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As we reach the end of this first half term, I wanted to take a moment to thank you all for such a warm welcome to Dawpool. It has been a truly enjoyable and rewarding start to my time as Headteacher, and I have been incredibly impressed by the enthusiasm, kindness and determination shown by our pupils every single day.

From my very first morning on the gate, it has been clear that this is a special community – one where children are supported, nurtured, and encouraged to be the very best they can be. Over the past eight weeks, I have spent time in classrooms across the school, and I have seen a great deal of purposeful learning, curiosity, and joy in every year group.

This half term has been full of highlights. From our exciting topic launches and fun at Forest School to the many sporting events. A particular highlight for us was our Harvest Celebration and Cereal Box Domino Rally. Watching over 100 boxes of cereal topple through the hall in a spectacular domino display was such a joyful and memorable moment for the whole school! Even better, all of those boxes were donated to the Wirral Foodbank – a wonderful example of our school community's generosity and teamwork. Wirral Foodbank has sent a thank you for the 58kg of cereal that was donated. Thank you to everyone who contributed and helped make a difference for local families in need.

"It was really good. It was lovely and it was really

helpful because we have helped the Wirral Foodbank. " Freddie Y4

"It was cool! Satisfying-all the boxes fell in one go." Will Y4

"It was really good and fun-going round the corners worked which I did not expect." Rose Y4

"It was fun and it worked. Y6 and Y1 kept knocking them down." Grace and Flo Y1'

I'd like to thank parents for your ongoing support at home – whether it's helping with reading, getting your children to school on time, or cheering on at events. Working in partnership helps us to achieve the best outcomes for your child.

It's also been a pleasure to meet so many of you. Building strong relationships with families is a key priority for me, and I look forward to getting to know even more of you as the year continues.

Next half term, we have plenty to look forward to, including, anti-bullying week, our theatre visit and festive celebrations as well as the numerous events planned by FoDs.

I'd like to extend my thanks to our wonderful staff team for their hard work and professionalism this half term. Their commitment to creating an inspiring, caring learning environment is what makes Dawpool such a special place to learn and grow.

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Finally, to our pupils – you have made me feel so proud to be your Headteacher. Your enthusiasm, respect, and love of learning have been a joy to see every day.

Wishing You a Wonderful Half-Term Break.

Warm regards,

Mrs Helen Griffiths

WHEN WE RETURN

Monday 3rd November

Tuesday 4th November

Wednesday 5th November

9.30 am & 11 am Open Morning Visits

Forest School for Y1

3.30-4.30 pm Chess Club

Thursday 6th November

Friday 7th November

Lunchtime Violin Club

Dates for your Diary

The Y1 Christmas Nativity performances are to be held on 3rd December at 9.30am and 2.30pm in the School Hall.

Y2 will be performing their play on Tuesday 9th December at 9.30am and 2.30pm

Apologies, last week we stated KS1 were having their production on the 3rd December but Y1 and Y2 are having separate performances as detailed above.

F1 will be holding a Christmas tea party for parents on the 17th December at 2pm-3pm.

F2 will be holding a Christmas tea party for parents on 18th December at 2pm-3pm.

More details will follow.



F2 were superstars during Forest School this week. They made a rope swing and mud pies! There were huge smiles and muddy hands all round.

"We went on a swing." James

"There was a very long rope. I was a bit frightened at first but then it was very good fun. I loved it." Poppy

"We made a circle for the fire. I really liked it." Sophie

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"My favourite thing is playing in the forest." Finlay

When we return it will be Y1's turn for fun at Forest School on Wednesday 5th.

Do you own any pre-loved Christmas clothing?



On Friday 14th November, there will be a Pre-Loved Christmas Clothing Sale in the school hall.

We're asking for donations of pre-loved Christmas jumpers and any other festive clothing — for children and adults, all sizes welcome.

All money raised from the sale will go towards funding the Irby Village Christmas Lights 🌟

Please bring donations into the school office after half term.

Thank you for your support.



Poppy Appeal

This year we are again supporting the Poppy Appeal and we are continuing to sell items such as snap bands, reflectors and traditional poppies, after half term. Please send in any donations with your children if you wish to support this appeal.

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



FoDS News

Christmas Wreath Workshop – Thursday 27th November

We are very excited to be hosting a Christmas Wreath workshop next month.

For more information and to book online please use the link below:

<https://friends-of-dawpool-school.sumupstore.com/product/christmas-wreath-workshop>

There are a limited number of places available so please book quickly to avoid missing out.

Thank you to everyone who joined our events



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meeting last night!

It was fantastic to hear so many new and creative ideas to add to our Christmas celebrations.

After half term we will share our upcoming programme of events for the next few months and the festive season ahead.

Wishing you all a wonderful and restful half-term break!

FoDS

St. Bartholomew's Thurstaston, with St. Chad's, Irby
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Tables available free for local charities or at £12. Email office@thurstaston.org.uk

Christmas Bazaar
Sat 15th Nov
1 - 3.30pm
Trade and charities
Christmas gifts galore
Santa's Grotto
St Chad's Roslin Road CH61 3UH

If you run a small business(e.g. card making, candles, wood carving, crafts) you may be interested in selling some of your goods at the Christmas Bazaar at St Chad's on 15th November. There are a limited number of tables available.

Please contact the church office at office@thurstaston.org.uk

Santa Comes to Irby Friday 28th November

Many events are planned for Friday 28th November when Santa visits Irby. The light switch on is due at 6.15pm.

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Hockey Heroes

Hockey Heroes is an England Hockey Designed programme which has been delivered for the past 7 years. It is aimed at beginners, aged 4 – 6 years old, that not only focuses on helping children develop some physical hockey superpowers such as dribbling, passing and goal scoring, but also places as much emphasis on character development superpowers including teamwork, communication, perseverance and respect.

The next block of 6 sessions starts on Sunday 9th November, 9.45 – 10.45am.

Where: Calday Grammar School pitch, Glasspool, Caldy, CH48 1NY

Cost: £18

Who: Run by Oxton Hockey Club

To sign up please use the link below and select Hockey Heroes:

<https://club.spond.com/landing/signup/oxtonhockey>

If you have any questions please contact , Jules Armstrong at julesaoxton@gmail.com

[HALF TERM CAMP]

WEDNESDAY 29TH OCTOBER
9AM til 3PM ■ AGES 7 - 18

THURSDAY 30TH OCTOBER
9AM til 12PM ■ AGES 7 - 11
12PM til 3PM ■ AGES 12 - 18

FRIDAY 31ST OCTOBER
9AM til 12PM ■ AGES 7 - 11
12PM til 3PM ■ AGES 12 - 18

at ELLESMERE PORT SPORTS VILLAGE

£80 FOR ALL 3 DAYS

All campers will receive a **Ticket** to Cheshire Phoenix vs Leicester Riders on the 9th November

BOOK NOW: Youthbb@cheshirephoenix.com

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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

Sunday 26th Oct	9.00am BCP Communion at St Bartholomew's
Bible Sunday	10.30am 10.30 am Communion at St Chad's with Junior Church
Sunday 2nd Nov	9.00am BCP Communion at St Bartholomew's
	10.30am Holy Communion at St Bart's
	6.30pm Service of Remembrance and Thanksgiving at St Chad's
Sunday 9th Nov	9.00am BCP Communion at St Bartholomew's
Remembrance	10.15am Traditional Service at St Barts
Sunday	10.55am Act of Remembrance at the War Memorial
	11.05am All-Age Service at St Barts

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

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

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office@thurstaston.org.uk

Facebook:

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