

# DAWPOOL NEWS ISSUE 25 8<sup>th</sup> September 2017

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#### Welcome Back



Welcome back to the new school year. We hope you had an enjoyable time. The pupils have settled into their new classes and have enjoyed being back with their friends and teachers after the summer holiday.

A special welcome to all of the new pupils and parents who have joined us this week. Thank you to our Year 6 special friends who have helped the F2 children to settle in and feel at home.

We also welcome 4 new members of staff: Mrs Lee (Y6), Mrs Hosker (Y2 & Y1), Mrs Heron (F1) and Miss Marland who is an associate teacher with School Direct and will be based mainly in Year 4 during the year.

# Next week

Monday 11<sup>th</sup> September

Tuesday 12<sup>th</sup> September

3:30pm KS2 Football Club

5:00pm Learning Links Meeting for Y3 Parents 5:30pm Learning Links Meeting for Y4 Parents 6:00pm Learning Links Meeting for Y5 Parents 6:30pm Learning Links Meeting for Y6 Parents

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

3:30pm KS1 Football Club

3:30 pm Chess Club 5:00pm Learning Links Meeting for Y1 Parents 5:30pm Learning Links Meeting for Y2 Parents

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## Thursday 14<sup>th</sup> September

3:30pm KS2 Multi Sports Club

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



### Parents' Meetings

To start the new school year, we give you the opportunity to meet your child's new class teacher(s) and to learn a little about the year ahead. The dates and times of the meetings are:

# F1 & F2: Tuesday 19<sup>th</sup> September at 5:00pm

Year 1: Wednesday 13<sup>th</sup> September at 5:00pm Year 2: Wednesday 13<sup>th</sup> September at 5:30pm

Year 3: Tuesday 12<sup>th</sup> September at 5:00pm

Year 4: Tuesday 12<sup>th</sup> September at 5:30pm

Year 5: Tuesday 12<sup>th</sup> September at 6:00pm

Year 6: Tuesday 12<sup>th</sup> September at 6:30pm.



### School Money

A reminder of your log in information for school dinners has been sent out. Dinners can only be paid via this on-line system.

Any amount can be paid at any time but for your information the amount of dinner

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money due for the half term to October is  $\pounds74.80$  or if you wish to pay up until the Christmas break  $\pounds160.60$ . Otherwise  $\pounds11$  per week should be paid prior to each Monday ( $\pounds2.20$  a day).

If you child is not on school dinners but would like to take a meal on a Friday please ensure your £2.20 for that meal is paid in advance.



Pupils should be provided with a healthy snack for morning break which is either fresh fruit or vegetables or dried fruit. Alternatively, pupils can pay for a slice of toast. Pupils should not consume crisps or sugary snacks during morning break. Pupils will be reminded regularly of this instruction.

#### **Toast Payments**

Toast payments are now due. The cost up to Christmas is £14.60 payable by

cash or cheque payable to Dawpool Primary School.

#### Wraparound Care Payments

Payments for Breakfast and After School club sessions should be made payable to Wirral Borough Council

The invoices for this month's wraparound care sessions were sent out last term. If you have mislaid yours, please ask for a copy or the amount required as payment should be made within 10 days of the due date (5<sup>th</sup> September) as per the terms of your contract

#### **Building Work**

During holiday, the summer we commenced extensive building an project to replace the KS1 toilet facilities. Before the new facilities could be fitted, it was necessary to excavate the entire area to its foundations and replace and reroute the existing drains. Due to the extent of the work required, the project is running behind schedule and will be finished in the next few weeks. To

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ensure the safety of everybody in school, the area is currently cordoned off. We wish to assure you that the children have full access to toilet facilities and the safety of everybody in school is not compromised.

For the parents' meetings next week, we ask that parents enter the school as follows:

Y1: Through the Y1 fire exit door off the main playground.

Y2: Through the fire exit door off the Foundation 2 outdoor area.

Y3, Y4, Y5, Y6: Through the main entrance.

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A huge thank you to all the parents who devoted time and energy during the Summer holidays to redevelop the Foundation 2 outdoor area. This project was entirely managed by our parents who sourced the new equipment, invested the hours to redevelop the space and worked tirelessly to ensure it was completed. We are eternally grateful for their support. We have watched the new F2 children enjoying their new space this week which is delightful!



If you, or someone you know, could help school with some joinery work in the next few weeks, we would love to hear from you. Please contact the school office if you can help us. Thank you.

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#### Autumn Term Dates

The following dates can be found on the school website's calendar and will be updated regularly. Please also check this calendar for other important dates in the Spring and Summer Terms.



**Tuesday 12<sup>th</sup>:** Y3, Y4, Y5 & Y6 parents' meetings.

Wednesday 13<sup>th</sup>: Y1 & Y2 parents' meetings.

**Monday 18<sup>th</sup>:** 11+ Assessment for Year 6 pupils.

Tuesday 19th: F1 & F2 Parents' Meeting

Monday 25<sup>th</sup>: FoDS' Annual General Meeting (AGM) at 7pm in school.

Wednesday 27<sup>th</sup>: Individual Photographs

**Thursday 28<sup>nd</sup>:** 9:10am, Harvest Festival in School – Led by Year 3 (Year 3 Parents invited to attend)



Sunday 1<sup>st</sup>: 9:30am Harvest Festival at St Chad's.

Monday 2<sup>nd</sup>: F1 Parents' Evenings

Tuesday 3<sup>rd</sup>: F1 Parents' Evenings

Friday 21st: Half Term

Monday 30<sup>th</sup>: Return to school



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**Friday 3<sup>rd</sup> November:** Autumn Parents' Forum Meeting (EYFS & KS1)

Sunday 5<sup>th</sup>: Family Service at St Chad's Church (Led by Year 4 pupils).

Tuesday 7<sup>th</sup>: Parents' Evenings

Wednesday 8<sup>th</sup>: Parents' Evenings

**Friday 10<sup>th</sup>:** Autumn Parents' Forum Meeting (KS2)

**Tuesday 14<sup>th</sup>:** Flu immunisations for F2, Y1, Y2, Y3 & Y4

Saturday 18<sup>th</sup>: St Chad's Christmas Fair

w/c Monday 20<sup>th</sup>: Open afternoons for prospective F2 pupils and parents

w/c Monday 27<sup>th:</sup> Open afternoons for prospective F1 pupils and parents



**Tuesday 5<sup>th</sup>:** F2 & KS1 nativity at 9:30am

Wednesday 6<sup>th</sup>: F2 & KS1 nativity at 2:00pm

**Thursday 7<sup>th</sup>:** F2 & KS1 nativity at 9:30am

Tuesday 12<sup>th</sup>: F1 Nativity at 9:30am

Wednesday 13<sup>th</sup>: Y3, Y4, Y5, Y6 Christingle Service at St Bartholomew's Church at 6:00pm (Led by Year 6)

Monday 18<sup>th</sup>: Y3, Y4 & Y5 Carols at St Chad's Church.

Wednesday 20<sup>th</sup>: Class Parties

Thursday 21<sup>st</sup>: School closes

**Friday 22<sup>nd</sup>: INSET day. School closed to pupils.** 

#### January

**Monday 8<sup>th</sup>: INSET day (School closed to pupils)** 

Tuesday 9<sup>th</sup>: Pupils return to school.

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#### **Behaviour Policy**

As explained in a letter to parents at the end of term, one of our school improvement priorities for this year is to improve, where necessary, the expectations of pupils' behaviour at all times of the school day. We have emailed you a copy of the school's revised behaviour policy which can also be downloaded from the website. We ask you to read the policy carefully.

We believe that there is a strong link between good behaviour and high standards of uniform and presentation. We will be encouraging all pupils to take pride in their appearance and we ask that pupils wear the correct school uniform at all times. School shoes should be worn (not trainers). Hair accessories for girls should be discrete and match the uniform. Boys should not have designs shaved into their hair or dyed unnatural colours. I am sure you will appreciate the importance of emphasising these requirements. Thank you for helping us to enforce the high expectations we expect.

#### **Arrivals and Departures**



The opening times for arriving in the school are 8.45am – 8.55am each day. The doors on the main playground will **close at 8:55am.** On arrival at the classroom, a member of staff will record your child's attendance in the daily register which **closes at 9.00am**. Children arriving after 8.55am must come into school via the front reception door and register with staff at the school office. Please note that pupils arriving in the classroom **after 9:00am** will receive a late mark.

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# Departures $\rightarrow$

Our school policy is that no pupil in Foundation Stage, Years 1, 2, 3 and 4 should walk to or from school on their own or be left on their own on the school premises either before or after school. Pupils in these year groups must be collected at the end of the school day.

Parents of pupils in Years 5 and 6 may decide that their child can walk home alone. Your child will be prevented from walking home unless this permission has been given in writing. A separate letter has been sent home to Year 5 and 6 parents with further information.

Pease read the 'Arrivals and Departures' policy on the school website thoroughly so that you are fully informed of these important safeguarding procedures. Thank you.

#### **Parish Church News**

For Church information, please visit

#### www.thurstaston.org.uk

Two Free Events. No tickets required. Both events will be high quality. Why not pop along and hear an inspiring message about Jesus in the matchless style of the Archbishop of York.



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

9.30am Family Communion and Junior Church at St Chad's8.00am and 11.15am services at St Bartholomew's as usual.

> Learning Hero Awards Friday 8<sup>th</sup> September 2017

### Learning Hero Award



The Learning Hero Award is presented to pupils who demonstrate outstanding effort during the week and who show application of our learning powers.

Congratulations to the following pupils:

Year 1 Joselyn Reevell & William Parsonage

Year 2 Fern Hobbs & Matthew Eland

Year 3 Luca Perree

Year 4 Isaac Rimmer

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Year 5 Leo Blakeway & Oliver Norton Jones

> Year 6 Callum Knight

Fruit of the Spirit Awards Friday 8<sup>th</sup> September 2017

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The Fruit of the Spirit Award is presented to pupils who have shown our Christian values in action.

Congratulations to the following pupils:

Year 1 Henry Slade For being so kind and helpful to a new boy in our class! Well done, Henry.

Year 2 **April Ward** For showing self control. Well done, April!

Year 3 Isobel Fletcher For noticing qualities and strengths in others. You demonstrate kindness so well. Thank you, Isobel.

Year 4 Ella Bibby For showing kindness and empathy towards others.

Year 5 Emma Poole For being so kind and thoughtful. Well done, Emma.

Year 6 Joel Heseltine For deep and thoughtful understanding of the Fruits of the Spirit in 'Only One You'. Super start to Year 6, Joel. Thank you.

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Well done to all of our pupils for settling so well this week and working so hard.

We look forward to seeing you next week for the parents' meetings. Have a lovely weekend.

Best wishes,

David Burrows Head Teacher

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