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NEXT WEEK

Monday 5th February

Tuesday 6th February

3.30-4.30pm Multi Sports Club for F2 Y1 Y2

Wednesday 7th February

3.30-4.30pm Chess Club Y3-6

Thursday 8th February

3.30pm-4.15pm Choir

Friday 9th February



FoDS News



LEAPS OF SILVER - THURSDAY 29TH FEBRUARY

Save all your silver coins!

On Thursday 29th February all of the children will be invited to bring in as many silver coins as they can. Each class will make a line of silver coins in the playground and the longest line will win a prize for their class. We are fundraising for PE and Gym Equipment for the school and need a total of £2,842.16 to fund the school's current needs. Please dig deep and save your silver coins for the children to bring in at the end of February.



NON-UNIFORM DAY – FRIDAY 16TH FEBRUARY

FoDS are inviting all children to come to school dressed in their own clothes on Friday 16th February. Please bring £1 per child in on the day or pay online using the link provided closer to the time.





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MOTHER'S DAY SALE MONDAY 4TH MARCH

All the children will have the opportunity to buy a gift for their Mum or another 'wonderful woman' in their life in school on **Monday 4th March**. Each gift will cost £2.50. You can either pre-pay and a token will be given to your child in school (link will follow) or cash can be brought in on the day.

WORLD BOOK DAY

This year we will be celebrating World Book Day in school on **Friday 8th March**. All children are invited to attend school dressed as their favourite book character, but please do not go to any expense. A simple accessory works just as well.

During the day there will be lots of reading for pleasure activities, including a visit from a children's author who will deliver reading workshops to children in KS1 & KS2.

There will also be a special World Book Day lunch menu and more details will follow soon.



WONKY BARS

In the style of Roald Dahl's Charlie and the Chocolate Factory, we will be selling "Wonky Bars" to coincide with WORLD BOOK DAY! 5 winning chocolate bars will have a GOLDEN TICKET inside! There are some fabulous prizes to be won. "Wonky Bars" can be purchased online before World Book Day and will be given to children in school to take home on Friday 8th March. More details about how to order a Wonky Bar will follow shortly.



To celebrate Chinese New Year, we are offering a special lunch menu on **Wednesday** 14th February and is available for all pupils.

A letter has been sent home this week. Please return the form to school by **Thursday 8**th





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February indicating your menu choices.

PARENTS EVENINGS

Parents' Evenings - March 2023

The Spring Term Parents' Evenings will take place after half term as follows:

Tuesday 5th & Wednesday 6th March: Y2, Y4, Y5, Y6

Tuesday 12th & Wednesday 13th March: F1, F2, Y1, Y3

Please note that we are unable to offer creche facilities during the parents' evenings, so please make alternative child-care arrangements. We will send out more information nearer the time.



MHST – The Mental Health Support Team are part of the Wirral Children and Young People's (CYP) Mental Health Service. We are able to work with children and young people who

experience mild to moderate mental health difficulties, and/or their parents / carers. These are difficulties that are newly emerging, have not lasted for more than 6 months and are starting to affect the children's lives or experiences. If you have any concerns about your child's mental health, please speak to Mrs Barrick, school SENCo, who can make a referral for MHST support, where appropriate.

Further information about how school supports your child's mental health and wellbeing is available on our website:

My Happy Mind
Emotional Literacy Support Assistant
Mental Health Support Team
Wirral Family Toolbox
School Nursing Service



Next week is Children's Mental Health Week. During the week the children will be participating





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in a wide range of curriculum activities to raise awareness of mental health and wellbeing.

5 - 11 February 2024 Schools' Football Week

Next week is also Schools' Football week.

To celebrate this, four pupils will be running a football club every lunchtime with the help of Mrs Ham. This will be offered to the children on their PE day but please bring in a change of shoes so they have some footwear suitable for indoor and outdoor use. Please note Y5 will not have lunchtime football on Thursday next week as they will play on their usual PE day of Tuesday.

The week will finish off with a special assembly led by the Chaplain at Tranmere Rovers, Matt Graham.



http://www.newlifecharity.co.uk/

Charity number 1170125

'Sparkle Day' for 'New Life' the Charity for Disabled Children.

On Friday March 1st we will be supporting the disabled children's charity 'New Life' with their 'Sparkle Day' by asking children to accessorise their school uniform with something sparkly (e.g. hair accessory, jewellery, shiny tights, shoes, glasses etc) in exchange for a minimum £1 donation. As a thank you for taking part the school staff are making cakes and one will be given to each child at morning break (allergies will be catered for).

In addition to this there is a 'Sparkle Day' word search for sale for 50p from the school office. All complete competition forms will be put into a draw for a prize.

The word searches are available from **Monday** 5th February.

Futsal Competition



Y3 and 4 represented us so well at the Wirral School Games Futsal competition at Tranmere Rovers this week. This event was for pupils who





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don't play football for a team out of school. Our children showed such enthusiasm, resilience and team spirit! It was amazing to watch them gain in confidence and skill during the event. Huge thanks to the parents who came along to support!

Gymnastics Competition



On Thursday, ten pupils from Years 3 and 4 represented Dawpool at a gymnastics event. Pupils completed a floor routine and two vaults. The children did brilliantly and demonstrated the school's values of perseverance, independence and joy throughout the afternoon.

Following the individual events, Wirral Gymnastics Club put on a floor and tumbling display from their squad members. Pupils were also given the opportunity to try out the

gymnastic equipment - beams, bars and fast track.

We would like to express our thanks to the 'School Games' organisers and Wirral Gymnastics Club for this inspiring event.

School Nurse Drop-In Clinics

The 0-19 Health & Wellbeing Service in Wirral is available to support parents and schools with a range of health and wellbeing concerns:

 healthy eating, weight management, sleep behaviour, bed wetting, behavioural concerns, emotional wellbeing, confidence/self-esteem and lifestyle advice, as well as signposting and referrals to other services if needed.

Please note that the School Nursing Service have a weekly drop-in clinic. Families may attend for confidential support and advice every Thursday, 4 - 6pm.

Health Visiting Hub,





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1st floor,

St Catherine's Health Centre,

Birkenhead

CH42 OLQ

To speak to the school nursing team, call **0151 514 0219**.

CHURCH NEWS

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

Facebook:

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

Twitter:

https://twitter.com/StBartsStChads

At the end of this week's newsletter, we have included some information about various local events which may be of interest to you.







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Friday Spm 15 March

St Chad's Hall

Following a guided tutorial (all art supplies provided), by the end of the night you will have created your own acrylic painting on canvas for you to take home as a reminder of your fantastic night.

Price is £18.00 payable on booking.
Wine, hot drinks & snacks provided.
Book via Church Office
open Tuesday to Thursday mornings
call 0151 648 8169
or email office@thurstaston.org.uk

* * * Places limited book early * * *

St Chad's Roslin Road, Irby CH61 3UH

Have a lovely weekend.

David Burrows Head Teacher

