

WEEKLY NEWSLETTER

29th November 2023

'The Lord is my strength and my shield; my heart trusts in Him, and I am helped. My heart leaps for joy and I will give thanks to Him in song.'

Psalm 28:7

The format of the Newsletter is as follows:

Section 1	Individual Class Dates for the following week. Any actions you need to
	take will be in red font.
	Whole school events for the following week.
	FODS and Parent Council dates for this half term.
Section 2	News Items (general school information)
Section 3	Other News – parents are welcome to contribute to this section. Please
	send any items to Mrs Hyslop
Section 4	Standing Items (always in blue font)
	Useful reference information.

SECTION 1 DATES TABLE 1 CLASS EVENTS 4th – 8th Dec

CHRISTMAS CALENDAR

Sat 2nd Dec	Village Tree Lights Switch On	All welcome	4.30pm at the Bull's Head	N/A	Meet at the Bull's Head to sing around the tree. Parents MUST wait for children.
Mon 4 th Dec	Feliz Navidad! Spanish songs in class	3 and 4	Within afternoon session – see Google Classroom for exact times	N/A	
Weds 6 th Dec	KS1 Nativity	1 and 2	9.15am Y1 Grandparents 10.30am Y1 Parents	2 places per child	
Thurs 7 th Dec	KS1 Nativity	1 and 2	9.15am Y2 Grandparents 10.30am Y2 Parents	2 places per child	
Thurs 7 th	Feliz Navidad! Spanish songs in class	5 and 6	Within afternoon session - see Google Classroom for exact times	N/A	
Fri 8 th	Year 3 to Sing the Christmas Story at Chester	3	See letter sent out with details	N/A	Please note children need to bring swimming kit and packed lunch. Please wear school uniform.

Class	Activity	Date
Oaks and Jack		
Eaton Y1		
Firthfields Y1		
and 2		
Fountain Y2		
Pavilions Y3	Swimming Y3	Fri 8th
Mere Y3 and 4		Fri 8th
	Swimming Y3	
Mount		
Pleasant Y4		
Green Y5		
Charles Y5		
Hartford Y6		
London Y6		

COME JOIN US AND FAMILY SERVICE

Please note new times and format for Come Join Us and Family Service. Please use the main door to enter school.

OUTDOOR LEARNING

Please note that Outdoor Learning sessions will now be delivered by a specialist company and will focus on skills such as den building, making tools etc. As such children DO need to wear old clothes and bring a change of shoes / wellingtons. Thank you

TABLE 2WHOLE SCHOOL EVENTS NEXT WEEK 4 – 8th December

Monday	Mixed basketball 5 and 6	
	3 and 4 Spanish Songs	
Tuesday		
Wednesday	KS1 Nativity Yr 1 9.15 and 10.30	
Thursday	KS1 Nativity Yr2 9.15 and 10.30	
	Mixed basketball 5 and 6	
	5 and 6 Spanish Songs	
Friday	Y3 to Sing the Christmas Story at Chester	
	Cathedral – see note in Christmas	
	Calendar	

TABLE 3

FODS AND PARENTS COUNCIL MEETINGS

FODS	8 January
PARENT COUNCIL	9 January

SECTION 2 NEWS

CHARITY DRAW

Please follow the link and vote for Friends of Davenham School, to help FODS be in with a chance of winning a charity draw. <u>https://movementforgood.com/index.php?cn=1</u>

VALE ROYAL SCHOOL PARTNERSHIPS AFTER SCHOOL SPORTS EVENTS AND COMPETITIONS

CELEBRATE	These events are for children who don't attend sporting activities or have additional needs and would benefit from taking part in an event.
ASPIRE	These events are for children developing sporting skills in a semi-competitive environment. These events are for children who may not necessarily be involved in a community club.
INSPIRE	These are competitive events and lead to finals. They are aimed at children who are highly competitive and comfortable with challenge.

Details are on Google Classroom. Please register interest via the survey on the Website. Please send any queries about the event to Mr Roberts <u>troberts@davenhamce.cheshire.sch.uk</u>.

CHARITY FUNDRAISING

Detail	Charity	Amount Raised
Hello Yellow	Young Minds	£202.60
Harvest	Mid Cheshire Food Bank	£270.30
Children in Need	Children in Need	£236.53
Remembrance Day	Royal British Legion	£402.82
		£1112.25

FORTHCOMING RESIDENTIAL VISITS AND COSTINGS

Visit, Year Group and Date of Visit	Instalment Date and Amount
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Robinwood 2024	Deposit £10 30 March
	Balance £255 10 Jan 2024
Year 6 London 2024	Total Cost £295
23 – 24 May 2024	£55 by 5 June
	£70 by 24 th July
	Balance £170 by 8 th March 2024
Year 2 Tattenhall	

SECTION 3 OTHER NEWS

PLEASE NOTE THAT WE ARE NOT AFFILIATED WITH ANY COMPANIES WHO ASK TO PLACE AN ADVERT IN OUR NEWSLETTER

SOUND TECHNIQUE

There is availability for Guitar and Keyboard lessons. Please call Mel at Sound Technique on 07496042559 for more information.

From Revd Rob:

At St Wilfrid's, Davenham, we have two Sunday morning services:

We have a classic **9:30am service**, and we also have an **11:00am all age service with a difference** – it's modern, with interaction and crafts for younger people and is particularly suitable for families and younger people. All are very welcome. Please see our Church Website for any updates - davenhamparish.net

PARENT SUPPORT HUB

https://www.facebook.com/115801448114488/posts/pfbid02GgkvaSqwpQQZupuoDB ibFgiyoZTZU3L9e691rjg5uQc1hH167EeJQSn4BFaddFWHl/?sfnsn=scwspmo

PUPIL PREMIUM INFORMATION FOR SEPTEMBER 2023

Dear Parents and Carers,

We are asking parents and guardians whose children go to school in the Cheshire West and Chester area, have a child in reception, year 1 or year 2 in September 2023 and have an entitlement to free school meals to complete an on-line application for free school meals. Please go to <u>www.cheshirewestandchester.gov.uk</u>, Schools & Education, then Free School Meals where you can apply on-line. The on-line eligibility checker will notify you straight away if you do or do not qualify. We will start to accept applications for Free School Meals

from July 2023, please do not apply before July 2023 as your application may not be accepted.

All pupils in the above year groups will be able to receive a school meal at no cost to the parent/guardian. We need to ensure that all parents/guardians that have a statutory entitlement to a free school meal complete the on-line form. We will then be able to confirm whether the school is entitled to claim the pupil premium for your child. The Pupil Premium is extra money given to your child's school to spend on resources such as one to one tutoring, music lessons, extra-curricular clubs and school trips. For 2023/2024 this is **£1320 per pupil**. Funding is based on children registered for a free school meal, further reinforcing the importance of making sure all those who qualify are registered. Your child may be entitled to receive free school meals if you are entitled to receive one of the following:

- Income Support
- Income-based Jobseeker's Allowance
- Income-related Employment and Support Allowance
- Support under Part VI of the Immigration and Asylum Act 1999
- The Guarantee element of State Pension Credit
- Child Tax Credit, provided you are not entitled to Working Tax Credit and have an annual income that does not exceed £16,190.
- Universal Credit (Provided you have an annual net earned income of no more than £7,400)

It is really important that you complete the on-line form to help make sure your child's school is funded as well as possible. If you cannot apply on-line you can telephone Free School Meals on 0300 123 7039.

Yours sincerely Free School Meals



CELEBRATING CHRISTMAS JOY

at St Wilfrid's Church, Davenham

Free admission

A warm invitation to come and enjoy our **`Christmas Tree Festival'**

Creative tree displays made by local schools and other groups

Children's activities on selected days

Refreshments available

WEDNESDAY 6th December (10.00am-12.00pm - part of Coffee Drop In) WEDNESDAY 20th December (6.00pm - 8.00pm)

FRIDAY 8th & 15th December (6.00pm - 8.00pm - with Children's activities) FRIDAY 22nd December (10.00am - 12.00pm)

SATURDAY 2nd, 9th, 16th December (10.00am-12.00pm with Children's activities)



to support the work of UNICEF in war torn countries

Christmas Specials at St Wilfrid's, Davenham

Sunday 3rd December Special Tree Festival Celebration at both 9.30am and 11.00am Services

Sunday 10th December 9.30am Holy Communion Service with a Nativity focus

11.00am Special All Age Nativity Service

Sunday 17th December

9.30am Morning Service 11.00am All Age Service - Crib Service 6.00pm Carol Service - classic carols and readings in the lead up to Christmas (with refreshments afterwards)

Christmas Eve

10.30am Holy Communion All Age 4.00pm All Age Christingle Service (supporting the work of the Children's Society) Bright, short & relaxed, especially good for families, but all warmly welcomed

Christmas Day 10.30am All Age Celebration A relaxed and joyful service, but also taking seriously what it's all about

New Year's Eve 10.30am All Age Communion Celebration A hope giving New Year focus - celebrating together

St Wilfrid's Church is an Church Street in Davenham and serves Davenham, Leftwich, King smead and Gadbrook We usually have a classic service at 9 goars and then at 13, opam there is a much more flexible contemporary service which is particularly suitable for families and younger people. There will be refrestments after both services. For some services there will be just a mixed style 10, goarn service.

> If you want to know about Services or other things we have going on please give the Rector Revd Rob (weson a call on o1506 42450 or contact the Church Office on o1506 42953











"We absolutely love Rhythm Time! The class is welcoming and my little girl's confidence has grown so much!" **Steph W**

Your children are our future and we take their development seriously. We care passionately about children's early development and the role music plays in it.

Our FUN, FRIENDLY, MULTI-SENSORY classes for **babies**, **toddlers & preschoolers** are 30-minutes and will be the highlight of your week!

Happy children, happy grown-ups!

Book your nearest class or get in touch:

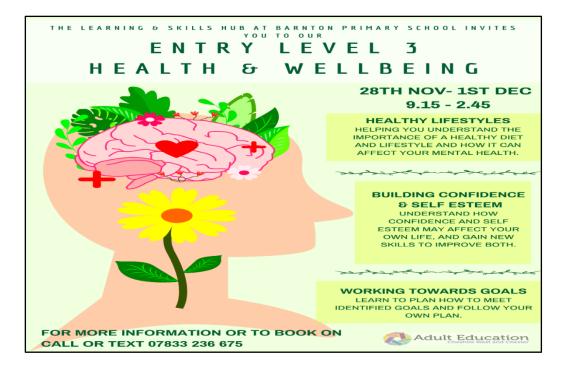
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Please remember to ask for the Gardens for Schools Vouchers if you shop at Winnington Garden Centre.

SECTION 4 STANDING ITEMS (appear in blue)

FIXED PENALTY NOTICES

A Fixed Penalty Notice can be issued in cases of unauthorised absences of at least 10 consecutive school sessions (five school days). At Davenham, all requests for holidays in term time will be unauthorised unless in exceptional circumstances. Such circumstances include the wedding of a close family member or the funeral of a close family member.

REPLY SLIPS

All communication is now via email. If parents find it difficult to print out, a reply slip, then please write a return on a slip of paper or come into the school office.

APPLICATIONS FOR CHILDREN STARTING PRIMARY SCHOOL SEPTEMBER 2024

Please take careful note of the following dates. Failure to apply by the closing dates may result in your child not being offered the place you want.

1 Sep 2023	Application process starts - online application facility open,
15 January 2024	Closing date for applications forms to be returned to the Council
16 April 2024	Online applicants can view the school place offered by logging into their online account
16 May 2024	Closing date for appeal applications

APPLICATIONS FOR CHILDREN STARTING SECONDARY SCHOOL SEPTEMBER 2024

1 Sep 2023	Application process starts - online application facility open,
31 Oct 2023	Closing date for applications forms to be returned to the Council
1 March 2024	Online applicants can view the school place offered by logging into their online account
15 April 2024	Closing date for appeal applications

FREE SCHOOL MEALS AND PUPIL PREMIUM

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- Income-related Employment and Support Allowance
- Support under Part VI of the Immigration and Asylum Act 1999
- The guaranteed element of Pension Credit
- Child Tax Credit (provided you're not also entitled to Working Tax Credit and have an annual gross income of no more than £16,190)
- Working Tax Credit run-on paid for 4 weeks after you stop qualifying for Working Tax Credit
- Universal Credit if you apply on or after 1 April 2018 your household income must be less than £7,400 a year (after tax and not including any benefits you get)

The criteria also apply if your child is adopted or under a special guardianship order. Please speak to Mrs Colloby in the school office. It is important that you register, even if your child currently receives Universal Free Infant School Meals as there is additional funding (Pupil Premium) that school can apply for. <u>https://www.gov.uk/apply-free-school-meals</u>

Our School Prayer



Dear Father God Bless Davenham School That working together and playing together. We may learn to serve you and to serve others. Amen

Remember to ...

"...encourage one another and build each other up..." 1 Thessalonians 5:11.

Items for the Newsletter

If you have any items you would like to put in the Newsletter such as information about local events or clubs, please email me at <u>head@davenhamce.cheshire.sch.uk</u> *As always, should you have any concerns or questions, please come into school. Problems can often be dealt with very quickly- when we know about them!*

Mrs J M Hyslop Headteacher