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NEXT WEEK

Tuesday 13th December

Christmas Dinner Day

Wednesday 14th December

6:00pm: Y6 Christingle Service

Thursday 15th December

Christmas Party Day

3.30-4.30pm Last Football Club Y1 & Y2

Friday 16th December

End of term for pupils

The final week at a glance

Tuesday 13th December	Christmas Dinner
Wednesday 14th December	'Little Miss Giggles' visit to F1 and F2 6:00pm: Christingle Service at St Bartholomew's Church for Y6 parents
Thursday 15th December	Class Christmas Parties (Non-Uniform Day) Santa to visit all classes with a gift
Friday 16th December	3:30pm: End of Term for pupils.

Please note that the children will return to school on **Wednesday 4th January 2023**.



FoDS News

2023 CALENDARS

The remaining calendars are available to purchase using the link below where you can preview the images. They will be given to your child to bring home with them. <https://friends-of-dawpool-school.sumupstore.com/product/fods-2023-dawpool-calendar> PLEASE NOTE your pre-order does not secure your calendars. If you have paid but have not received your calendar, please email us on friendsofdawpoolschool@gmail.com

RAINBOW RAFFLE

Tickets for our fabulous rainbow hampers have been sold over the last few weeks; thanks to everyone who has purchased them. The draw will take place early next week and the winners notified.

CHRISTMAS BAZAAR

Thanks once again to all the parent volunteers and everyone who kindly sent in various donations to make the Bazaar such a success. It was very much appreciated and we really hope the children enjoyed it as much as we did! The

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amount raised is still being calculated but it is over £1000 which is fantastic! Thanks for all your support.

THE POLAR EXPRESS

All aboard!!!! We are so excited to be hosting a special film night for the children tonight! We will share some photos later this evening.

We wish all the children and families a very happy Christmas and look forward to sharing our plans for the Spring Term with you in the New Year.

Best wishes,

Rachael and Sam (Co-Chairs FoDS)

Bag2School

Thank you to those who donated to our latest collection. We raised £80.

Year 1 & 2 Nativities

We hope you enjoyed our Y1 and Y2 Nativities this week. It was wonderful to share the joy of Christmas with everyone who attended. Well done to all the children and staff.



Christmas Services

The Year 3, 4 & 5 pupils led a beautiful carol service at St Bartholomew's Church on Monday. It was lovely to hear the Christmas story told

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through scripture and the children's own thoughts, poems and prayers.

Due to the audience restrictions at this service, we have produced a recording and a secure link will be emailed to Year 3, 4 & 5 parents next week.

Year 6

Y6 pupils will lead a Christingle Service at St Bartholomew's Church on **Wednesday 14th December at 6:00pm.**

Please note that the audience capacity is 2 adults per child at this Service. We look forward to seeing you.



It's the time of year when we may experience adverse weather conditions.

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.

Schoolmoney payments

Could we please request that all Schoolmoney payments due are brought up to date by **Monday 12th 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.

Sporting successes

We would like to congratulate the following children who were selected to represent 'Wirral Primary Schools' at a Cross Country Challenge

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event at Sefton Park on 28th November. The children raced over 2km against other districts.

James Parry Y5
Charlie Bibby Y6
Delphine Cross Y6



Also, congratulations to Seren Barnes in Y2 who has become the North West champion in her gymnastic tumbling competition.



Class Assemblies

We are looking forward to sharing class assemblies with parents during the Spring and Summer terms. These will take place in school on the following dates:

Foundation 1

Thursday 29th June 2023 at 9:15am

Foundation 2

Thursday 16th March 2023 at 9:15am

Year 1

Thursday 16th February 2023 at 9:15am

Year 2

Thursday 9th February 2023 at 9:15am

Year 3

Thursday 2nd February 2023 at 9:15am

Year 4

Thursday 26th January 2023 at 9:15am

Year 5

Thursday 19th January 2023 at 9:15am

Year 6

Leavers' Service & Activities – Date(s) to be arranged



Christmas dinner will be served on **Tuesday 13th** and the children may bring a festive hat for wearing during lunchtime.

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Christmas Party Day for all classes will take place on **Thursday 15th 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.

Poppy Appeal

Many thanks for giving so generously to our recent Poppy Appeal. The school raised £280.42.



[Familytoolbox.co.uk](https://familytoolbox.co.uk) is a free online hub to help Wirral families be the strongest they can be. It is full of videos, tips and ideas – things you can fill

your toolbox with and make use of when you need to – so that you can be the best parent for your children:

The [Family Toolbox Website](https://familytoolbox.co.uk) shows all of the organisations on Wirral that work to support children, young people and families. Organisations are committed to making their support **free from criteria, assessments, referrals and thresholds**, so that you and your family can access support as and when you feel you need it.

More information about the Family Toolbox can be found on our [website](https://familytoolbox.co.uk).



The **0-19 Service** in Wirral is available to support parents 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.

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

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WORSHIP

Dawpool's daily act of collective worship is viewed as an integral and important part of school life. Through this and in the general ethos of the school we seek to promote our vision:

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Worship is a time where we come together to share our love of God and celebrate our achievements together. The worship of the school is based on promoting the **Person, Love and Work of Jesus** which permeates the ethos of the school. Worship is when we meet to acknowledge and reflect in God's word and the teachings of Jesus.

Work of Jesus (Our Learning Values) Jeremiah 29:11

"For I know the plans I have for you," declares the Lord. "Plans to prosper you and not to harm you, plans to give you hope and a future."

This half term the children have explored the learning values of **Noticing, Imagining,**

Capitalising and Reasoning. We have also explored the values of **Kindness and Gentleness.** The children have used the teachings of Jesus to reflect on these values:

Luke 19:1-10

Jesus notices Zacchaeus.

Luke 10:25-37

Jesus tells the parable of the Good Samaritan.

Matthew 14:13-21

Jesus feeds 5000 people.

John 2:1-11

Jesus turns water into wine.

Luke 15: 11-32

Jesus tells the parable of the prodigal son.

Person of Jesus (Our Christian Values)

Galatians 5:22-23

'The Fruit of the Spirit is Love, Joy, Peace, Patience, Kindness, Generosity, Faithfulness, Gentleness and Self-Control.'

This half term the children have explored the value of **aspirations:**

- **What are aspirations?**
The Story of Moses and his mother.
- **How can having aspirations help us?**

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The Story of Abraham & Sarah

- **Reaching for the stars**
The Story of David & Goliath

We have also shared in Advent and Christmas through scripture and stories:

- **The wait**
The prophecies foretold about the birth of Jesus.
- **Time to prepare**
Jesus tells the parable of the 10 bridesmaids.
- **The journey**
The journey of Mary & Joseph to Bethlehem.
- **Party time!**
The birth of Jesus and the special people who visited him.

It has also been wonderful to share in a wide variety of Christmas nativities and church services this term.

Love of Jesus (Our HeartSmart Actions)

Matthew 22: 36:40

'Love the Lord God with all your heart with all your soul and with all your mind. Love your neighbour as yourself'

This half term, the children have reflected on our **HeartSmart Actions** through the Relationships and Health Education Curriculum.

HeartSmart is a scheme of work that we use to build character, emotional health and resilience in children. It equips them with foundational principles, skills, habits and a mindset that will improve their mental health, relationships and academic achievement.

HeartSmart is delivered around 6 key topics:

- **Get Heart Smart**
- **Don't forget to let love in**
- **Too much selfie isn't healthy**
- **Don't rub it in, rub it out**
- **Fake is a mistake**
- **No way through, isn't true**

For more information about our HeartSmart Curriculum, please go to our website [here](#).

BRITISH VALUES

In Worship each week, Dawpool pupils focus on a **big question**, based on a current news story, which relates to one of the fundamental British Values: **Democracy, Rule of Law, Individual Liberty, Mutual Respect, Tolerance of Different Faiths and Beliefs.**

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This half term, pupils have focused on the following questions:

- How has football influenced black history? (Black History Month 2022)
- What challenges do leaders face?
- Will robots make the world a better place?
- Should more be done to help rescue pets?
- Should we ever have to change our appearance?
- What can football teach us about the wider world?
- Are some jobs more important than others?
- Are television channels as important as they once were?
- What would it be like to live on the moon?

For more information about our British Values Curriculum, please go to our website [here](https://www.dawpool-ce.eschools.co.uk).

Celebration Worship

Each Friday, we present awards to pupils who have displayed our school values in action:

- Learning Values Award
- Fruit of the Spirit Award
- Dawpool Special Mention

Congratulations to all pupils who have received awards this half term.

Dawpool Ambassador Awards



Today, we presented our **Dawpool Ambassador Badges** to 16 pupils who have proven to be outstanding ambassadors of Dawpool's values this half term. The Dawpool Ambassadors can wear their badges every day on a permanent basis. We present Ambassador badges at the end of each half term. Congratulations to the following children:

**Thomas Elson
Eva Benopoulos
Sophie Brown
Zach Eneh
Charlotte Mitchell
Theo Baxter
Leah Anderson**

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Austen Raynor
Rory Green
Isobel Morse
Jacob Reynolds
Isobel Crawford
James Parry
Olivia Lupson
Ella Willerton
Charlie Bibby

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Forthcoming Church Services

Sun 11th Dec

9.00am BCP Communion at St Bart's

10.30am All Age at St Chad's—Nativity

Sun 18th Dec

9.00am BCP Communion at St Bart's

10.30am Morning Worship at St Barts

6.30pm Carol Service at St Chads

Saturday 24th Dec Christmas Eve

3.00pm Crib Service at St Chads

(focused for KS1 and younger children)

6.00pm Christingle Service at St Bart's

(focused for KS2 and above and adults)

11.15pm Holy Communion at St Bart's

Dec 25th - Christmas Day

9.00am BCP Communion at St Bart's

10.30am Communion at St Chads



Church News

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

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1st Jan 2023
10.30am Methodist Covenant Service at
Irby Methodist Church – *This will be our
only service this day and we encourage
everyone to join us.*

A warm welcome
for all
at the
Warm Hub

Free of charge

Everyone is welcome to come
and be in a warm, safe space
at St. Chad's Church, Roslin Road, Irby CH61 3UH
0151 648 8169

St Chad's Church. Roslin road are offering a warm safe space on a Tuesday starting from **6th December**.

During this season of Advent, please join us in remembering the real meaning of Christmas. Follow the plan and read about the Christmas story each day in your Bible.

CHRISTMAS
Bible Reading Plan



☆ Day 1: Genesis 1:1-5; 1:26-31	☆ Day 18: John 5:1-30
☆ Day 2: Genesis 2:15-3:7; Romans 3:23	☆ Day 19: Luke 22:66-71; 23:13-25;
☆ Day 3: Genesis 3:8-24; Isaiah 59:1-2	Luke 23:33-49
☆ Day 4: Romans 5:12; 3:23; 6:23; Isaiah 53:6	☆ Day 20: John 20:1-31
☆ Day 5: Genesis 3:15; Romans 7:24-25	☆ Day 21: 1 John 1:5-2:2
☆ Day 6: Isaiah 9:2-7	☆ Day 22: Colossians 1:9-23
☆ Day 7: Isaiah 11:1-10	☆ Day 23: Deuteronomy 30:9-15;
☆ Day 8: Isaiah 53; 1 Peter 2:21-25	Romans 10:5-13; Matthew 1:23
☆ Day 9: Psalm 118:19-29	☆ Day 24: Galatians 4:1-7
☆ Day 10: Luke 1:1-25	☆ Day 25: Luke 2:1-20
☆ Day 11: Luke 1:26-38	☆ Day 26: Luke 2:21-40
☆ Day 12: Luke 1:39-56	☆ Day 27: Matthew 2:1-12
☆ Day 13: Luke 1:57-80	☆ Day 28: Romans 5:12-21
☆ Day 14: Matthew 1:18-25	☆ Day 29: John 14:1-7; Romans 8:31-39
☆ Day 15: John 1:1-18	☆ Day 30: Philippians 2:1-11
☆ Day 16: John 1:19-34	☆ Day 31: Revelation 4:8-5:14
☆ Day 17: John 3:9-21	

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 **Wednesday 4th January 2023**.

David Burrows
Head Teacher

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