



DAWPOOL CHURCH OF ENGLAND PRIMARY SCHOOL
... The Abundant Life that Jesus Offers

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NEXT WEEK

Monday 18th December

3.30-4.30pm Illuminate KS2 Festive Party

Tuesday 19th December

Christmas Dinner

Wednesday 20th December

3.30-4.30pm Illuminate KS1 Festive Party

6pm Christingle service for Y6 parents at St Bartholomew's Church

Thursday 21st December

Class Christmas Parties

Friday 22nd December

End of term (After school club is on as normal)

Tuesday 19th December	Christmas Dinner
Wednesday 20th December	6pm: Christingle Service at St Bartholomew's Church for Y6 parents
Thursday 21st December	Class Christmas Parties (Non-Uniform Day)

	Santa to visit all classes with a gift
Friday 22nd December	End of Term for pupils.

Please note that the children will return to school on **Monday 8th January 2024**.

Chess Club will resume **Wednesday, 10th January**.

Choir will resume **Thursday 18th January**.



FoDS News

FoDS would like to take this opportunity to wish all Dawpool parents, carers and families a very Merry Christmas! A massive thank you to everyone for their continued support with our fundraising, we couldn't do it without you! Plans for our upcoming events will be discussed at our next meeting in the new year.

We will share the latest fundraising totals on our parent WhatsApp groups next week, after we have finalised numbers and drawn the Rainbow Raffle!

Merry Christmas and Happy New Year to all parents, carers, children and staff. Here's to a

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wonderful 2024!

Schoolmoney payments

Could we please request that all Schoolmoney payments due are brought up to date by **Monday 18th December**. Any payments still on there are now overdue and we would appreciate your prompt attention to this matter.

The invoices for January's wraparound care and pre-school payments will be sent once we return in January. Additionally, the school dinner money for the first half term will be requested then also.

Christmas Services

It was wonderful to share the joy of Christmas with everyone who attended the Year 1 & 2 nativity plays and Year 3-5 Carol Service this week. It was very special seeing the story of Christmas shared in so many creative ways, through song, dance, acting, readings and prayers. Well done to all the children for their excellent performances.

Year 6 Christingle

Y6 pupils will lead a Christingle Service at St Bartholomew's Church on **Wednesday 20th December at 6:00pm**.

Please note that the audience capacity is 2 adults per child at this Service.



Christmas dinner will be served on **Tuesday 19th December** and the children may bring a festive hat for wearing during lunchtime



Christmas Party Day for all classes will take place on **Thursday 21st 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. There are still a number of forms and payments outstanding. We would be grateful if these could be sent in on **Monday**.

New Menu

From January we have a new 3-week menu. This is on the website under the information tab. If your child would like to start school meals in January, please let the school office know by

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Tuesday next week.

Department for Education Performance Tables

This week the Department for Education (DfE) published the performance tables for all schools. This is the first year that performance tables have been published since before the pandemic. Performance data for Dawpool can be found [here](#).

SENCO Drop in session

Senco Drop-in Session
Wednesday 10th January '24



We are delighted to have Sally Tittle and Poppy Cain from the LA SEND Engagement Team to share the new SENDLO website with our parents and carers. This will be an informal, interactive session where information on the wealth of support and resources for Special Educational Needs and Disabilities from the Local Authority will be shared. There will be an opportunity to chat, have a cuppa and talk all things SEND.




School Hall
2.45pm-3.30pm.



Please see the attached flyer with information about next term's SENCo Drop-in Session on **Wednesday 10th January 2024 at 2:45pm.**

We are delighted to have the SEND Engagement Team coming to talk about LA support and engagement for all things SEND.

We hope to have given you enough notice to

facilitate your attendance as this will be an extremely useful session. Please can you confirm your intention to attend via the school office. Many thanks.

CHURCH NEWS



EVERY Wednesday 10.30am HC at St Chads

- 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
- Sun 24th December 9.00am BCP Communion at St Bartholomew's
10.30am All Age Nativity at St Chad's
11.15pm First Communion at St Barts

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**
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 **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.
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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.
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For more information about St Bartholomew's

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

Email:

office@thurstaston.org.uk

Facebook:

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

Twitter:

<https://twitter.com/StBartsStChads>



We wish to thank our families for your support this term. As this is our last Dawpool News of the year may I and the staff take this opportunity to wish you all a happy and peaceful Christmas and New Year.

The school reopens for pupils on **Monday 8th January 2024.**

David Burrows
Head Teacher

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