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NEXT WEEK

Monday 29th November

3.30-4.30pm Fun Fitness Years 3-6

Tuesday 30th November

Lunchtime Lego Club

Wednesday 1st December

3.30-4.30pm Chess Club Years 3-6

Thursday 2nd December

Lunchtime Choir practice

3.30-4.30pm Last Mini Olympics Years 1 & 2

Friday 3rd December

Non-Uniform Day for hamper donations

Santa comes to Irby from 5pm



FoDS News

Non-Uniform Day 3rd December

This non-uniform day is in exchange for donations for our adult Christmas hampers. A separate letter has gone home with full details.

Children may wear any non-uniform of their choice but should bring in a donation / gift in their year group colour to go into our Christmas hampers.

The allocated colours for the donations are as follows

F1: Purple

F2: Yellow

Y1: Pink

Y2: Red

Y3: Orange

Y4: Blue

Y5: Gold

Y6: Green

'For I know the plans I have for you,' declares the Lord. 'Plans to prosper you and not to harm you. Plans to give you hope and a future.' (Jeremiah 29:11)

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<u>Christmas Bazaar</u> <u>Friday 10th December</u>

Next week please could you send in any children's raffle prizes you are able to donate along with any further donations towards our teddy tombola and lucky dip prizes (such as matchbox cars, bouncy balls, bubbles, small toys etc). Thank you for your support.



Paper Chain Strips

Paper chains are now on sale at lunchtimes at 50p each. The paper chain will be cut on **Monday 13**th **December**

and the winner will receive a hamper of children's goodies.

Food Bank Support.

There is a collection point (a green bin) by the brick shed on the pedestrian path to donate grocery items to the Wirral Foodbank. We recognise that groceries will be gratefully received by families across Wirral in the lead up to Christmas.

The shopping list consists of the following

Tinned Fish
Tinned Potatoes
Squash
Sugar (small packet if possible)
UHT Milk
Instant Mash
Coffee (small)
Jam
Shampoo
Deodorant

We appreciate your thoughtfulness and generosity and a special thank you to Clare Cooper (Mum of Grace Y1) who will be delivering the donations.



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Christmas Calendar



Monday 6th	Christmas Post Box Opens
December	09:30: Year 1 Christmas Assembly
December	14:00: Year 1 Christmas Assembly
Tuesday 7 th	09:30: Year 3 Christmas Assembly
December	14:00: Year 3 Christmas Assembly
Wednesday	09:30: Year 5 Christmas Assembly
8 th December	14:00: Year 5 Christmas Assembly
Thursday 9th	09:30: Year 4 Christmas Assembly
December	14:00: Year 4 Christmas Assembly
	Christmas Bazaar in school for
Friday 10 th	pupils
December	Pupils can wear a Christmas
	Jumper
Monday 13th	09:30: Year 2 Christmas Assembly
December	14:00: Year 2 Christmas Assembly
Tuesday 14th	09:30: F1 Christmas Assembly
December	F1 Christmas Party
	No afternoon performance for F1
Wednesday	09:30: F2 Christmas Assembly
15 th December	14:00: F2 Christmas Assembly
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Thursday 16th	18:00: Christingle Service at St
December	Bartholomew's Church, for Year 6
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	members per child
	Non-School Uniform Day
Friday 17 th	Christmas Parties for F2-Y6
December	Santa visit
	End of Term



Our school kitchen will be serving Christmas dinner on Thursday 16th December for all pupils. Children may bring a festive hat for wearing during lunchtime.

Please can **ALL** children return the form sent home today indicating whether they wish to have the Christmas dinner on the 16th December. There will be no other dinner options that day so children will need to bring their own packed lunch if they do not wish to opt for this. Thank you.

Radio City Mission Christmas Appeal

It is heartbreaking that 1 in 4 children in Merseyside are living in poverty, with many waking up on Christmas morning without a gift to open.

Each year Radio City Mission Christmas appeal for people to buy an extra present



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that can be passed onto disadvantaged children.

If you can help there is a black bin on the path from the school gate to the playground for any donations.

Gifts should be new and unwrapped.

Many thanks for your support with this which has been coordinated by Jane Illes (mum of Ben in Y4)

Steps of Hope

Steps of Hope are a Christian based street project supporting those who live on the streets of Liverpool.

This year, they are collecting selection boxes to give to the homeless during the Christmas period.

If you would like to donate a selection box to this cause, please send it into the school office. Thank you.

COVID-19 Update
Message from Public Health



Rates of COVID-19 in Wirral seem to be very slowly decreasing. However, they are still too high and local schools are still experiencing COVID-19 outbreaks. As we are also entering the Winter season, viruses other than COVID will be circulating, so schools will face a huge challenge in attempting to reduce the risk of infections spreading.

Whilst we know that infection can and does happen within the school environment, our local Public Health team has told us that almost half of all Wirral's current COVID-19 cases are due to infection within households. On the basis of this, we have been asked to issue the following guidance:

If any member of your household has tested positive for COVID-19 or has any of the main symptoms of COVID-19, your child can continue to attend



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their school only under the following conditions:

- 1. You should book them a PCR test (ideally on day 3-5 after they were first in contact with the household case)
- 2. You should let the setting know what the PCR test result is and if positive your child must stay at home for 10 days of self-isolation.

Your child can continue to attend their setting <u>as long as they remain symptom-free</u> and PCR tests are negative.

We would like to remind you that you can order test kits for your own household via the online service (www.gov.uk/order-coronavirus-rapid-lateral-flow-tests or by calling 119.

Public Health is recommending these measures to ensure the safety of children and staff in our school, to minimise the disruption to children's education and to

ensure our schools remain open. Thank you once again for your continued support and co-operation.

Dogs on the school premises.

Please note that dogs (except assistance dogs) must not be brought onto the school premises (including the staff car park). Some of our children are very afraid of dogs and also become anxious when dogs are tied up near to the pedestrian gates and paths. Please make sure that dogs are kept away from where children are exiting the school and are supervised if they are tied up nearby. Thank you for your cooperation.



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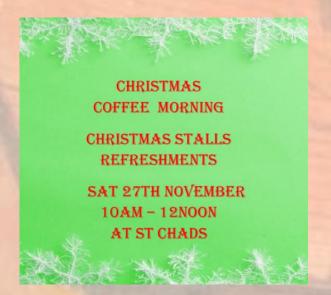
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CHRISTMAS AND NEW YEAR SERVICES

Covid Precautions mean that at all services we will be asking people to use hand sanitiser, wear a face covering and to provide us with contact details for "track and trace".

For Services indicated in RED:

We will NOT be able to guarantee any social distancing measures, but will request that people are sensible and respectful of others.

For Services indicated in BLUE:

We will have some socially distanced seats available.

Sun Dec 5th

9.00am BCP at St Bartholomew's 10.30am HC at St Bartholomew's

9.00am BCP at St Bartholomew's 10.30am All-Age at St Chad's

Sun Dec 19th

9.00am BCP at St Bartholomew's 10.30am MW at St Bartholomew's 4.00pm Carol Service at St Chad's Zoom Evening Prayer 6.30pm Sundays 5th and 12th December Joining details from Revd Jane

Every Wednesday 10.30am Holy Communion at St Chad's

Friday 24th Dec - Christmas Eve
4.00pm Crib Service at St. Bartholomew's
5.00pm Crib Service at St. Bartholomew's
8. In previous years, we will run two services exactly the same one after the other.
We suggest that the 4pm service is for younger (up to and including Reception) children and that the 5pm service is for older children. If you have children in both age brackets - you choose! If coming to the 5pm service, please don't arrive until 4.45pm in order for the 4pm service to have cleared church and car parking spaces!

11.15pm First Communion of Christmas at St Bartholomew's

Saturday December 25th - Christmas Day

10.30am Family Communion at St Chad's
You are invited to bring one of your presents to show to everybody else.
NO OTHER SERVICES TODAY

Sunday December 26th

9.00am BCP at St Bartholomew's NO OTHER SERVICES TODAY

Sunday 2nd January 2022 9.00am BCP at St Bartholomew's 10.30am Covenant Service at Irby Methodist Church we have received an invitation to join our Methodist friends and we would encourage as many as possible to go along. NO OTHER SERVICES TODAY

Have a wonderful weekend.

David Burrows Head Teacher