



# DAWPOOL C.E. (AIDED) PRIMARY SCHOOL

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### Next Week at a Glance

#### Monday 11<sup>th</sup> July

FoDS meeting at 'The Anchor' – 7:30pm

#### Tuesday 12<sup>th</sup> July

KS2 Production, 2pm and 6pm

#### Wednesday 13<sup>th</sup> July

KS2 Production 9.30am

Family Activity Programme 9.00 am

#### Friday 15<sup>th</sup> July

Musical Concert 9.15am

(Families of musicians and Y4 only)

### FoDS News



### Summer Fair

What a wonderful day we had on Saturday. Thank you so much to the huge team of helpers, including those who were here on Friday night and those who came early on Saturday morning. A special thank you to Gary and Sarah McDermott for very generous donations. Also Mr Shields who covered the fee charged by Evo Teach for the reptiles and Mrs Feather's father in law for printing and donating the programmes. We raised a fantastic £3750 profit which will go towards the purchase of some more HD interactive screens for the school.

### Liverpool Night Rider

The Liverpool Night Ride takes place next weekend and Andy Vickers (Husband of Mrs Vickers) is taking part to raise funds for FoDS. Please support him by visiting the FoDs Virgin Money Giving page [www.virginmoneygiving.com](http://www.virginmoneygiving.com) and under FoDS, campaigns, Liverpool Night Rider and donating. Many thanks.

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#### FoDS Meeting

Our next meeting will take place at 7:30pm on Monday 11<sup>th</sup> July at The Anchor. All welcome.

#### KS1 Production of 'Pirates'

Well done to the children in KS1 for their wonderful performance. The children in Year 2 were fantastic and they were very well supported by F2 and Y1 as their wonderful choir.

The stage is now set for next week's KS2 performances of 'Cinderella & Rockerfella'. We look forward to seeing our KS2 families next week.

The evening performance of Cinderella & Rockerfella will take place at 6pm on Tuesday 12<sup>th</sup> July.

**We ask that all KS2 pupils arrive in school for 5:30pm so that the performance can start on time. Thank you.**

We politely ask that photographs are not taken during our performances. There will be an opportunity to take photographs at the end of each performance. Photographs should be kept for personal use only and not shared on social media sites. Thank you for supporting us with this important safeguarding matter.

#### F1 Presentation to Parents

A reminder that the F1 pupils will perform the story of 'Noah's Ark' to their parents on Tuesday 19<sup>th</sup> July at 9.30am.



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### **Musical Concert**

A musical concert is taking place next Friday 15<sup>th</sup> July at 9:15am. Families of the pupils receiving music tuition in school are invited to attend, including Year 4 parents whose children have been learning the ukulele.

### **Musical Instrument Tuition 2016-17**

Pupils in Y2 – Y5 have today brought home a letter about musical instrument tuition for the new academic year.

We are delighted to welcome some new music tutors to our school from September. Mr Simon Harper will offer tuition in guitar, keyboard and piano. Mrs Debbie Darlington will offer tuition in the violin. Mrs Jane Laird will continue to offer tuition of brass instruments and the Wirral Schools' Music Service will provide tuition of clarinet, flute and saxophone. If you are interested in your child learning an instrument that is not listed here, please do speak to us and we may be able to arrange tuition for

you.



This is an exciting opportunity to grow our music provision at Dawpool and we are keen to recruit as many pupils as possible to music tuition. If you wish your child to receive instrument tuition next year, please return the reply slip as soon as possible to guarantee your place. We ask that the forms are returned to school by Friday 15<sup>th</sup> July at the latest to enable the tutors to prepare their timetables during the Summer holiday.

### **Dinner Money**

Following a review of dinner money, we will be increasing the cost of school meals from £2.00 per day to £2.20 from September (£11 per week.)

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Please ensure all payments for dinner money are brought up to date by the end of the week.

If we do not receive a letter of advice next week to cancel school dinners, we will assume your child will continue in September.

A separate letter has been sent to Year 2 families regarding their lunch requirements for September.

### Reading Books

As we are approaching the end of term, we ask that all reading books are returned to school next week to enable us to stocktake our reading resources for the new academic year.

### INSET Days

All of the term dates for the new academic year can be viewed on the school calendar on the website. There will be 5 INSET days during the academic year 2016-17 as follows:

### **INSET DAYS 2016-17**

**Friday 21<sup>st</sup> October 2016**  
**Thursday 22<sup>nd</sup> December 2016**  
**Friday 23<sup>rd</sup> December 2016**  
**Friday 17<sup>th</sup> February 2017**  
**Monday 5<sup>th</sup> June 2017**

**Please note that the first day back for pupils in September is Monday 5<sup>th</sup> September.**

Please be aware of the school term dates when booking your family holidays. From September 2016, the 'Holiday Request' form will no longer be available. Requests for leave of absence must be put in writing to Mr Burrows. It is unlikely that family holidays will be granted in term time because they do not meet 'exceptional circumstances' criteria. If our pupils are to achieve their potential, good attendance and punctuality is essential. Thank you for your co-operation.

### Family Activity Programme

Just a reminder to our F1 and F2 parents

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who are participating in the Family Activity Programme, the next session takes place next Wednesday 13<sup>th</sup> July at 9:00am.

### Academic Reports

Your child will receive their annual academic report next Friday 15<sup>th</sup> July. The report will provide you with written information about your child's progress.

2016 was the first year of the new Key Stage 1 and 2 tests in Mathematics, Reading and Grammar, Punctuation and Spelling. This year's tests are the first tests to reflect a more challenging primary curriculum, which was introduced in 2014.

As this is the first year of the new tests the results will look different from those of previous years and cannot be compared with them directly.

As part of their academic report, pupils in Year 2 and Year 6 will receive the results of these new statutory assessments. The Department for Education (DfE) have published guidance for parents to

explain how the results will be presented. These guides can be downloaded from our website under the 'Our Curriculum' tab.

### Open Afternoon

Following receipt of your child's academic report, we invite you to an open afternoon on Monday 18<sup>th</sup> July from 3.30pm until 4.30pm when you are invited to visit the classroom and look at your child's work.

### 11+ Familiarisation

The 11+ familiarisation booklet which was administered to Year 5 pupils this week is also available to download from our school website under the 'Our Curriculum' tab.

### School Uniform via Wirral FUSF/FUPS

Wirral FUSF / FUPS will be available to families throughout the summer holiday. Good as new uniform is available from Irby Hub, based in St Chad's Church.

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We have a good amount of stock, including logo sweatshirts, jumpers and coats.

Please email [irbyhub@gmail.com](mailto:irbyhub@gmail.com) to arrange a pick up time. If you have good quality, outgrown uniforms, please drop them into the collection tub in school or at St Chad's for reuse. Wirral FUSS also has a pop up shop in Birkenhead.

See [www.wirralfuss.co.uk](http://www.wirralfuss.co.uk) for details.

### Parish Church News



For Church information, please visit  
[www.thurstaston.org.uk](http://www.thurstaston.org.uk)

### Sunday 10<sup>th</sup> July

9.30am Service at St Chad's  
8.00am and 11.15am Communion services at St Bartholomew's.

Please note that the service leaflet for St Chad's and St Bartholomew's is published each week on our school website. Please visit the 'Our Church' tab to access this information.

### **Sunday 17<sup>th</sup> July – Junior Church Bookgiving Service**

9.30am Family Service led by our children and young people at St Chad's  
11.00am Church Family Picnic at Royden Park (by the trains), bring your picnic, something to sit on and balls/Frisbees etc. Everyone welcome to come and share the fun

If you haven't visited a service at St Chad's or St Bartholomew's recently, please do consider it. It would be lovely to see you there.

### Bible Exhibition.

Our school hall was transformed this morning into a museum. As part of their Religious Education curriculum, our Year

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5 pupils participated in a Bible exhibition and workshop. During the morning, the children were taken on a journey through the Bible, discovering its history, learning about significant Biblical people, stories and events. The morning was filled with lots of practical activity and reflection and was a wonderful occasion. Thank you to the Bromborough Gospel Hall for providing this experience for our pupils.



### Art Workshop

Our Year 6 pupils enjoyed an art workshop this week led by the local artist Ian Fennelly. During the day, the children produced a variety of sculptures to illustrate the words to the following hymn:

### Jesus' Hands Were Kind Hands

**Jesus' hands were kind hands, doing good to all,  
Healing pain and sickness, blessing children small,  
Washing tired feet and saving those who fall;  
Jesus' hands were kind hands, doing good to all.**

**Take my hands Lord Jesus, let them work for you;  
Make them strong and gentle, kind in all I do;  
Let me watch you Jesus, till I'm gentle too,**

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***Until my hands are kind hands, quick to work for you.***

We look forward to creating a wonderful display in school of the sculptures to enable our school community to reflect on the message of the hymn.

All good wishes for a great weekend,

David Burrows

Head Teacher

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