?

The story of the Good Samaritan.

What does the Bible say about Easter?

The evidence for Jesus' death and resurrection.

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Love of Jesus (Our HeartSmart Actions)

Matthew 22: 36:40

'Love the Lord God with all your heart with all your soul and with all your mind. Love your neighbour as yourself.'

This half term, the children have reflected on our **HeartSmart Actions** through the Relationships and Health Education Curriculum.

HeartSmart is a scheme of work that we use to build character, emotional health and resilience in children. It equips them with foundational principles, skills, habits and a mindset that will improve their mental health, relationships and academic achievement.

HeartSmart is delivered around 6 key topics:

- Get Heart Smart
- Don't forget to let love in
- Too much selfie isn't healthy
- Don't rub it in, rub it out
- Fake is a mistake
- No way through, isn't true

For more information about our HeartSmart Curriculum, please go to our website [here](#).

BRITISH VALUES

In Worship each week, Dawpool pupils focus on a **big question**, based on a current news story, which relates to one of the fundamental British Values: **Democracy, Rule of Law, Individual Liberty, Mutual Respect, Tolerance of Different Faiths and Beliefs.**

This half term, pupils have focused on the following questions:

- What is the most important form of communication?
- Should everyone have access to a mode of transport?
- Will the world become cashless in the future?
- Could you do more to protect your local area?
- Should Roald Dahl's books be changed for modern times?
- How important are guide dogs to those in need?
- Should we always be allowed to speak our minds?
- How do communities support each other in difficult times?

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Celebration Worship

Each Friday, we present awards to pupils who

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have displayed our school values in action:

- Learning Values Award
- Fruit of the Spirit Award
- Dawpool Special Mention

Congratulations to all pupils who have received awards this half term.

Dawpool Ambassador Awards



Today, we presented our **Dawpool Ambassador Badges** to **16 pupils** who have proven to be outstanding ambassadors of Dawpool's values this half term. The Dawpool Ambassadors can wear their badges every day on a permanent basis. We present Ambassador badges at the end of each half term. Congratulations to the following children:

Amelie Walker
Reuben Baxter
Amelie Perree
Luca Barnes
Rose Garfitt
Luca Ivison
Isaac Proctor
Ellis Rowlands
Jasmine Hardy
Otto Webster
Ava Johnson
Noah Garfitt
Beth Cope
Nathaniel Hedderick
Delphine Cross
Nell Jones

Staffing News

This week, Mrs Cutts retired after 13 years' of dedicated service to the pupils and families of Dawpool School.



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The school came together on Thursday to say 'Thank You' to Mrs Cutts for the dedication, commitment and care she has given to our school over the years. I know that Mrs Cutts is truly overwhelmed with all the good wishes she has received from the school community. I am sure you will join us in wishing Mrs Cutts a very healthy and happy retirement.

Mr Greenop will return to teaching Year 4 full time after Easter. A very big thank you to Mr Cushion for teaching Year 4 this term alongside Mr Greenop. Mr Cushion will continue to be a familiar face at Dawpool, providing teaching cover across the school when required.

Church News

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

Website:

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office@thurstaston.org.uk

Facebook:

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

Twitter:

<https://twitter.com/StBartsStChads>

Forthcoming Church Services

Sun 2nd April Palm Sunday	9.00am BCP Communion at St Bart's 10.30am Holy Communion at St Barts
Thurs 6th April Maundy Thursday	7.00pm Communion Service at St Chad's
Friday 7th April Good Friday	2.00 pm "Hour at the Cross" at St Barts
Sun 9th April Easter Day	9.00am BCP Communion at St Bart's 10.30am All-Age Communion at St Chad's
Sun 16th April	9.00am BCP Communion at St Bart's 10.30am Morning Worship at St Barts



We are looking forward to the Summer term and have lots of exciting activities and events to look forward to. We will share the plans with you after Easter.

In the meantime, have a restful Easter break.
The children return to school on Monday 17th April.

David Burrows
Head Teacher

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