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NEXT WEEK

Monday 3rd March

Lunchtime Cross Country training for interested pupils Y4-6

Tuesday 4th March

Parents' Evening F2 Y2 Y5 & Y6

Wednesday 5th March

3.30-4.30pm Chess Club Y3-6

Parents' Evening F2 Y2 Y5 & Y6

Thursday 6th March

World Book Day Celebrations

World Book Day Lunch

3.30-4.30pm Drama Club Y5/6

Friday 7th March



FoDS News

Tesco's Stronger Starts

There are only a couple of weeks left to vote with your blue tokens for Dawpool in Tescos.

Please head to our local Tescos for your weekly shop to help support Dawpool's project: 'Outdoor Child Wellbeing Development'.

Fund the improvement of the school's outdoor space to enable our children to experience all aspects of outdoor play and learning to boost mental and physical health.

Thank you for your support.



WONKY BARS - Friday 7th March

In the style of Roald Dahl's Charlie and the Chocolate Factory, we are running our hugely popular "Wonky Bar" (Galaxy) chocolate bar sale, to celebrate World Book Day.

Please use the link below to preorder your chocolate bars by 4th March:

https://friends-of-dawpoolschool.sumupstore.com/product/wonky-bars





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Allergies are catered for – please make a note when ordering.

5 winning chocolate bars have a **GOLDEN TICKET** inside! Prizes include vouchers for Freedome, Climbing Hut, EUREKA and Chill Factore! Thank you.

Wonky Bar Wrapper Design Winners

Congratulations to our Wonky Bar Wrapper design winners-

Josie Clifton from Y2 and Darcy Durbin from Y6.

Thank you so much for all the wonderful entries we received. They were fantastic and it made choosing winners very difficult.



Mother's Day Sale - Thursday 27th March

All the children will have the opportunity to buy a gift for their Mum or another 'wonderful woman'

in their life in school on Thursday 27th March. Each gift will cost £2.50.

You can either pre-pay using the link below and a token will be given to your child in school or cash can be brought in on the day.

https://friends-of-dawpoolschool.sumupstore.com/product/mothers-daysale 26/02/2025



Spring Disco - Friday 28th March

Please save the date for the Spring Disco, attendance is optional.

You can buy tickets online using the below links. EYFS (F1/F2) – 3:25pm to 4:45pm

https://friends-of-dawpoolschool.sumupstore.com/product/spring-discoeyfs-f1-and-f2-friday-28th-march

KS1 (Y1-Y2) – 3:25pm to 4:45pm https://friendsof-dawpoolschool sumupstore com/product/spring-disco-

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KS2 (Y3-Y6 - 5:00pm to 6:15pm

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A letter will be sent home next week with more details

WORLD BOOK DAY

This year we will be celebrating World Book Day in school on **Thursday 6th March**. All children are invited to attend school dressed as their favourite book character, but please do not go to any expense. A simple accessory works just as well. This year's theme is 'Read Your Way'.

'Read Your Way' encourages everyone to let go of reading pressures and expectations, and lets children find fun in reading. Families can find out more and access activities using the following link:

https://www.worldbookday.com/families/

Schoolmoney

One of the main Schoolmoney problems is login issues. The free SchoolMoney app solves this by removing the need for passwords!

It's easy to set up, works on both Android and Apple, and enhances the user experience!

The App benefits are

- Easy mobile number login no need for passwords or emails.
- Always signed in no repeated logins for payments.
- Supports Google Pay and Apple Pay (where available).
- Access to Payments, Bookings, Messages, Noticeboards & Calendars.
- Linked sibling payments, even across different SchoolMoney schools.

You can download the app here.

Bake sale success

Dear staff, pupils, and parents of Dawpool School.

I am writing this note to convey an absolutely huge thank you! The bake sale at the school raised £206.10 for Alder Hey Children's Hospital, and I could not have done it without everyone who helped set up, baked cakes, bought cakes, and especially for the wonderful year 6s who helped us sell the cakes when the stampede of hungry children came to the stall.

I am so pleased that my child goes to such a fantastic school, full of lovely people who are willing to help a good cause.





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I was really impressed by all the pupils' behaviour both at the bake sale and during the assembly I ran to teach them about nursing and Alder Hey.

Thank you again for all your support!

Charlie Jarvis

Statutory Assessments 2025

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 statutory assessments is as follows:

Year 1 Phonics

The Year 1 Phonics Check will take place during 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 KS1 assessments became non-statutory from the 2023/24 academic year onwards. Schools are able to access optional Key Stage 1 tests to help identify where pupils need additional support as they transition into key stage 2. These optional tests will be used in the summer term alongside teacher-assessed 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.

Year 6 SATs

Year 6 SATs will take place on the following dates:

Monday 12th May





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Spelling, Punctuation & Grammar - Paper 1 Spelling, Punctuation & Grammar - Paper 2

Tuesday 13th May English Reading Paper

Wednesday 14th May Maths Paper 1 (Arithmetic) Maths Paper 2 (Reasoning)

Thursday 15th May Maths Paper 3 (Reasoning)

Whilst the Year 6 SATs are more formal in their delivery, we always make sure they are delivered in the most appropriate way for each individual child to ensure they are happy and at ease during the assessments. The results of the Year 6 SATs are shared with parents at the end of the academic year.

Dogs

We understand that dogs are often part of your family and join you on walks to and from school. Please may we remind you that dogs (other than assistance dogs) are not permitted anywhere on the school premises – including the car park. Some of the key reasons for this include: allergies, fears and to maintain hygiene. We kindly ask for your support with this important matter.

This week, a group of pupils from Years 3 and 4 joined Mrs Ham, Mrs Wood and Mrs McCann on a well-being walk. We were also joined by local Wirral Ranger Mr Starkey who taught us about plants and animals in our local area.



Spring is in the air

The dry weather and warm sunshine has enabled pupils to really enjoy our outdoor spaces this week. It has been lovely to see them enjoying each other's company and relaxing in our beautiful school setting.

Well-being Walk





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Wishing all of our school families a wonderful weekend,

Mrs McCann Acting Headteacher children to consider the question together.

For more information about Services and events at St Bartholomew's Thurstaston and St Chad's Irby, please visit:

Website:

https://www.thurstaston.org.uk/

Email:

office@thurstaston.org.uk

Facebook:

https://www.facebook.com/stchadsstbarts/

Twitter:

https://twitter.com/StBartsStChads

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

Sun 2nd March 9.00am BCP Communion at St Bartholomew's

10.30am Holy Communion at St Barts

Sun 9th March 9.00am BCP Communion at St Bartholomew's 10.30am All Age Service at St Chads

Sun 16th March 9.00am BCP Communion at St Bartholomew's 10.30am Morning Worship at St Barts

CHURCH NEWS

As previously mentioned, Rev Jane has been working with the school on "The Growing Faith Adventure".

We have attached March's sheet of engaging ideas which follow the Christian year. Each edition has an overarching question, a story and a choice of activities to enable adults and

