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WHEN WE RETURN

Monday 2nd June

Class Photographs

Lunchtime Football Group 2

3.30-4.15pm Choir

Tuesday 3rd June

Wednesday 4th June

3.30-4.30pm Chess Club Y3-6

Thursday 5th June

Lunchtime Football Group 1

3.30-4.30pm Drama Club Y5/6

3.30-4.30pm Summer Olympics F2 Y1 Y2

Friday 6th June

Y3 Stone Age Day

Key Dates for the Summer Term

Further details will be shared regarding the following events:

Y5 & 6 Swimming: 9th – 13th June
Y4 Floral Pavilion Dance Festival: 18th June
Y5 & 6 Romeo & Juliet, Royden Park: 25th June
F2 Ness Gardens: 2nd July
Y6 Art Gallery: 3rd July
Drama Club Wizard of Oz show: 7th & 8th July
Y6 Chester Cathedral: 9th July
Y6 Residential: 14th – 16th July
Y6 Leavers Service: 18th July

SCHOOL NEWS

Ofsted Inspection

This week, the school received a two day graded inspection from Ofsted. When the report becomes available, it will be shared with parents and carers.

Sports day

Sports Day – Years 1-6

Thank you to all the families that joined us for Sports Day at The Oval. Well done to all the children who participated and showed amazing team spirit.

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The Big Toddle – F1 & F2



Thank you to everybody for attending our annual 'Big Toddle'. It was amazing to see everybody completing the walking challenge to raise money for such an incredible cause. A big thank you for all of the effort that went into creating the costumes for the children.

Y2 Visit to St Bartholomew's Church

Year 2 enjoyed a wonderful visit to St Bartholomew's as part of their RE unit on the Church. They learnt about the things that make the place special and holy as well as some of the activities that happen in the church. They spent time in silence (yes, really!) and did some drawings of the altar, paschal candle, stained glass windows and the font. Many thanks to Rev'd Jane for the warmest welcome on what had been a very busy day for both staff and pupils!

Statutory Assessments

Whilst all schools are required to deliver a range of statutory assessments each year, Dawpool's priority is to ensure that they are always administered in such a way that the children are happy and at ease. In many cases, the children won't be aware that they are doing a test and will approach them as a part of their usual classroom activities.

The timetable for remaining statutory assessments is as follows:

Year 1 Phonics Check

The Year 1 Phonics Check will take place during the week commencing 9th June 2025. The check is administered on a 1:1 basis with Mrs Ham, or another member of staff who knows your child well, and the children will be unaware it is a test. The children will see it as part of their normal phonics activities. Phonics scores will be shared with parents at the end of the academic year. More information for parents can be found on the Department for Education website [here](#).

Year 2 SATS

End of Key Stage 1 (KS1) assessments became non-statutory from the 2023/24 academic year onwards. Schools are able to access optional KS1 tests to help identify where pupils need additional support as they transition into Key Stage 2. KS1 optional tests will be used in the summer term alongside teacher-assessed

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judgements to monitor and report on your child's progress. More information for parents can be found on the Department for Education website [here](#).

Year 4 Multiplications Tables Check

The Year 4 Multiplication Tables Check will take place any time between 2nd – 13th June 2025. The check is administered on a 1:1 basis with Mrs Broadbent or Mrs Hall, or another member of staff who knows your child well. More information about the Multiplication Tables Check can be found on the DfE website [here](#). The Multiplication Tables Check scores are shared with parents at the end of the academic year.

School Photographs

The class school photographs will be taken on our first day back after half term, **Monday 2nd June**. All children should come to school smartly dressed in summer uniform. We request that hair accessories coordinate with school uniform colours. Please note that children who have PE / Forest Schools on this day should bring their kits in a separate bag. Thank you.

School Dinners Payment

The request for our final dinner money invoice will be 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 in writing/email **by the end of June**. Many thanks.

11 + Registration – Year 5 Pupils

Please note that the registration window for pupils to sit the 11+ examination in September 2025 closes on **31st May**. Please register by clicking [here](#). (Leaflets have already been sent to parents with information.) If parents are unable to register online, they can obtain paper forms by calling the Call Centre on 0151 666 4600.

If you have any questions about registering for the 11+ or the selective testing process, please contact mainstream admissions as follows:

Email: secondaryplaces@wirral.gov.uk

Phone: 0151 666 4600.

Minority Ethnic Achievement Service

A guide for parents/carers to foster understanding, empathy, and inclusion has been included with this week's Dawpool News.

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Half term fun

Please see the attached flyer with details of a half term multi activity camp being run by Full of Beans.

Direct booking link is; <https://bit.ly/43kE09W>

Or via the website www.fullofbeansfitness.co.uk

There are also additional flyers attached covering a variety of other activities available.

Have fun!

Wishing all families an enjoyable half term.

*Mrs McCann
Acting Headteacher*



FoDS News

We hope the children enjoyed the rocket lolly sale! We raised just over £35. We're eager to do more "Frozen Fridays" in the coming weeks; we'll message on the WhatsApp groups to let you know when.

Thank you for supporting FoDS during sports day and buying refreshments. The Blue Stone Coffee company have donated 20% of the takings straight to FoDS, so we will receive just

under £70, which brings us ever closer to our target.

We are still busy counting the last donations from our Bounce-a-thon....but so far, we have raised over £2000! We are absolutely blown away by this and so grateful to everyone who donated. Thank you for sharing the fundraiser with friends and family, it really made a huge difference. Grand total to be announced when we return!

Summer fair planning is ticking along nicely! We still have availability for independent stalls to join us at the fair on 5th July, so if you or anyone you know would be interested in having a stall, do get in touch.

Have a wonderful half term.

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 25th May	9.00am BCP Communion at St Bartholomew's 10.30am Communion with Junior Church at St Chad's
Sunday 1st June	9.00am BCP Communion at St Bart's 10.30am Holy Communion at St Bart's
Sunday 8th June	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 Thurstaston and St Chad's Irby, please visit:

Website:

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