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## **NEXT WEEK**

### **Monday 4<sup>th</sup> December**

### **Tuesday 5<sup>th</sup> December**

### **Wednesday 6<sup>th</sup> December**

3.30-4.30pm Last Chess Club Y3-6

### **Thursday 7<sup>th</sup> December**

9.30am EYFS Christmas Nativity

2.30pm EYFS Christmas Nativity

Christmas Jumper Day for 'Save the Children'

3.45-4.15pm Choir rehearsal Y3-6

### **Friday 8<sup>th</sup> December**

1:30pm Community Garden Event in school

<b>Thursday 7<sup>th</sup> December</b>	9:30am: EYFS Christmas Nativity 2:30pm: EYFS Christmas Nativity Christmas Jumper Day
<b>Friday 8<sup>th</sup> December</b>	Elfridges Sale Community Gardening Event in school.

<b>Tuesday 12<sup>th</sup> December</b>	9:30am: Nativity for Y2 parents 2:30pm: Nativity for Y2 parents
<b>Tuesday 12<sup>th</sup> December</b>	9:00am Bag2School Collection
<b>Wednesday 13<sup>th</sup> December</b>	2.15pm Y3/4/5 Carol Service (St Chads)
<b>Friday 15<sup>th</sup> December</b>	9.30am Y1 Christmas Nativity 2.30pm Y1 Christmas Nativity
<b>Tuesday 19<sup>th</sup> December</b>	Christmas Dinner
<b>Wednesday 20<sup>th</sup> December</b>	6pm: Christingle Service at St Bartholomew's Church for Y6 parents
<b>Thursday 21<sup>st</sup> December</b>	Class Christmas Parties (Non-Uniform Day) Santa to visit all classes with a gift
<b>Friday 22<sup>nd</sup> December</b>	<b>3:30pm: End of Term for pupils.</b>



## FoDS News

### **Christmas Bazaar**

Thank you to everyone who came to visit the Bazaar today, it was a great success and such a

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pleasure to see the children enjoying themselves.

A big thank you to all the volunteers who gave their time and support today, and in the run-up to the Bazaar. Thank you to all staff and also year 6 children for their help throughout the day. We really couldn't do it without you.



**\*Elfridges - Friday 8<sup>th</sup> December\***



All children will have the opportunity to choose and buy a Christmas gift for their Mum, Dad or other significant people in their lives.

1 token will be allocated for every gift purchased online and this will be given to the children on the day. Pre-order by **\*TUESDAY 5TH DECEMBER\*** using the link below:

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



**\*RAISE MONEY WHILE DOING YOUR CHRISTMAS SHOPPING ONLINE... Join Easy Fundraising\***

Please join Easy Fundraising to help raise money for Friends of Dawpool School while you shop online.

For Apple devices and computers, you can enable Easy Fundraising within your browser so you can approve donations as you shop. For other mobile phones and android devices, you can shop using the Easy Fundraising App and make the most of their in-App offers.

**\*Click the link below to join today: \***

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[https://www.easyfundraising.org.uk/support-a-good-cause/step-1/?char=146649&invite=8rogkp&referralcampaign=s2s&utm\\_campaign=refCROtest](https://www.easyfundraising.org.uk/support-a-good-cause/step-1/?char=146649&invite=8rogkp&referralcampaign=s2s&utm_campaign=refCROtest)

Thanks again for your continued support.



### New Laptops

The school's new laptops are being put to great use! Thank you to FoDS for buying these for us, only possible from their generous fundraising.

## Bag2School

Our next Bag 2 School collection will be on **Tuesday 12<sup>th</sup> December at 9am** and bags have been sent home. Please note however that any bags can always be used for any of the collections. Many thanks.

## Christmas Post

The school's Christmas post box will be available in school from **Monday 4<sup>th</sup> 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.



### Christmas Jumper Day

Christmas Jumper day for Save the Children will take place on **Thursday 7<sup>th</sup> December**. Children, parents and staff are welcome to come to school wearing a Christmas jumper, or other Christmas themed/coloured top.

Families who wish to make a donation to 'Save the Children' can do so via the following link.

<https://www.savethechildren.org.uk/donate>



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Forms have gone home for completion regarding Christmas Dinner offered to all pupils on the **19<sup>th</sup> December**. Please return your form as soon as possible. Thank you.



Christmas Party Day for all classes will take place on **Thursday 21<sup>st</sup> December**. Children may come to school in their own party clothes and will enjoy party games and activities. Party food will be served during the afternoon and Father Christmas will be visiting school with a gift for every child. A letter with full details and the payment request has been sent home this week to pupils in F2-Y6. A separate letter for EYFS will go home next week. Thank you.

#### **Christmas Nativities for Early Years**

Please note a **maximum of 2 adults per child** at both performances.

**9:30am:** Nativity for **Foundation 1** and **Foundation 2** parents in school.

**2:30pm:** Nativity for **Foundation 1** and **Foundation 2** parents in school.

We look forward to seeing you.

#### **Activity for All Events**

Please see the details in the separate leaflets about a Christmas market and Family Fun Event this weekend.



#### **Friday 8th December at 1.30pm**

#### **Can you help improve our playground?**

As part of our plans to develop our school field, following the installation of the all-weather track this year, we have been generously given 50 trees from the council to plant on our field to create a lovely wooded area for the children and we would love you to help plant them with us. We will also be cutting and planting some live willow, moving logs and planting bulbs.

Everyone is welcome – Parents, Aunties, Uncles, Grandparents and neighbours. This is a community event that we would love you to get involved in. No gardening experience needed,

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just a willingness to make our outdoor spaces a special place for the children.

**Please inform the school office if you are able to help.**

Please bring – gardening gloves and any tools you have, e.g. spades, loppers, secateurs, spare compost, wheel-barrows, any spare plants, bulbs or logs that you would like to donate.

Some warm drinks and snacks will be offered during the afternoon.

Thank you for your support.



We have certainly seen colder weather this week!

In the event of severe snow or ice first thing in the morning, please check to see if the school is open before travelling:

- A message will be posted on the homepage of the school's website from 7:30am.
- A message will be posted on the school's twitter feed from 7:30am.

If extreme weather develops during the school day, we will aim to remain open until the end of the normal school day. However, this may not always be possible. Parents should check to see if the school will remain open:

- A message will be posted on the homepage of the school's website.
- A message will be posted on the school's twitter feed.
- An email will be sent to the primary contact.

## CHURCH NEWS

Sun 3rd December	9.00am BCP Communion at St Bartholomew's 10.30am Holy Communion at St Barts
Sun 10th December	9.00am BCP Communion at St Bart's 10.30am All Age service at St Chad's
Sun 17th December	9.00am BCP Communion at St Bartholomew's 10.30am Morning Worship at St Bartholomew's 6.30pm Carol Service with Christingles at St Chad's

### Sunday 17th Dec

#### 9.00am BCP Communion at St Bartholomew's

BCP is the Book of Common Prayer which was published in 1662. This service uses old fashioned language and is a quiet service with no music.

#### 10.30am Morning Worship at St Bartholomew's

This service is in modern language and will include some Advent hymns.

#### 6.30pm Carol Service with Christingles at St Chad's

We will listen to the Christmas Nativity story and sing carols. A Christingle is a decorated orange used to explore the story of God's love for the world at Christmas.



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#### Sunday 24th Dec - Christmas Eve

##### 9.00am BCP Communion at St Bartholomew's

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##### 10.30am All-Age Nativity at St Chads

We will sing some carols and retell the story of Jesus birth. You are invited to come dressed as a character from the story.

##### 11.15pm First Communion of Christmas at St Bartholomew's

This will be the first communion of Christmas and will include singing some carols.



#### Monday 25th Dec - Christmas Day

##### 10.00am All-Age Communion at St Barts

This service is suitable for everyone and will include singing some carols.



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

#### Facebook:

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

#### Twitter:

<https://twitter.com/StBartsStChads>

Have a lovely weekend,

David Burrows  
Head Teacher

#### Christmas Performance St Mary's Church, Upton

Come and join us for...

Hot Dogs  
& Ice Cream  
at 5:30pm



Performance  
at 6pm

#### A Christmas Pan-tivity

Tuesday 5th December

at St Mary's Church

£3 per person, £10 for a family

#### The Herald of Herod

Three peculiar Magi have appeared in the Royal Palace talking of the birth of a potential rival King! The cruel King Herod is keen to unravel this mystery.

For Harry the humble Herald, this is the chance of a lifetime... to embark upon an epic quest and be noticed by the King!

Explore the nativity story like never before, with plenty of songs, plenty of laughs, and a very boo-able baddy, in 4Front's brand new Christmas pan-tivity! (panto/nativity)

**SUITABLE FOR FAMILIES AND CHILDREN OF ALL AGES**

For more information and to book, please look on our website, or scan the QR code:



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