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... Living the Fruit of the Spirit

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NEXT WEEK

Monday 29th April

Tuesday 30th April

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

Wednesday 1st May

3:30pm-4:30pm Chess Club
3:30pm-4:30pm Y3/4 Netball Club
3:30pm-4:30pm Bats and Balls Club

Thursday 2nd May

School closed-INSET Day

Friday 3rd May

3:30pm-4:30pm Y5/6 Netball Club

Monday 6th May

Bank Holiday Monday-School closed



FoDS News



Dawpool's Got Talent is back!

FoDS are currently planning the next big event: the **Family Fun Night** on **Friday 17th May 6-8pm**. Included in this is our popular 'Dawpool's Got Talent' competition. A letter with further details and an application form will be sent home shortly.

Donations requested

In order to cut our costs at events and therefore raise more valuable funds for the school FoDS are hoping that parents may wish to donate a bottle, any time from now, for our Pimms stall at the Summer Fair. We are hoping for either a

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bottle of Pimms or Prosecco as these are a significant cost at this particular event. Please hand any donations into the School Office. Many thanks.



A huge well done to Year 4, who were so compassionate and caring during their assembly all about Claire House on Wednesday.

They organised a fundraiser in the hall for later that day with lots of stalls and managed to raise a massive **£645.90** for Claire House. Thank you to all parents and children for supporting this worthy cause. Miss Marsden will be running the London Marathon on Sunday in aid of Claire House and we wish her every success.

Toast

Toast payment is again due. The amount due to the end of the summer term is £12.40.

School Dinners

The amount of dinner money due for this term for those who like to pay the full term in advance is £57.20 or if you wish to pay until the end of the Summer term £136.40.

London Marathon

Ceri James (mum of Bethan year 4 and chair of FoDS) is running the London Marathon in aid of the homeless charity Shelter this weekend. If you would like to sponsor Ceri please log onto <https://uk.virginmoneygiving.com/CeriJames3>. We wish her the best of luck and thank you for any support you can offer.

European Elections

The European Elections are scheduled to take place on **Thursday 23rd May** and the school building will be open to the general public for voting from 7am up to 10pm. When an election is taking place, we are asked by the Local Authority to accommodate the requirements of the *Representation of the People Act, 1983*, Chapter 2, Schedule 1, Part III, paragraph 22. This Act empowers the Returning Officer to

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make use of any school as a polling station. We are required to comply with this request. In order to safeguard our pupils, we have no choice but to close school on this day. We apologise for any inconvenience this may cause, but we are sure you will understand that the reason for this closure is beyond our control.

Please note that the KS1 Sports Day, scheduled to take place during the afternoon of 23rd May will now take place on **Friday 24th May at 2:00pm.**

Tell us what you **think**

Mr Burrows and the Governing Body would like to meet with parents to discuss the things that matter to you and your child.

If you would like to contribute, please do attend the forthcoming meetings:

Friday 3rd May at 2:45pm
Parents of pupils in F1, F2, Y1 & Y2

Friday 10th May at 2:45pm
Parents of pupils in Y3, Y4, Y5 & Y6

The meetings will finish at 3:30pm and refreshments will be provided. We hope you can join us.

SATs Week

Pupils in Year 2 and 6 will be taking the national curriculum tests (commonly known as SATs) during the week commencing **Monday 13th May.**

The Department for Education (DfE) have published some useful information for parents regarding the tests which can be downloaded [here](#) or from the '[Parent Information](#)' tab on the school website.

11+ Assessment – September 2019

Parents of Year 5 pupils who wish their child to sit the 11+ examination in September 2019 will shortly receive information regarding the assessment arrangements. Parents can register their child for the test from 1st May 2019 [here](#). A letter explaining important changes to the administration of the 11+

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assessment from September 2019 can be downloaded from the school from the ['parent information'](#) tab on the school website.



Inset Days

INSET Days

Please note that the remaining INSET days for this academic year are confirmed as:

Thursday 2nd May 2019
Thursday 23rd May 2019

We have finalised 4 of the 5 INSET days for the next academic year and are as confirmed as follows:

Monday 2nd September 2019
Tuesday 3rd September 2019
Thursday 7th May 2020
Monday 20th July 2020

We will inform you of the fifth and final INSET date by the end of term.

Please note that the term dates to **Summer 2021** can be found on the [website calendar](#). 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.



Thursday 2nd May

INSET Day: School Closed to Pupils

Friday 3rd May

2:45pm: Parents' Forum Meeting for F1, F2, Y1 and Y2 parents.

Monday 6th May

Bank Holiday (School Closed)

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Friday 10th May

2:45pm: Parents' Forum Meeting for Y3, Y4, Y5 and Y6 parents.

w/c Monday 13th May

SATs Tests for Y2 and Y6 pupils

Friday 17th May

18:00-20:00: Family Fun Night

Tuesday 21st May

13:30: Sports Day for Y3, Y4, Y5 & Y6

Wednesday 22nd May

14:00: Sports Day for F1 and F2

Thursday 23rd May

European Elections: School Closed to Pupils

Friday 24th May

14:00: Sports Day for Y1 and Y2

Friday 24th May

Finish for Half Term Holiday



Monday 3rd June

INSET Day: School Closed to pupils

Tuesday 4th June

INSET Day: School Closed to pupils

Wednesday 5th June – Friday 7th June

Year 6 at Colomendy

w/c Monday 10th June

Year 1 Phonics Screening Check

Monday 17th June

18:00: Welcome meeting for new F1 parents

Tuesday 18th June

18:00: Welcome meeting for new F2 parents

Wednesday 19th June

09:10: Year 2 Class Assembly

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Saturday 6th July

13:00-14:00: Summer Fair

Wednesday 10th July

Year 6 visit secondary schools

Monday 15th July

15:30: Open afternoon for parents to view children's work.

Wednesday 17th July

18:00: Year 6 Performance

Thursday 18th July

09:10: Year 6 Performance

Monday 22nd July

09:10: Presentation of Class Prizes

Wednesday 24th July

09:10: Year 6 Leavers' Service



Recognising and responding to bullying

The school's anti-bullying policies can be downloaded from the '[policies](#)' tab on the school website. Kayte Walsh who has worked with school to develop the anti-bullying policy and guidance will be delivering workshops in school for Key Stage 1 pupils during this half term. Last year, Kayte led a meeting for parents about bullying and a copy of the presentation can be downloaded from the '[parents information](#)' tab on the school website.



'Thumbs Up' Life Skills Programme

'Thumbs Up' are an experienced team of Cognitive Behavioural Therapists

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working in schools throughout Wirral, teaching essential life skills to children.

They are currently working with our Year 5 pupils, supporting their academic progress by looking at such aspects of their wellbeing as:

- Raising self-esteem
- Lifting self-confidence
- Positive thinking
- Resilience
- Introducing mindfulness
- Self-awareness
- Self-worth
- Compassion for oneself
- Communication
- Seeking help and support

The sessions are very interactive and inclusive and Year 5 pupils are enjoying them immensely.

If you wish to read more about The Thumbs Up Education Programme, please take a look at their website: www.thumbsupprogramme.co.uk.



This week we have focused on the following:

Focus Question: Should we always give people a second chance?

News Story: In certain regions of South Africa, when someone does something wrong, he is taken to the centre of the village and surrounded by his tribe for two days while they speak of all the good he has done. They believe that each person is good, yet sometimes we make mistakes. They unite in this ritual to encourage the person to reconnect with his true nature. The belief is that unity and affirmation have more power to change behaviour than shame and punishment. This is known as *ubuntu* – humanity towards others.

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British Value: Mutual Respect - A second chance can mean a fresh start for people who may otherwise find it difficult to be forgiven. Everyone should be treated with dignity and respect, despite their mistakes.

Parish Church News
For Church information visit

www.thurstaston.org.uk



Sunday 28th April 9.30am Junior Church

Godparents Sunday Family Service 9.30am May 5th at St Chad's. This service is for EVERYONE. At every baptism service, the whole congregation is reminded "The Lord is adding to our number those whom he is calling" and are then asked the question "People of God, will you welcome these children and uphold them in their new life in

Christ?" This service is an opportunity for us to THANK GOD for special people in our lives, young and old; to PRAY for one another; to REMEMBER the amazing journey of faith we share. Please do invite your godchildren (even if they are now grown up!) or godparents to join us for this service.

Have a wonderful weekend.

My very best wishes

David Burrows
Head Teacher



VISION STATEMENT

The Dawpool community are united in their ambition to create a school which embodies the person, love and work of Jesus Christ: a school which enables Christian values to flourish and where all children may experience the abundant life that Jesus offers.

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