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Dear Parents and Carers,

What a week it has been!

Firstly, thank you for your support and patience throughout this week's heatwave. Temperatures soared, but thanks to a combination of careful planning, some very creative teaching and the fans that were purchased, we were able to keep the children safe, comfortable and smiling.

Across school, staff adapted activities brilliantly to make the most of the weather while ensuring everyone stayed cool. PE lessons involved water balloon throwing and catching, indoor OPAL sessions included bottles of water and plenty of opportunities to chat with friends in the shade, and outdoor learning took place whenever possible. It was wonderful to see the children enjoying the sunshine responsibly while continuing to learn and have fun.



Who would have thought we would nearly have to cancel a visit to Thurstaston Beach because the weather was too nice? Thankfully, with a few alterations, lots of buckets, plenty of iced water and some changes to our risk assessments, the visit was able to go ahead. The children had a fantastic time and created some wonderful memories.



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Our F2 children were also able to enjoy their planned visit to Ness Gardens. The trip had to be adapted slightly to ensure that both children and staff could remain cool and safe in the high temperatures. A guided tour through the beautiful woodland areas proved to be a wonderful alternative and was thoroughly enjoyed by everyone. The children had a fantastic day exploring and learning outdoors.

"My mum got to help. I loved Ness Gardens." Poppy

A huge thank you to all of our families for your support, understanding and patience throughout the week. Your help in ensuring children arrived at school with hats, water bottles and suncream already applied made a tremendous difference. We are incredibly grateful for your partnership in helping us keep everyone safe and comfortable during the hot weather.

At the beginning of the week, Year 6 headed off on their residential visit to the Conway Centre in Anglesey. I had the privilege of joining them on Tuesday and have to say that they are one of the most delightful classes I have ever attended a residential with. The support they showed one another, their willingness to have a go and their determination to push themselves outside of their comfort zones was truly inspiring.

From raft building and canoeing along the Menai Strait to tackling the via ferrata, nightlines and

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ziplines, the three days were action-packed. Unsurprisingly, there were also a few opportunities to cool off with some well-timed splashes and jumps into the water! I am incredibly proud of every single member of Year 6. They were outstanding ambassadors for our school and perfect role models throughout the trip.

"It was epic" Max

"I felt like a whole new person" George

"I liked the canoe-it was fun" Emily

"The ziplines were very fun and it was nice to be around my friends" Jake

"I loved the activities" Charlotte M

Their behaviour, kindness and enthusiasm did not go unnoticed by the staff at the Conway Centre, who were full of praise for them.



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"Reflecting on it yesterday it's the way they just got on with stuff they were doing - almost asides to their ability or challenges. They just got stuck in and did it. Nobody seemed to get overwhelmed. They just pushed through. It was impressive." Conway instructor

Year 4 also enjoyed taking part in an RSE workshop to celebrate RSE Day. This year's theme, "It Begins With Me," encouraged children to think about the positive impact they can have on themselves and others. Through a range of engaging activities, the children explored self-esteem, reflected on their own strengths and considered how their words and actions can affect the feelings of those around them. It was a valuable opportunity for the children to develop their understanding of kindness, respect and positive relationships.

"We coloured stars and wrote nice things on them to give to our friends which was good for their self esteem." Dara Y4

"The Would You Rather?' game had lots of really fun options to make us really think." Isabella y4

And it is not just Year 6 and Year 4 who have made us proud this week.

Year 2 recently took part in the Young Writers *Monster Acrostic* poetry competition. The children were challenged to invent a monster's name and create a poem using words or sentences beginning with each letter of that name. The entries were so impressive that, instead of selecting just one or two winners, the Young Writers team asked if they could publish the poems from the entire Year 2 class!

The collection will be included in a book published on 26th July, and even more excitingly, a copy will remain in the National Archives of the British Library forever. School will also receive a copy for our library. We are enormously proud of the children's creativity and achievement, and every child has been awarded a certificate in recognition of their success.

Our Eco Group has also had some exciting news. We were thrilled to discover that we are runners-up in a local litter and recycling competition to name a bin wagon. Keep your eyes peeled around the local area as you may spot our winning entries proudly displayed on the side of a bin wagon! Congratulations to the children whose wonderfully imaginative names, 'Smellicus' and 'Binny McBinface', impressed the judges. We couldn't be prouder of our environmentally-minded pupils.

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As we move towards the final few weeks of the school year, it is lovely to reflect on the many ways our children continue to impress us—through their creativity, courage, kindness and willingness to embrace every opportunity that comes their way.

Thank you, as always, for your continued support. We hope you enjoy a wonderful and hopefully a cooler weekend with your families.

Warmest wishes,

Mrs Helen Griffiths

**NEXT WEEK**

**Monday 29th June**

Lunchtime Prayer Club

3.30-4.15pm Drama Club

3.30-4.30pm Summer Olympics F2-Y2

**Tuesday 30th June**

Lunchtime Cricket Club for Y5 and Y6

3.30-4.30pm Y3/4 Art Club

**Wednesday 1st July**

Transition Day

3.30-4.30pm Chess Club

**Thursday 2nd July**

3.30-4.15pm Choir

3.30-4.15pm Drama Club

**Friday 3rd July**

**SATURDAY 4TH JULY**

**SUMMER FAIR 1-4pm**



It will be Year 3 for Forest School next Wednesday.



Monday-Lunchtime Prayer Club  
Monday-Lunchtime Chess Club  
Monday-Drama Club & Summer Olympics  
Tuesday-Lunchtime Cricket Club Y5&Y6-  
Art Club Y3&Y4

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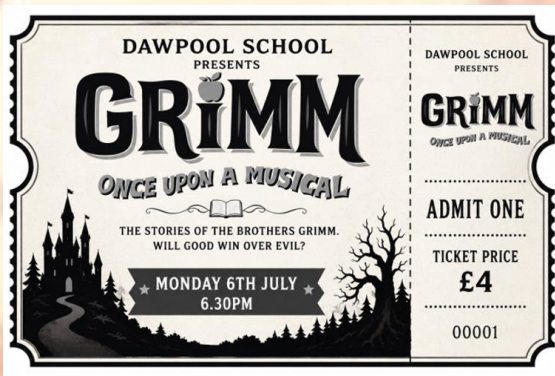
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Wednesday - KS2 Chess Club  
Thursday-KS2 Choir Club & Drama Club

### Drama Club Production



The Dawpool Drama Group and School Choir have been busily rehearsing for their latest performance 'Grimm Once upon a Musical' which will take place on Monday 6th and Tuesday 7th July with tickets priced at £4 each. Information about purchasing the tickets will be sent home next week.

After the second phase of counting Y1 are still in the lead with Y5 close behind.

F2 and Y3 are bringing up the rear. Don't forget to return sold tickets (and unsold books) by **Tuesday 30th June** as only pre-sold tickets will be included in the count for the special class prize.

### **We need your help**

To make the fair a success and keep all our stalls and activities running throughout the day, we need your help. We just need one member from every Dawpool family to sign up and spare just one hour of their time. Without you we will need to close stalls and reduce what's on which we really don't want to do. Please sign up using the link below:

<https://signup.com/go/ypQyTq>

Thank you for your support.

**Summer Fair - less than 2 weeks away!**  
**Saturday 4th July, 1pm to 4pm**

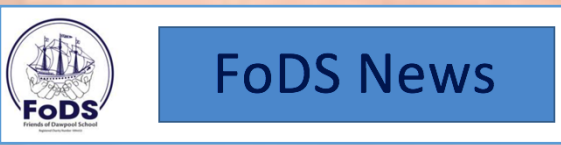
We are looking forward to welcoming all our families and local community to our biggest event of the year next Saturday.

Why not make the most of your day by booking in advance:

Boo's Zoo Interactive Experience

Get up close and personal with all the animals in this fantastic hands-on experience.

Advanced online bookings only, limited spaces left, some times have already sold out.



### **Summer Fair Raffle Tickets**

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### Unlimited Inflatables Wristband

Give your child unlimited fast-pass access to the inflatables.

Last few left to buy, so be quick, once they're gone they're gone. Pre-orders only for collection at the entrance on the day.

### Tokens

Save time on the day by buying your child's tokens to use on the games and stalls. Collect at the entrance on the day.

\*ALL AVAILABLE ONLINE NOW:\*

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

### Donation Reminder:

Just a quick reminder for donations to be brought in next week for the summer fair...

- Teddies for our Teddy Tombola – Clean, washed teddies please (from 29th June)
- Bric-a-Brac – Books, games, toys, household items, etc. (from 29th June)
- Cake Donations – For our Cake Stall (from Friday 3rd July)
- Plant Donations – For our always very popular Plant Stall (from Friday 3rd July)

If you have any spare items suitable for another stall, please feel free to send them in too.

Thank you all for your continued generosity, and fantastic support – it is greatly appreciated.

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### Dawpool Primary School 2026 Tea Towel

Our children have been busy creating their self-portraits this month, ready for the 2026 Tea Towel!

Each tea towel features the children's hand-drawn self-portraits alongside staff members, making it a unique keepsake of this special school year. It's a wonderful memento for parents, grandparents, and family members to treasure for years to come.

### ORDER BY 8PM ON 30TH JUNE

Pre-order your personalised 2026 Tea Towel now and receive it before the end of the summer term:

<https://friends-of-dawpool-school.sumupstore.com/product/pre-order-dawpool-primary-school-2026-tea-towel>

## CHURCH NEWS

Sunday 28 <sup>th</sup> June	9.00am BCP Communion at St Bartholomew's 10.30am Holy Communion with Junior Church at St Chad's
Sunday 5 <sup>th</sup> July	9.00am BCP Communion at St Bartholomew's 10.30am Holy Communion at St Bartholomew's
Sunday 12 <sup>th</sup> July	9.00am BCP Communion at St Bartholomew's 10.30am All Age Service at St Chad's

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

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

Email:

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

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

Twitter:

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**Plant Sale**

Lots of lovely plants waiting for a new home(see poster below). Please come along and buy - you don't have to partake in the strawberry cream tea . Pre orders have been taken for the cream teas but some may be available on the day.

We hope to have fair weather and the garden set up for the children too.



**Strawberry Cream Tea**



**& Plant Sale**



**Saturday 27<sup>th</sup> June**  
**2-4 pm St Chad's**

Tickets for the cream tea are £5 per person and include:

**Cake, scone with cream & fresh strawberries or jam and hot drink (children's snacks and juice available)**

Tickets from church office  
or contact Elizabeth tel: 07800797227

St Chad's, Roslin Road CH61 3UH Tel : 0151 648 1816  
Email: [office@thurstaston.org.uk](mailto:office@thurstaston.org.uk)

office open Tuesday Wednesday & Thursday 9.30am-12.30pm (term time)

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**HL TC** Hoylake Lawn Tennis Club

# SUMMER CAMPS 2026

AT HOYLAKE LAWN TENNIS CLUB

**LEARN NEW SKILLS • BE ACTIVE • MAKE FRIENDS • HAVE FUN**

**BOOK YOUR PLACE TODAY!**

- LEARN NEW SKILLS**  
Improve your tennis technique and learn new skills in a fun and supportive environment.
- BE ACTIVE**  
Stay active, build confidence and enjoy games and challenges every day.
- MAKE FRIENDS**  
Make new friends, work as a team and create memories that last a lifetime.
- HAVE FUN**  
Action-packed days filled with fun, creativity and lots of tennis!

**SUMMER CAMP DATES**

- 1 Mon 27th to Thurs 30th Jul
- 2 Mon 3rd to Thurs 6th Aug
- 3 Mon 10th to Thurs 13th Aug
- 4 Mon 17th to Thurs 20th Aug
- 5 Mon 24th to Thurs 27th Aug

**TIMES**  
 Reception (minimum age 4) 9am - 12 noon  
 Year 1 to Year 6 9am - 4pm

**COSTS**

**WEEKLY**  
 Mornings - £64 members / £80 non members  
 Full Day - £80 members / £96 non members

**DAY RATE**  
 Mornings - £18 members / £22 non members  
 Full day - £25 members / £30 non members

**A GREAT COACHING TEAM**  
 Our friendly, experienced and LTA qualified coaches are here to help every player improve, have fun and enjoy their tennis!

**CAMPS ARE RUN BY LTA QUALIFIED AND LICENSED COACHES.**

**FLEXIBLE TO SUIT YOU - PICK AS MANY OR FEW DAYS AS YOU LIKE!**

**WE HAVE A MORNING AND AFTERNOON BREAK. PLEASE PROVIDE PLENTY OF FLUIDS AND A PACKED LUNCH (BREAK BETWEEN 12-1).**

**PRIZES**  
 LOTS OF GOODIES THROUGHOUT THE WEEK PLUS A PRESENTATION ON THE LAST DAY WITH CERTIFICATES AND A PLAYER OF THE CAMP AWARD.

**PLEASE NOTE**  
 Please assume that your child will have a place on the camp.

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