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Dear Parents and Carers,

This week has been a highlight of the term. On Monday, three pupils from St Peter's joined three of our Year 6 pupils to deliver worship which they had planned collaboratively last week. In the afternoon our three Year 6 pupils went to St Peter's and delivered it there. What a wonderful opportunity to come together and grow in confidence. Their worship encouraged us all to take a moment to think about how we can build strong foundations in our life.

"I felt nervous at first but was more confident when I went to St Peter's and did it again. I really enjoyed it."
Rory Y6

This week at Dawpool has been filled with memorable learning experiences, bringing history to life for our pupils.

Year 1 embarked on a remarkable journey back in time as they boarded the Titanic for a very special immersive day. With Dawpool's unique historical link to the White Star Line through the Ismay family, this experience held particular significance. The children arrived dressed as either the Captain, a first, second, or third-class passenger and spent the day engaged in a range of creative activities linked to the Titanic and their history curriculum. Their costumes were amazing and it was a pleasure to join them on board ship for our lunch.



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Year 2 impressed us all with their fantastic class assembly on the Great Fire of London which also made connections with the amazing work done by our emergency services and NHS. They then brought their learning to life by creating their own Pudding Lane using the detailed 3D models they had made. Mr Young, a firefighter, visited to demonstrate how fire spreads, and the children observed as their model Pudding Lane was safely set alight. This powerful experience not only deepened their understanding of the Great Fire of London but also provided an important opportunity to reinforce key fire safety messages.

“It was very smokey and the fire was very hot but it was so much fun.” Benjamin

“My Young told us about how to stay safe.” Henry



Year 6 were transported to the era of World War II through a full-day workshop. Dressed as evacuees, pupils took part in drama activities, explored what life was like during wartime, including sheltering, and even applied their learning through coding tasks. Again their costumes showed their enthusiasm and

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full engagement. A highlight of the day was the opportunity to handle authentic artefacts, deepening their understanding of this pivotal period in history.

“It’s a brilliant experience! Luke is so funny and makes learning easy and fun.” Alba Y6

“It’s amazing! I’m learning so much and having amazing fun.” Maisie Y6



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We were also privileged to receive a special piece of living history. An Order of Service from Dawpool's opening in 1906 was kindly gifted to the school. Our Ethos Group had the opportunity to meet with Roger and Rosemary Bennett, who shared their experiences of attending Dawpool around 68 years ago. The children asked thoughtful questions about how the school has changed over time, and together we explored fascinating archival materials including registers, asset lists, and even a historic punishment book.

The Order of Service will be carefully preserved as a treasured part of our school's heritage and I feel honoured that we have been trusted with this important piece of Dawpool history.



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I received an email from Mrs Wood this week which made me feel particularly proud. We have had athletics events and national finals and yet again our children have been fantastic ambassadors for Dawpool. We are awaiting official results but I believe we are winners, demonstrating all of the qualities needed for success.



"Their behaviour and willingness to give things a go

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was amazing. Mr Dagnall and I were very proud." Mrs Wood

I am now able to share some positive news regarding our ongoing commitment to the safety and security of our pupils. During the upcoming Easter holidays, we will be installing a CCTV system across the main playgrounds and the F2 outdoor learning area. This investment is designed to provide an extra layer of protection for our children and school and offer peace of mind to our entire school community. Please be assured that all systems will be operated in strict accordance with data protection regulations and our school's privacy policy. We look forward to these enhancements being fully operational in the summer term.

The minutes of our first Parent Forum have now been added to our Dawpool website. https://www.dawpool.wirral.sch.uk/website/parent_forum/720348 Please contact the office if you would be interested in representing your class.

I hope you have a wonderful weekend.

Warm regards,

Mrs Helen Griffiths

NEXT WEEK

Monday 23rd March



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9.10am F1 Stay and Play

3.30-4.15pm Drama Club

Tuesday 24th March

Y2 Trip to Bromborough Fire Station

3.30-4.30pm Y1/2 Ball Game Club

3.30-4.30pm Y4-6 Last Future Medics Club

Wednesday 25th March

2.15 pm Easter Service Y2-6 at St Chad's

3.30-4.30pm Chess Club

Thursday 26th March

3.30-4.15pm Choir

3.30-4.15pm Drama Club

3.30-4.15pm Y5/6 Netball Club

Friday 27th March

Break for Easter



Easter Service 2026

Wednesday 25th March 2:15pm

Families of children in Years 2-6 are invited to join us for an Easter Service at St Chad's Church on Wednesday 25th March at 2:15pm. Pupils in Y2-6 will leave school after lunch to walk to church. The service is expected to last around 40-minutes and parents have the option of taking their child home after the service.

Pupils in EYFS and Year 1 will remain in school to take part in Holy Week activities.

CLASS ASSEMBLY

We look forward to welcoming parents/carers of our F1 pupils on Monday for a stay and play session in the school hall.

This starts at 9.10am and is expected to last no more than half an hour.



There will be no Forest School next week due to the Easter Service.

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- Monday-Lunchtime Chess Club
- Monday-Drama Club
- Tuesday-Y1/2 Ball Games Club Y4-6 Future Medics Club
- Wednesday - KS2 Chess Club
- Thursday-KS2 Choir Club & Y5/6 Netball Club & Drama Club
- Friday-Lunchtime Cross Country



Junior FoDS Easter Raffle

Our Junior FoDS committee have been busy selling raffle tickets this week for their super Easter Raffle!

Thank you for all the donations of Easter chocolate and treats to be used as raffle prizes. If you missed the deadline of the 20th March, don't worry, we can still accept donations early next week.

Raffle tickets are 50p each and are available for the children to buy in school at lunchtimes.

The draw will take place on Friday 27th March.

All proceeds will go towards Junior FoDS fundraising efforts for the school.

This event has been organised and will be run entirely by the children. Thank you so much for supporting them with their very first Junior FoDS event.



School Disco

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Thank you so much to everyone who helped at the school disco. The children always have such a fantastic time. It couldn't happen without the time and support given by our wonderful volunteers, so huge thanks, we're very grateful!

We'll be announcing how much the disco has raised very soon.

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 22nd Mar	9.00am BCP Communion at St Bartholomew's 10.30am Holy Communion with Junior church at St Chad's
Sunday 29th Mar Palm Sunday	9.00am BCP Communion at St Bartholomew's 10.30am Holy Communion at St Chad's
Maundy Thursday - 2nd April	7.00pm Holy Communion at St Chad's
Friday 3rd April Good Friday	10.00-11.00 Messy Easter at St Chad's - you need to book your place 2pm "Hour at the Cross" at St Bartholomew's
Sunday 5th April Easter Day	9.00am BCP Communion at St Bartholomew's 10.30am Holy Communion at St Bartholomew's

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

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

Email:

office@thurstaston.org.uk

Facebook:

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

Twitter:

<https://twitter.com/StBartsStChads>

Messy Easter at St Chad's
10.00-11.00am on Good Friday (3rd April)
Crafts for children and their families,
and an Easter Egg Hunt.

All children will need to be accompanied by an adult.

FREE - but you will need to book a place so we have enough crafts and treats to go around.

To book your place, email office@thurstaston.org.uk
We will send a booking form - this must be returned by 22nd Mar.

If you are already registered with Junior Church (from Sept 2025), then just email the parish office with the names of the children who will be attending and the name(s) of the adult(s) will be accompanying them.



HOLY WEEK SERVICES

Sunday 29th March
PALM SUNDAY
9.00am BCP Communion at St Bart's
10.30am Holy Communion at St Chad's

Thursday 2nd April
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Foxhill House Frodsham-Family Event

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This year, Foxhill house into being transformed into a living storybook for our Journeying With Jesus Family Day. You will follow a winding path through the incredible “What happened next?” moments of the very first Easter.

From the surprise of the Empty Tomb to breakfast on the beach at Lake Galilee, your family will explore interactive stations, get stuck into hands on crafts, and bring the stories to life together. Whether you are walking the road to Emmaus or helping Peter “feed the sheep”, there is a discovery waiting around every corner. It is crafty, it is visual, and it is full of joy. It is the perfect way to celebrate the Resurrection in the Easter holidays.

This free Easter holiday event is designed especially for families, but everyone is warmly welcome, including church groups, grandparents, godparents and neighbours. Please do share the invitation with families in your church or community who might enjoy a day of creativity, exploration and fun.

Please note: Children must be supervised by an adult at all times.

Ready to start the adventure?
Booking is essential. Please visit our website to reserve your free tickets.

<https://www.foxhillchester.co.uk/event-details/journeying-with-jesus>

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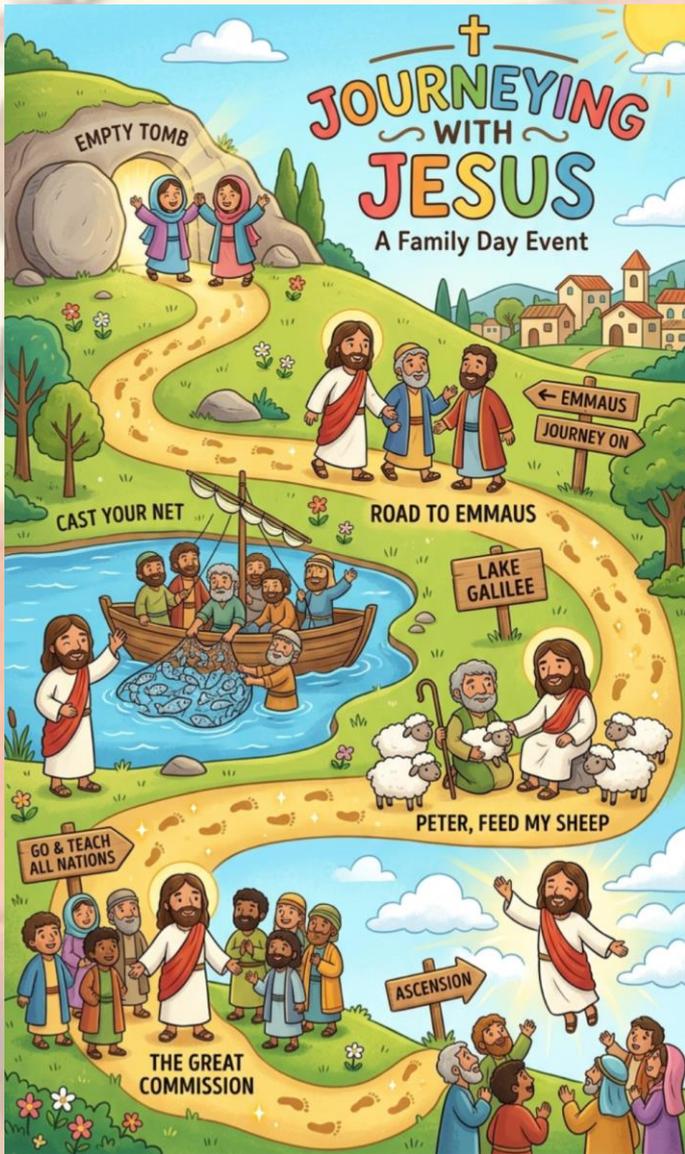




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