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WEEKLY NEWSLETTER

4 September 2024

'A friend loves at all times.'
Proverbs 17:17

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.

WELCOME BACK!

A VERY warm welcome back to everyone and especially to our new families who are joining the reception classes or other classes in school. We are sure that the children will settle quickly and soon begin to feel part of our Davenham family.

This Newsletter is sent out every Wednesday. There is a diary sheet which lists events that are taking place the **following** week. This week's Newsletter is longer than normal as it contains lots of back-to-school information.

GOOGLE CLASSROOM AND COMMUNICATION FEEDBACK

Please ensure that you log onto Google Classroom using the code provided in your Welcome Back letter. This is where teachers post class information and homework.

The parent questionnaires this year raised communication once again and the fact that there are too many different channels. We do appreciate that there are different channels, but each one is for a different purpose. In a bid to reduce the channels we will now post ALL LETTERS ETC via Google Classroom. To see the letters posted to Google Classroom please select 'Classwork' at the top of the page and then you will see different tabs such as 'newsletters' and 'Letters'. We will only send emails when it is confidential or specific to individual children / groups – for example attendance letters. It is therefore imperative that you check Goggle Classroom on a regular basis. We will send texts for URGENT messages.

If any parents / carers are willing to meet with Mrs Hyslop to suggest other ways of streamlining communication, please let her know.

TIMINGS AND PICK UP ARRANGEMENTS

Please ensure that your child's **current** teacher knows the arrangements for pick up. Please do not expect your child's former teacher to pass this information on. For safeguarding reasons, we **WILL NOT** allow children to walk home or be collected by anyone else unless we have permission from parents / carers. If your child is allowed to walk home, please let you child's current class teacher know – an email will suffice. If someone else is collecting your child, please call the office and let us know. Thank you!

Please note the school day begins at 8.50am and ends at 3.20pm. The gate opens at 8.30am.

CHRISTIAN VALUE

Our Christian Value for this half term is Friendship - what a perfect one to start this year with! The theology behind the value of Friendship can be found on our school website.

God is a wonderfully friendly caring and eternal family of three –the Father, the Son and the Holy Spirit. The Father sent His son so that we could belong to Him. Jesus wants us to be our friend and God wants us to be friends with others.

Our chosen Bible stories for friendship are Luke 19:1-10 (Zacchaeus) and Mark 10:13-16.

SECTION 1 DATES

TABLE 1 CLASS EVENTS

9 - 13 September

Class	Activity	Date
Oaks and Jack R	Reception in fulltime	Mon 9th
Firthfields Y1		
Eaton Y1/2		
Fountain Y2		
Pavilions Y3		
Mere Y3 and 4		
Mount Pleasant Y4		
Green Y5		

London Y5/6		
Hartford Y6	Come Join Us and Family Service	Fri 13 th

**TABLE 2
WHOLE SCHOOL EVENTS NEXT WEEK 9- 12 September**

Monday	
Tuesday	
Wednesday	
Thursday	
Friday	

**TABLE 3
FODS AND PARENTS COUNCIL MEETINGS**

FODS	AGM 16 September
PARENT COUNCIL	AGM 24 September

FODS

We would like to express a huge thank you to FODS for all their efforts last year. The money they raise makes a huge difference to the children and staff in school.

FODS AGM Monday 16th September @7.00pm AT SCHOOL – PLEASE USE STAFF ROOM DOOR

A recap of the last 12 months fundraising and expenditure will be given, and election of the committee officers will also take place. Minutes will be available to everyone via the school website after the event. We would welcome any new members of FODS – you can be involved in so many ways to support school so please do pop along to the AGM.

SECTION 2 NEWS

THANK YOU

The staff would like to thank parents / carers for the lovely messages, cards and gifts sent at the end of the academic year.

STAFF EMAIL ADRESSES

Emails are a very quick and effective means of communication between teacher and parent / carers. All staff have a school email address which is made up of the initial of their Christian name and surname followed by @davenhamce.cheshire.sch.uk. Please do not expect that staff will reply to emails out of working hours, during holidays or at the weekend. In the event of an out of hours emergency, please contact head@davenhamce.cheshire.sch.uk.

Here is a list of all useful staff email addresses.

SENIOR LEADERSHIP TEAM	
Mrs Hyslop (Headteacher)	head@davenhamce.cheshire.sch.uk

Miss Phillips (Acting Deputy Headteacher)	kphillips@...
Mrs Ollier (T- F) SENDCO	senco@...
School Business Manager (Mrs Colloby)	bursar@...
EYFS STAFF	
Mrs Stockton (M- Th in class)	vstockton@...
Miss Rigby (M,T, W, F)	hrigby@
Miss Pucill (Wpm, Th and F)	jpucill@...
KS1 STAFF	
Mrs Campbell-Hayes (M, T, W)	jcampbellhayes@...
Mrs Torrie (alternate Wpm, Th, F)	ltorrie@...
Miss Beard	cbeard@
Mr Roberts (each am and all day Thurs) Miss Phillips (M, T, W, F pm)	troberts@...
LKS2 STAFF	
Mrs Broadbere	abroadbere@...
Mrs Ozturk	sozturk@...
Mr Ashworth	cashworth@...
UKS2 STAFF	
Mrs Manfredi (M, T ,W)	tmanfredi@...
Mrs Quayle (alternate Wpm, Th, F)	vquayle@...
Mrs Nixon	jnixon@...
Mrs Boyde	eboyde@...
OTHER	
Mrs Clewes (Music Enquiries W, Th, F)	mclewes@...
General Office Enquiries Mrs Harris	admin@...
School Cook (Tina Lowe)	tlowe@...

MEDICAL INFORMATION

Please ensure that we have any necessary medical information about your child and if they use an inhaler, please check that they have one in school and that it is in date. Please also ensure that we are aware of any allergies.

SCHOOL LUNCHES

Lunches are payable for all junior pupils (Y3 – Y6) except those eligible for benefits related Free School Meals. Please note that the Universal Infant Free School Meals (UIFSM) system ceases after Year 2. If you believe your child may be eligible for Free School Meals, please apply online through the Cheshire West and Chester Council website. Please contact Mrs Colloby for any information around school meals. The current price for school meal is £2.95.

PE KITS

These are the days that each class will need to wear PE Kits in September. EYFS and Key Stage One children do not need to wear a different PE kit as their uniform is suitable for PE.

	INDOOR SESSION	OUTDOOR SESSION
Mon	Green, Hartford, London	

Tues	Mere, Mount Pleasant, Pavilions	
Weds	Eaton, Firthfields	Hartford, London, Fountain
Thurs		Pavilions, Mount Pleasant, Mere
Fri	Fountain, EYFS	Eaton, Firthfields, Green

DROPPING ITEMS OFF

Please try to avoid dropping items off at the office unless it is a genuine emergency. If children forget water bottles, we will provide them with a drink.

UNIFORM

Please ensure that your child wears the correct uniform, school PE kit and suitable school shoes. We were noticing that children were not adhering to this towards the end of the year.

Some reminders...

- Only stud earrings are allowed.
- Jewellery, other than stud earring is not permitted in school. This includes friendship bracelets etc.
- Children may wear a watch if they wish but not a smartwatch of any description. Watches must be removed for PE.
- Large hair adornments are not allowed - a simple bobble or hairband in school colours is preferred.
- Long hair should be tied up.
- Nail varnish / make up is **not** permitted in school.

RUCK SACKS KS2 ONLY

We ask that these are not fashion items but plain black or navy. Thank you to those parents / carers who have followed this rule!

COATS

Please ensure that children have a coat. Children will go out to play in fine drizzle and so always need a coat.

MOBILE PHONES

For safeguarding reasons, we have strict rules about children having mobile phones / devices in school. Children should **ONLY** have a mobile phone if they are walking home alone. In this event, we need written permission from parents and children must hand phones in to their class teacher and collect them at the end of the day. Phones must not be used on the school premises by children.

BIRTHDAY DRESS UP DAY

We have an optional wear your own clothes on your birthday day.

- For those children who have a birthday over the weekend they can wear their own clothes on the Friday before or the Monday after.

- If a birthday falls during half term, they can wear their own clothes on the last day of the half term OR any day of the week following half term.
- If their birthday is in the summer holidays, they can wear their own clothes any day of the first week back in September.

PUPIL INITIATED FUNDRAISER

Iris in Y6 has been growing her hair so that she can have a "big chop" and donate her hair to the Little Princess Trust who make wigs for children who have lost their hair through cancer treatment or other reasons.

Please follow the below link to sponsor and find out more about the challenge.

<https://www.justgiving.com/page/iris-bigchop>

Anything donated will help the Trust cover relevant costs to produce a wig from the donated hair Iris will send. She would like to see if she can raise enough to cover the cost to provide a free wig to a child, which is £700!

She's also been making friendship bracelets and plaited bookmarks that she would like to bring in to class to see if anyone would like to buy any for a suggested donation of £1.

Well done, Iris!

THE FOUR STEPS

As the children start a new school year, they will be agreeing a set of class rules. Teachers will have talked to children about why rules are helpful and necessary.

Playtimes and lunchtimes can be difficult for some children and there will be inevitable disagreements from time to time.

To encourage the children to deal with low level conflict or disagreements we teach them the 4 steps. These are:

1. Ignore the problem. Lots of small problems go away if you ignore them.
2. Walk Away. Walk away or go and play with someone else, or somewhere else. Leave the problem behind.
3. Ask the person to stop. It's fine to do this. They might not realise they are annoying you.
4. Tell a grown up. If you have tried steps 1,2,3 and 4 then you are not telling tales!

When possible, we want children to be able to deal with minor disagreements themselves but to also know that sometimes Step 4 will be necessary and that is when adults are there to help. Please talk to your child about these steps.

PARENT COUNCIL

If you are interested in becoming a Parent Council Rep for your child's class, please email Mrs Hyslop at head@davenhamce.cheshire.sch.uk. The group meets several times throughout the year to discuss and represent parent / carer's views. There can be a minimum of 7 members and a maximum of 12 reps – ideally 1 rep per class. This is not an onerous job but one which can really help to support school. Any candidates wanting to re-stand are welcome to do so but should email Mrs Hyslop

PARENT COUNCIL Tuesday 24th September @7.30pm IN SCHOOL. PLEASE USE STAFF ROOM DOOR

If you are interested in joining Parent Council, please ensure that you attend the AGM, which will take place in school on Tuesday 12th September at 7.30pm. New Parent Reps and Committee members will be appointed at the AGM.

SPORTS NEWS

CELEBRATE	These events are for children who do not 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 do not play for a club / an A team.
INSPIRE	These are competitive events leading to finals.

CHARITY FUNDRAISING 2023 - 2024

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
Christingle	The Children's Society	£153.30
Sock Biscuits	Down Syndrome Cheshire	£254.62
		£1520.17

FODS FUNDRAISING UPDATE 2023- 2024

Event	Amount raised
Circus	£3,153.78
Christmas Funfest	£3,289.34
Match Funding Christmas Funfest	£1,543.80
Christmas Wreath Making	£302.15
Christmas Cards	£589.99
Teatowels	£120.58
Uniformed	£36.23
Easy Fundraising	£39.39
Stikins	£127.37
School Discos	£1,067.22
TOTAL	£10,269.85

FORTHCOMING VISITS AND COSTINGS

Visit, Year Group and Date of Visit	Instalment Date and Amount
Year 6 London 2025	First deposit £55 5th July 2024 Second deposit £70 1st September 2024 Balance £190 7th March 2025 Total £315
Year 4 Robinwood	First deposit £100 1st September 2024 Second deposit £75 15th October 2024 Balance £100 13th November 2024 Total £275

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

We are pleased to announce that more places are being offered for one-to-one guitar lessons in school, for years 3 and above.

For more information, please contact Mel Walker at Sound Technique Music School on 07496042559 or visit www.soundtechnique.com and complete the contact form.

From Revd Rob:

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


We have a **9.00am – 9.45am all age service with a difference** – it is modern, with interaction and crafts for younger people and is particularly suitable for families and younger people. All are very welcome. We also have a classic service at 10.00am.

Please see our Church Website for any updates - davenhamparish.net

PARENT SUPPORT HUB

<https://www.facebook.com/115801448114488/posts/pfbid02GgkvaSqwpQQZupuoDBibFgiyoZTZU3L9e691rjg5uQc1hH167EeIQSn4BFaddFWHL/?sfnsn=scwspmo>

Join Our Independent Community of Support for Children with Special Educational Needs and Disabilities (SEND)



Parent Carer Forum
Cheshire West & Chester

Dear Parents and Carers,
Are you navigating SEND with your child in Cheshire West & Chester?
We're here to help!


Who We Are:
We're parents and carers supporting children with SEND, united in our mission to ensure every child thrives, regardless of diagnosis.

Our Mission:
Amplify Voices:
Advocating for your child's needs within Education, Health and Social Services.
Partnership:
Collaborating with services to fill support gaps.
Expert Advice:
Providing guidance and resources, no diagnosis needed.
Continuous Improvement:
Working together to enhance services for all children with SEND.

Independence:
Please note We're independent, not affiliated with the council. Which helps us truly represent your lived experiences.

www.pcfcheshirewest.org

Get in Touch:
Tel: 07900840867 Email: contact.pfcwac@gmail.com
Let's create a supportive environment for all children with SEND!
To book our events or for more info, scan the QR code.....





PYJAMA APPEAL!

CHARITY NUMBER: 1188739

Please donate a brand new pair of pyjamas for a poorly child in your **LOCAL HOSPITAL OR CHILDREN'S HOSPICE**

Each year, we collect donations of brand new pyjamas from new-born to age 18, which are then gifted to children in hospital on Christmas morning. In reality, they are also used in other situations where children may have had their clothes cut off in A&E or in an emergency situation where there hasn't been time to pack essentials.

HOW CAN YOU HELP?

Please donate a brand new pair of non-fleece pyjamas (as hospitals are cosy enough). Have a collection at work, through family & friends or even your local school could have a PJ Day or simply donate a pair yourself.

LOOK ONLINE AT
www.childrenshospitalpyjamas.co.uk

FOR YOUR NEAREST PYJAMA DROP OFF POINT

Or order via Amazon with free delivery to Co-ordinator
<https://amzn.eu/acJ0v8t>

WHY? Because no child wants to be in hospital at Christmas and if they have to be they want to be wearing brand new cosy PJ's to make their stay as comfortable as possible at such a fearful time.

Follow us on our Facebook, Instagram and Twitter pages 'Children's Hospital Pyjamas' to see me delivering your PJ'S x

Lisa, Area Coordinator | 07835 660083



OUR APPEAL IS FROM 1ST SEPTEMBER TO 31ST OCTOBER 2024



WINNINGTON PARK RUGBY CLUB JUNIOR PLAYERS OPEN DAY

MINI GIRLS AND BOYS SCHOOL YEAR 1-6

**SUNDAY 08 SEPTEMBER
10AM - 11AM**

BEGINNINER FRIENDLY

- ▶ **MAKE FRIENDS**
- ▶ **KEEP FIT**
- ▶ **HAVE FUN**



JAMES: 07966 417 902
 BURROWS HILL, HARTFORD, CW8 3AA



Kids club for primary aged children

All Free



Games




Bible Stories



Science



Crafts & Baking



Action Songs

Mondays in term time, 5:30-6:30 at Emmanuel Church Leftwich



"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:

Claire
07563 473644
rhythmtime.net/north-cheshire







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 GOGGLE CLASSROOM. 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 2025

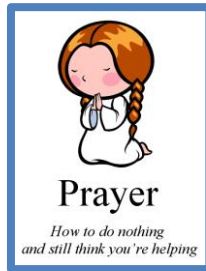
Please take careful note of the following dates. Failure to apply by the closing dates may result in your child not being offered the place you want.

1 Sep 2024	Application process starts - online application facility open,
15 January 2025	Closing date for applications forms to be returned to the Council
16 April 2025	Online applicants can view the school place offered by logging into their online account
21 May 2025	Closing date for appeal applications

APPLICATIONS FOR CHILDREN STARTING SECONDARY SCHOOL SEPTEMBER 2025

1 Sep 2024	Application process starts - online application facility open,
31 Oct 2024	Closing date for applications forms to be returned to the Council
3 March 2025	Online applicants can view the school place offered by logging into their online account
31 March 2024	Closing date for appeal applications

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 head@davenhamce.cheshire.sch.uk
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

