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NEXT WEEK

Monday 14th October

Tuesday 15th October

3:30pm-4:25pm: Tennis Club 3:30pm-4:30pm: Brixmania Club

Wednesday 16th October

3:30-4:30pm: Bats and Balls Club 12:30: Football Club 3:30pm-4:30pm: Chess Club

Thursday 17th October

3:30-4:30pm: Netball Club for Y3/4 3:30-4.20pm: Yoga Club for F2/Y1

Friday 18th October

Wear Red Against Racism Day 3:30-4:30pm Netball Club for Y5/6



FoDS News



Mad Hair Day

On Thursday 24th October FoDs are organising a 'Mad Hair Day'. Please send in £1 on the day with your child and they may have any sort of crazy hair-do, or wear a wig or hair accessories of their choice (no shavings, please). School uniform should be worn as usual.

We appreciate that this is the same day as the flu immunisations but we thought this may help to take the children's minds off it!



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INSET DAY

Just a reminder that **Friday 25**th **October** is an INSET day and the school will be closed to pupils.



Cross Country

Many congratulations to the pupils from Years 4, 5 and 6 who recently represented school at the Wirral Primary Schools' Cross Country race at Arrowe Park. More than 500 children participated from the across Borough. We were immensely proud of all our pupils who attended and showed great courage, determination and support for each other.

The next race will take place on Thursday 17th October at Higher Bebington Park. Letters have been sent

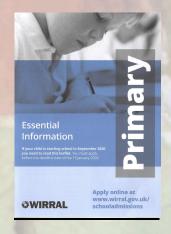
home to all pupils in Years 4, 5 and 6 who expressed an interest.



Open Afternoons

Parents who would like their child to join our Foundation 1 or Foundation 2 class in September 2020 are invited to attend one of our open afternoons in November and December Please contact the school office to book your appointment on 0151 648 3412. We look forward to meeting you.

Foundation 2 Admissions 2020





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The Local Authority have published an information leaflet in relation to the admission of children to Foundation 2 in September 2020. A copy of the leaflet has been sent home with Foundation 1 pupils and can be downloaded from our website under the 'Parent Information' tab. Parents should apply for their school place online at

www.wirral.gov.uk/schooladmissions

The deadline for applications is Wednesday 15th January 2020.

Dawpool's Admissions Policy and Supplementary Form can be downloaded from our website under the 'Admissions' tab.

Please contact the school office if you need any support with the application process.

Parent Governor Vacancies

Information regarding the ballot procedure for the parent governor vacancies was recently sent home.

Please ensure ballot papers are returned to the ballot box in the main entrance to school by <u>noon on Wednesday 16th October.</u> If you have any questions about the ballot procedure, please contact the school office.



We are delighted to receive official confirmation that we are once again Summer Reading Champions! Dawpool are the overall winners of the 2019 Summer Reading Challenge with the most children taking part. Congratulations to all of the children who participated. We will be presenting certificates shortly and have invited Wirral Libraries to present us with a special award during our *Reading Extravaganza* week after half term. We are looking forward to all classes visiting Irby Library during this year.

Reading Extravaganza



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During week commencing 4th November, be having will Reading we a Extravaganza in school. There will be a variety of activities taking place including a sponsored Reading Bingo, Book Fairs and Mystery Reader Visits. The dates for the Book Fairs are Wednesday 6th and Thursday 7th November after school. All monies raised through the sponsored Reading Bingo and Book Fair will enable us to buy new books for our school libraries.

FoDS have kindly agreed to fund a brand new reading scheme for Early Years and KS1 which will cost in the region of £5000. We are very grateful to all our parents for their generosity. We hope that the children will be able to enjoy all of the new books in the New Year. Thank you!



Could you be one of our Mystery Readers?

We would like each class to have a surprise mystery reader visit them during our Reading Extravaganza week. Ideally Mystery Readers will be parents or grandparents who are able to visit the classroom on any day at 3pm to read to pupils for 15 minutes. Mystery Readers can bring their own age appropriate text or we can provide one for you. Remember this is a secret so please don't tell your child if you are visiting.

Please email your availability to schooloffice@dawpool.wirral.sch.uk for the attention of Mrs McCann.



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Merchandise that was ordered at the iSingPOP concerts has now arrived in school and has been distributed to pupils. We hope you enjoy the CD! Merchandise that has been ordered through the school office will arrive in school shortly – it is on its way.

The Peace Proms 2020



Once again, we are delighted that our Key Stage Two choir are singing at next year's 'Peace Proms' concert at the Liverpool M&S Bank Arena. This is a wonderful opportunity for our choir to perform with a full symphony orchestra and work with a leading professional conductor and musicians. The choir have already started

their rehearsals. Further details about purchasing tickets will be available shortly.



Our Autumn Term parents' evenings will take place on Tuesday 12th and Wednesday 13th November. Next week, the children will bring home a letter for parents to return requesting your preferred day for an appointment. You will receive notification of your Parents' Evening appointment before half term.

If you have any questions or concerns, please don't wait until parents' evenings. We are always happy to meet with you. Please contact the school office if you wish to make an appointment to see your child's class teacher.

SCHOOL CLUBS



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Please note that all extra-curricular clubs are <u>cancelled</u> during the parents' evenings on <u>Tuesday 12th and Wednesday 13th November.</u> All cancelled sessions will be rearranged.



Wear Red for Racism

Friday 18th October 2019

We will be working with the children during next week to help them to understand the issue of racism in society. Wear Red Day (WRD) is a national day of action which encourages individuals to wear red. We wish to show our support for anti-racism by asking all children to come to school on <u>Friday 18th October</u> in their own clothes, wearing a red item.

If parents wish to make a donation to this cause, please do so my texting the word RED to **70470** to give £1 or go to their just giving page:

https://www.justgiving.com/theredcard.
Every penny raised during WRD enables the campaign to work with more young people and adults across the UK to challenge racism in society. Further information can be found at https://www.theredcard.org/



At Dawpool, we teach British values to ensure the children leave school prepared for life in modern Britain. We actively promote the fundamental British values of democracy, the rule of law, individual liberty, mutual respect and tolerance of those with different faiths and beliefs.

The focus changes each week according to current affairs, news stories and special occasions. Over the last few



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weeks all pupils have had the opportunity to explore the following issues:

- Are our actions more important than our words? (Individual Liberty)
- Is it wrong to refuse help? (Mutual Respect)
- How important is school uniform? (Democracy)
- Should First Aid be an adult's responsibility? (Individual Liberty)
- What is the best way to help those in need? (Mutual Respect)
- Is it important for others to always know where we are? (Individual Liberty)

A full overview of our British Values curriculum can be viewed on the school website:

https://www.dawpool.wirral.sch.uk/website/british_values/364621

<u>Learning Values Awards</u> <u>Friday 11th October 2019</u>



Congratulations to the following pupils who have demonstrated outstanding effort during the week and have applied our learning values:

Foundation 2
George Lazar & Isaac Griffiths

Year 1

Zach Harvey-Whitwham

Year 2
Thomas McKenzie



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Year 3
Will Parsonage

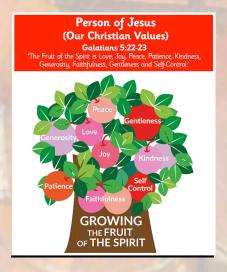
Year 4
Sophia Crocker

Year 5
Alisia Sinnott

Year 6

Daniel Wiseman & Max Roberts

Fruit of the Spirit Awards
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Thank you to the following pupils who have shown our 'Fruits' in action during this week:

Foundation 2

Jake Swain & Evan Nolan

Year 1
Amelia Poston

Year 2
Oliver Poole

Year 3 **Delphine Cross**

Year 4

Jack Poole

Year 5 **Beth James**

Year 6
Ellie McCoy



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Parish Church News

For Church information visit www.thurstaston.org.uk

Sun 13th October 9.30am Junior Church

Have a lovely weekend

My very best wishes,

David Burrows Head Teacher