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Football Glory!



We are so delighted for the boys of the Dawpool Football Team, pictured here as the **WINNERS** of the Final of the Houlihan Cup! They won the final 2–1, with the last goal 5 minutes from the end, which was fabulous! They played as a team with such spirit, it was a pleasure to watch.

Congratulations to all of the boys who have participated in the Houlihan Cup tournaments this year and fought off competition from so many Wirral Schools to emerge triumphant – we are very proud of you!

A big thank you to Mr Greenop for all of his hard work with Sport at Dawpool.

Noah's Ark

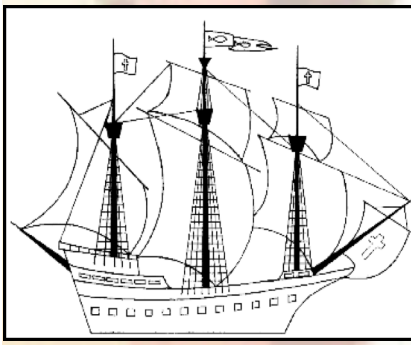
It was lovely to welcome our F1 families to a performance of 'Noah's Ark' this week. The children performed with such confidence and enthusiasm. The performance concluded with a presentation of certificates to all F1 pupils for their hard work and achievements during the year. Congratulations to our youngest pupils for their wonderful work.

Teddy Bears' Picnic



Our current F1 and F2 pupils and families attended a Teddy Bears' Picnic on Wednesday morning. The sun shone beautifully whilst the children (and bears) participated in storytelling, parachute games and refreshments. Thank you to FoDS for organising this event.

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FoDS News



FoDS have published an end-of-year review for parents. Please check your child's bag to ensure you have a copy. It can also be downloaded from our website under the 'Our PTA' tab. A huge thank you to everybody who has contributed to FoDS' activities this year – the funds raised really do make a significant difference to the school and we are very grateful.

Welcome Ms Thomas!

We are pleased to welcome a new member of staff to the Dawpool team from September. Ms Felicity Thomas will be joining our Wrap Around Care staff and will be working alongside Mrs Vickers in the management of our after school club. She is looking forward to

meeting everybody at the start of the new academic year.

Walk to School 2016-17

We are excited to tell you about a new walk to school project that Dawpool will be running from September with national charity Living Streets and Wirral Council.



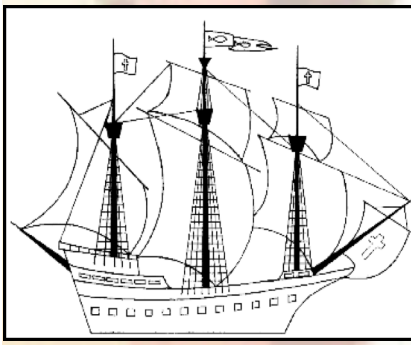
Who is involved?

Dawpool has joined the project which encourages pupils and their families to walk to school at least once a week through an initiative called WoW.

What is WoW?

WoW is a scheme run by Living Streets, the charity behind the national Walk to School campaign, which encourages families to walk to school at least once a

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week. At the end of each month, children who walked at least once every week will receive a special collectable pin badge. There is a different badge to collect for each month of the school year, for 2016/17 the theme of the badges is 'Our Neighbourhood'. Some pictures of the badges are included in this week's news

What if we can't walk to school?

If you live too far away or don't have time to walk the whole way to school, all children can participate in WoW by walking at least 10 minutes to school.

If driving, we recommend that you **Park and Stride** to earn your WoW badge - park safely away from the school e.g. at a friend's house - and walk the rest of the way.

Why are we encouraging walking to school?

Under half of UK children walk to school and this number is decreasing, whilst the number of children being driven to school has doubled in the last 20 years. Dawpool is taking part because of the many benefits we believe it will bring to our children and the community.

What next?

We will be launching WoW with a special Walk to School day on Monday **26th September**. All children who walk all or part of the way to school can earn their first WoW badge to start their collection.

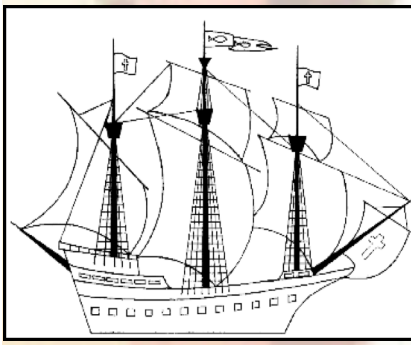
During the Summer holidays, please give serious consideration to this initiative and begin to plan your 'Walk to School' or 'Park and Stride' days. We do hope you will support us with this initiative.



Thank you for your Generosity

All of the staff would like to say a huge thank you to parents and pupils for the cards, gifts and good wishes at the end

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of the year – your generosity is very much appreciated by us all.

Class Prize Recipients

Congratulations to the recipients of this year's class prizes. The following children were presented with a certificate and book token during a special assembly this morning in recognition of their effort this year:

F1: Luke Marley
Charlie Bibby
F2: Fred Fewtrell
Orla Evans
Y1: Thomas Lupson
Ewan Steele
Y2: Ella Bibby
Dylan West
Y3: Abigail Williams
Zachery Paulsen
Y4: James Jones
Katie Staneke
Y5: Grace Swift
India Norton-Jones
Y6: Brodie Jack
Nia Jones

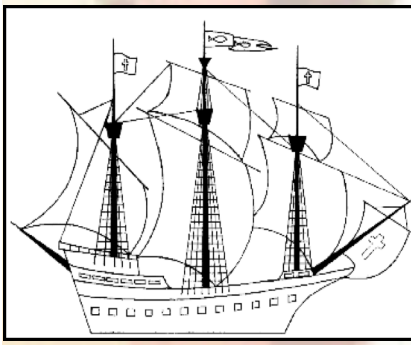
Year 6 Leavers

As the year draws to an end, we say goodbye to our current Year 6 pupils. This morning, our Year 6 children presented a wonderful Leavers' Service which was thought provoking, reflective and lots of fun. Each child was presented with a certificate, a prayer book and a holding cross:

'The Holding Cross presented to you by Dawpool School was made in Bethlehem from native olive wood. Each cross has a unique wood grain pattern and colour – just as each person holds it was created to be special and unique. As you hold the cross, remember all that you have learned about God in this place and that God will be with you in the future.'



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We wish our Year 6 pupils every success as they move to their new schools.



As we finish for the Summer holidays, I wish to take this opportunity to thank the whole school community for their support during my first two terms at Dawpool. May I share with you the words to a prayer from Worship this week:

Loving God,

We give thanks for all that has been achieved in our school this year. We remember our successes in competitions, as members of teams and as individuals. We recall the special occasions during the year when we went on visits, took part in a school production, involved visitors and contributed to a fun project.

Let us not forget the new things we have learnt during the year and the friendships we have made.

Prepare us Lord, for all that the next school year will bring by granting our pupils, staff and everyone in our school community a great holiday.

Enjoy the break and we look forward to seeing you all again on Monday 5th September.

Best Wishes

*David Burrows
Head Teacher*

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