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Non-Uniform Day

Many thanks for your donations for our nonuniform day. We raised **£680** through cash and Virgin Money Giving donations!! A fantastic sum, we are so very grateful.



Further to our information in the newsletter last week regarding Amazonsmile and how it can help FoDS we have just received our latest donation of £48.82. This takes our total for this school year to £155.55. This is a simple way to help FoDS while shopping at Amazon.

Bag2School

Please remember our next Bag 2 School collection is on **Thursday 24th June**. Bags may be delivered to school from 2pm on Wednesday 23rd June and by 9am on Thursday 24th June. Thank you for your support.



Walk to School Challenge

Dawpool has chosen to be part of a nationwide challenge to encourage more children and their families to walk to school. WOW – the yearround walk to school challenge - is delivered by Living Streets, the UK charity for everyday walking, to help as many children as possible experience the benefits of walking to school. WOW is a pupil-led initiative where children selfreport how they get to school every day.

If they travel sustainably (walk, cycle or scoot) once a week for a month, they get rewarded with a badge. There are 11 badges to collect during the year – we hope that every child will be able to collect them all. A separate email has been sent with more information ready for everyone to start after half term.

School Photographs

The class photographs will be taken on Thursday 10th June and all children should come to school smartly dressed in summer uniform. We request that hair accessories

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coordinate with school uniform colours. Please note that children who have PE or are attending the Summer Games Club on this day should bring their PE kit in a separate bag.

Polite reminder

Could we ask that parents ensure all uniform is labelled particularly jumpers/cardigans and coats. In the warmer weather children often take these off and it is difficult then to get them back to the correct child if they are not labelled. Our lost property is overflowing!



After School Extra Curricular Clubs

Rounders Club for Years 3-6 starts on our first day back, **Monday 7**th **June**. All applicants have secured a place. Could those children come to school in their PE kit/sportswear each Monday.

Summer Games Club for Years F2-Y2 starts on the **10th June**. This club was oversubscribed and those who did not secure a place have had their payment returned to them. If your child is attending, for the 10th June only, they should attend in School uniform as it is the day the class photographs are being taken. For future Thursdays they should attend in PE kit/ sportswear. Full of Beans are running some half term holiday camps and separate flyers are attached.

School Dinners

The request for our final dinner money invoice has been sent out today. Please endeavour to pay this within the first week back after half term or contact us if there is a problem with this.

If your child does not wish to continue on school dinners in September or alternatively wants to go onto school dinners, please can you let us know by the end of June. Many thanks.

We will return on a week 1 menu. These can be seen on the website under 'Information'.

Parents' Meetings

Thank you for helping us to make the recent parents' meetings run smoothly. Hopefully the conversations you had with the teacher, combined with the written information you received, gave you a good overview of your child's learning and wellbeing since lockdown ended. The DfE acknowledge that assessment and reporting in primary schools will look very different this year. Disruptions to the curriculum has meant that schools are not in a position to assess pupils in the usual way and all statutory

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assessments for 2021 have been cancelled. We are hopeful that the new academic year will be less disrupted and we can return to our usual assessments and reporting formats. Of course, if you have any further questions or would like more information about your child, please arrange a further conversation with the class teacher by contacting the school office.

11 + Registration – Year 5 Pupils

A reminder that the deadline for online registration for pupils to sit the 11+ examination in September 2021 is this **Monday 31st May**. Please register at https://www.wirral.gov.uk/schools-and-

learning/school-admissions.

If you need to speak to someone regarding the 11+, please phone Wirral admissions on 0151 666 4600.

Half term food support

All children – from nursery to college-age – in need of food support will be able to pick up lunch over the half-term from ten food hubs/collection points across the borough at:

- 3 sites in Birkenhead (Rock Ferry, Birkenhead North, Central Birkenhead)
- 3 sites in Wallasey (Liscard/Seacombe, New Brighton, Leasowe)

- 2 sites in Wirral South (Eastham, New Ferry)
- 2 sites in Wirral West (Woodchurch, Hoylake)

Each hub will provide 50 lunches per day for four days of the May half-term, providing a total of 2000 meals.

The half-term food partner, Neo Community, has kindly produced a map which shows the location of the ten lunch collection points and times. We have attached a copy with this week's Dawpool News.

Additional support for half-term

As well as the support outlined above, help is available across the borough from a wide range of community-based groups. The Wirral Infobank website <u>www.wirralinfobank.co.uk</u> provides information about their services, including community food providers and social supermarkets.

Wirral Council can also provide emergency support for those unable to pay for the food they need. Residents can apply for help online at <u>www.wirral.gov.uk/foodhelp</u> or by calling the Coronavirus Helpline on 0151 666 5050 or Citizens Advice Wirral on freephone 0808 278 7848.

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Relationships, Sex & Health Education (RSHE)

Thank you to the parents who have responded to our consultation survey regarding Relationships, Sex & Health Education (RSHE). The Department for Education (DfE) is making Relationships and Health Education (Primary) and Relationships, Sex Education and Health Education (Secondary) compulsory in all schools. To introduce parents to all the proposed changes and ensure everyone is well informed, we have created an <u>RSHE page</u> on our website which contains the following information:

- Draft RSHE Policy
- RSHE Statutory Guidance & Church of England Guidance
- RSHE Guide for Parents & Carers
- PSHE Programme of Study
- Science planning
- Sample HeartSmart Lesson Materials & Introduction Video
- Link to consultation survey

Our RSHE Parents' Consultation Survey is still available for you to complete. Your input and views are greatly valued.

In response to the feedback already received, we have updated the <u>RSHE page</u> to include the relevant science plans that deliver the statutory

objectives for sex and health education and provide the detail of what is taught.

COVID-19

We are hopeful that restrictions will continue to be lifted as we move through the summer term. After half term, we will slowly begin to enable bubbles to mix for playtimes. Pupils will also come together in key stages for collective worship. Of course, this will be managed carefully in accordance with the guidance issued to schools. In the meantime, the protective measures remain in place and we thank you for all that you are doing to keep our school community safe.

Church News



Please visit <u>https://www.thurstaston.org.uk/</u> for information about this week's services. You can also visit the <u>Church Facebook Page</u>.

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MAY 2021 SERVICE PATTERN

ZOOM Services:-Joining details available

by emailing the Rector
May 2nd 6.00pm All-Age Service
May Oth C 20pm Euclide Descent

May 9th 6.30pm Evening Prayer Thursday 13th May (Ascension Day) 8pm Evening Prayer May 16th 6.30pm Evening Prayer May 20th 6.30pm Evening Prayer May 30th 6.30pm Evening Prayer

ZOOM Coffee and Chat:-Wednesday mornings 10.15-11.00am 5th May, 12th May, 19th May Joining details available

by emailing the Rector No agenda just turn up and chat with whoever else appears

SERVICES IN CHURCH:-

Assuming Step 3 of the Govt Roadmap happens on 17th May we will return to "in person" services. YOU WILL NEED TO BOOK FOR THESE SERVICES - details on the website and in the parish magazine.

> Sun 23rd May 9.30am HC at St Chad's 11.15am HC at St Bart's Wed 26th May 10.15am HC at St Chad's Sun 30th May 8.00am BCP HC at St Bart's

9.30am MW at St Chad's

There is lots to look forward to after half term, and we will write to you in the first week back with our plans. In the meantime, have a lovely break.



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