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NEXT WEEK

Monday 28th April

Lunchtime Football Group 2

3.30-4.15pm Choir

4pm Cross Country Relay Race at Arrowe Park
for invited students

Tuesday 29th April

Wednesday 30th April

3.30-4.30pm Chess Club Y3-6

7pm FoDS Meeting at The Anchor

Thursday 1st May

Lunchtime Football Group 1

3.30-4.30pm Drama Club Y5/6

3.30-4.30pm Summer Olympics F2 Y1 Y2

Friday 2nd May

SCHOOL CLOSED-INSET DAY



FoDS News

We hope you've had a wonderful Easter holiday.

Our next FoDS meeting will be next **Wednesday, 30th April at 7pm** in The Anchor pub. We will be discussing all the upcoming fundraising events, including our biggest event of the year, the Summer Fair!

We'll be just on the right as you walk in through the main entrance, we hope to see you there.

If you can't make it, but have any suggestions or ideas, please do let us know.

We are pleased to announce that FoDS are funding the £825 transport cost for the children to attend The Oval for our Sports Day on 20th May.

If you would still like to contribute towards the cost, please use the link below. Any donations hugely appreciated.

<https://friends-of-dawpool-school.sumupstore.com/product/donation-for-sports-day-transportcost-choose-amount>

We have a very exciting and brand-new fundraising event coming up in May, further details next week!

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Save the Date!
Our Summer Fair will be held on Saturday 5th July.

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Y1 Trip to Chester Zoo

Year 1 went on a very exciting trip to Chester Zoo where we explored the new heart of Africa, came up close to butterflies, lemurs and bats and enjoyed an ice-cream in the sunshine. What a fabulous day with some very fabulous children.



INSET Days

A reminder that the remaining INSET dates for this academic year are:

Friday 2nd May

Monday 21st July

Tuesday 22nd July

School closes to pupils on **Friday 18th July**

INSET Dates for 2025 -26 are as follows:

Monday 1st September

Tuesday 2nd September

Monday 5th January 2026

Friday 1st May 2026

Monday 20th July 2026

Term Dates

Please note that the term dates to Summer 2026 can be found on the website. Please make sure that family holidays are not booked in term time

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as they will not be approved and will be recorded as unauthorised absence and may incur a fixed penalty notice.

A letter regarding attendance and punctuality will be sent home by email tonight with a hard copy sent home next week. Please read it carefully and ensure that it is brought to the attention of any family members that this may be relevant to. Thank you for your support with this very important matter

School Lane Parking

Please be aware that a parking enforcement officer has been on School Lane this week issuing tickets for parking on the yellow lines at the top of the Lane.

Schoolmoney Payments

Please can we ask parents that when a reminder for payment is sent it is attended to promptly. If there is a problem with paying by a due date, please get in touch and let us know.

We are increasingly having to send more and more reminders.

Thank you for your support with this.

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 Check

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 Key Stage 1 (KS1) assessments became non-statutory from the 2023/24 academic year onwards. Schools are able to access optional KS1 tests to help identify where pupils need additional support as they transition into Key Stage 2. KS1 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

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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

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.

Wedding News

During the Easter holidays, one of our Midday assistants was married at St Bartholomew's church.



Pupils presented Mrs Fewtrell with a special handmade wedding card prior to the Spring break. The whole school community pass on their congratulations to Mr and Mrs Fewtrell!

Dynamos Cricket

Please see the attached flyer regarding a cricket programme that is being delivered at Caldý Cricket Club.

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Wishing you all a wonderful weekend.

Mrs McCann
Acting Headteacher

CHURCH NEWS

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

Sunday 27th April	9.00am BCP Communion at St Bartholomew's 10.30am Holy Communion at St Chads with Junior church
Sunday 4th May	9.00am BCP Communion at St Bart's 10.30am Holy Communion at St Bart's
Sunday 11th May	9.00am BCP Communion at St Bartholomew's 10.30am All-Age at St Chad's

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/>

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