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NEXT WEEK

Monday 24th April

Tuesday 25th April

4:00-5:00pm: NSPCC 'Let's keep kids safe online' workshop (Zoom link here).

Wednesday 26th April

3.30-4.30pm Chess Club Y3-6

Thursday 27th April

3.45-4.15pm Choir rehearsal Y3-6

3.30-4.30pm Summer Sports F2-Y2

Friday 28th April



FoDS News

THANK YOU

Thank you for all your support last term in raising £3,800.72! We look forward to continuing our fundraising this term to upgrade the schools IT

equipment and add to the outdoor area. None of the events are possible without the muchneeded help from parents and teachers, so any help you are able to give, big or small, is greatly appreciated.

Next FoDS Meeting Wednesday 26th April

Our next FoDS meeting is going to be held on Wednesday 26th April, 7.30pm at the Anchor Inn. We will be discussing the Adult Bingo Night, Summer Fair and Summer Disco. We would love to see you there and have your input. If you are unable to attend and would like to help with planning the Summer Fair or Summer Disco, there will be a WhatsApp planning group that everyone will be invited to.







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Save the Dates:

Adult Bingo Night – Saturday 10th June

Summer Fair - Saturday 1st July

Summer Disco – Friday 7th July



Outdoor Track

Over the Easter break we had an outdoor track installed on the school field and the work has been completed this week. The school is delighted with this new addition to our outdoor facilities, opening up the school field to pupils all year round. Future developments around the track will provide for pupils' intellectual, emotional, personal, social, spiritual, creative and physical development within our natural environment. The possibilities are endless and very exciting!

Term Dates

Please note that the term dates to Summer 2024 can be found on the website. Please make sure that family holidays are not booked in term time as they will not be approved and will be recorded as unauthorised absence and may incur a fixed penalty notice.

INDUSTRIAL ACTION

Teachers' Industrial Action

You will be aware that the National Education Union (NEU) has announced further strike action in England. The next dates are:

Thursday 27th April 2023





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Tuesday 2nd May 2023

Please note that **Dawpool is open as usual on these dates** for all children including wraparound care.

Whilst Dawpool will remain open to all pupils, we continue to support the education sector in securing better pay, funding and conditions for our schools.

PE Days

On PE days, pupils should arrive at school wearing their PE kit. Please note that the school PE kit is as follows:

- Navy PE Shorts / Skorts
- White PE T-Shirt (Plain or Dawpool Logo)
- Trainers.

In cooler weather, your child may wear their school jumper or cardigan over the top of their T-Shirt and wear dark, plain tracksuit trousers. Items of PE kit may be purchased from school (see website for more details) or from your preferred supplier.

INSET DAY

Thursday 4th May 2023

Please note, there is one remaining INSET day

for this academic year on **Thursday 4th May** and school will be closed to all pupils.

Year 6 pupils are invited to attend school on 4th May to participate in some revision activities for the forthcoming SATs.

BANK HOLIDAY

There are two Bank Holidays scheduled and school will be closed on these days:

Monday 1st May 2023 (May Bank Holiday)
Monday 8th May 2023 (King's Coronation)

Statutory Assessments 2023

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 12th June 2023. The Check





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is administered on a 1:1 basis with Miss Barron / Mrs Warwood 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.

Year 2 SATS

The Year 2 SATs will take place any time during w/c 15th and 22nd May. These reading and maths activities are delivered informally in small groups with Mrs Young and other classroom staff who know the children well. Mrs Young will use these activities alongside all of your child's work throughout Year 2 to make a teacher-assessed judgement of your child's attainment. The teacher-assessed judgement is shared with parents at the end of the academic year.

Year 4 Multiplications Tables Check

The Year 4 Multiplication Tables Check will take place any time between 5th – 23rd June 2023. The Check is administered on a 1:1 basis with Mr Greenop or other classroom staff who know 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:

Tuesday 9th May

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

Wednesday 10th May English Reading Paper

Thursday 11th May Maths Paper 1 (Arithmetic) Maths Paper 2 (Reasoning)

Friday 12th 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.

Coronation Celebration Day Friday 5th May

On **Friday 5th May**, we will be celebrating the King's Coronation in school with activities and parties. More details will follow soon. Children are welcome to attend school on **5th May** in non-school uniform, wearing red, white and





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Coronation Big Lunch

Families are welcome to attend the Coronation Big Lunch at St Chad's Church on Sunday 7th May, 1-4pm.



COMMUNITY LUNCH & FAMILY FUN

Bring your own lunch.

Hot drinks, Cake and Ice-Cream available

BOUNCY CASTLE

Children's crafts and activities
Colouring competition
Planting Trees for King Charles III

SUNDAY 7 MAY 1 - 4pm ST CHAD'S CHURCH

Roslin Road, Irby CH61 3UH

Let's Keep Kids Safe Online Parent Workshop



Parents of pupils in CDAT schools are invited to attend an online workshop on Tuesday 25th April, 4-5pm delivered by the NSPCC to help support keeping children safe online.

Keeping Children Safe Online will teach you how to help children explore their favourite apps, games and sites safely.

The workshop will:

- Help you experience how the children experience the online world.
- Show you resources and tools that could





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help keep them safe.

Empower you to guide them on their journey.

Parents and carers are encouraged to attend the workshop. Please visit our school website for the Zoom link. It can be found under the 'Information' tab here.

Church News

For more information about 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 Church Services

EVERY Wednesday 10.30am HC at St Chads

Sun 23rd April 9.00am BCP Communion at St Bart's 10.30am Communion at St Chad's

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Sun 30th April 10.30am Holy Communion at St Barts

Sun 7th May 9.00am BCP Communion at St Bart's 10.30am Holy Communion at St Barts

Have a lovely weekend.

David Burrows **Head Teacher**

