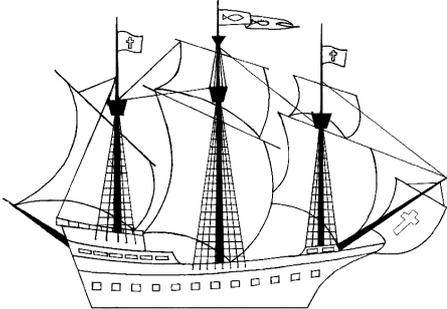

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. . . Growing the Fruit of the Spirit

*'The Fruit of the Spirit is Love, Joy, Peace, Patience, Kindness, Generosity, Faithfulness, Gentleness & Self Control'
(Galatians 5:22-23)*



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Dear Parents and Carers,

Today, we say goodbye to our wonderful Year 6 pupils as they prepare to move on to the next stage of their education. Each will take with them many happy memories and experiences that have helped to shape them as individuals and given them the knowledge, skills and wisdom to live life well. They will also take with them an understanding and experience of the Christian faith and to know the love of Jesus Christ that enhances their lives and enables them to flourish in the world. We have shared photographs, videos and memories of our Year 6 pupils on the [website](#) today under the 'Dawpool News' tab.

We hope that the new academic year feels more 'normal' and we have enclosed the arrangements for pupils returning to school from **Thursday 2nd September**.

Whilst this school year has been unprecedented in the challenges faced by us all, we want to thank all parents and carers for your vigilance and support. A huge thank you for your kind words, gestures and good wishes at the end of the year – your generosity is very much appreciated by us all.

As we conclude the year, may we reflect with a prayer:

A closing prayer for the end of term

Loving God,

We pray for all who are leaving our school this year.

We pray for our Year 6 pupils as they prepare to say goodbye and move on to their new schools.

We give thanks for all that they have contributed to Dawpool in their own unique and special ways.

We pray for the families of Year 6 pupils who have supported, encouraged and championed us along the way.

We pray for our staff who are also leaving this year, and we offer our heartfelt thanks for their dedicated service and for the wisdom, love and nurture that they have given to their roles.

May all those who are leaving take with them every blessing that they have received in our school: blessings of friendship, blessings of memories, blessings of knowledge.

And may each person who leaves here to begin a new journey, leave us your blessing, your uniqueness, the mark you leave on Dawpool that is only you.

'For I know the plans I have for you,' declares the Lord. 'Plans to prosper you and not to harm you. Plans to give you hope and a future.' (Jeremiah 29:11)

May we all be refreshed this summer: teachers, pupils, support staff, governors and parents.
So that when the new school year begins again, we may be encouraged and inspired, filled with courage to meet all the new challenges, new places, new people that await us with a bright and cheerful heart.

And as this chapter on our life closes, so a new one begins.
We present ourselves like an open book before you, Lord.
Come and scribe your words of life into our lives.
Fill our minds with your thoughts;
Fill our bodies with your strength;
Fill our hearts with your dreams.
That we might eternally love and serve you,
This day and every day.

And we pray that all of us may grow and learn to live with the love of Christ.

We ask all of this in the glorious name of Jesus,
Who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit
One God, now and forever,
Amen

“I know what I am doing. I have it all planned out – plans to take care of you not to abandon you, plans to give you the future you hope for” (Jeremiah 29:11)

Yours sincerely,



David Burrows
Head Teacher

[Return to school arrangements are on the following page.](#)

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Arrangements for the return of pupils from Thursday 2nd September

When the pupils return to school in September, the government no longer recommend that it is necessary to keep children in consistent groups or 'bubbles'. As well as enabling flexibility in curriculum delivery, this means that assemblies can resume, and we no longer need to make alternative arrangements to avoid mixing at lunch or playtimes.

A fully revised COVID risk assessment will be available on the school [website](#) from Wednesday 1st September and will be informed by the latest government, local authority and public health advice. This will include an 'outbreak management plan' to cover the possibility that it may become necessary to reintroduce 'bubbles' for a temporary period, to reduce mixing between groups.

Arrivals and Departures.

The start and finish times will be reinstated in accordance with our [Arrivals and Departures Procedure](#).

The opening times for arriving at school are **8.45am – 8.55am** each day for all pupils.

Please do not arrive before 8:45am.

Children should not be left unsupervised on the school playground before 8.45am.

At 8.45am, the school doors will open. Staff will be present at the 'wooden gate' to greet pupils and direct them into the school building.

Pupils in Y1, Y3, Y4, Y5 & Y6 should pass through the 'wooden gate' and enter the school building via the conservatory entrance on the main playground and go directly to their classroom where they will be met by a member of staff.

Pupils in Foundation 2 and Year 2 should cross the playground and enter their classrooms via the doors in the F2 outdoor area. In accordance with EYFS recommended practice, F1 and F2 parents may accompany their child to the classroom door where they will be met by a member of staff.

The doors on the main playground will **close at 8:55am**. Children arriving after 8.55am must come into school via the front reception door and register with staff at the school office. Pupils arriving in their classroom **after 8:55am** will receive a late mark.

If your child is absent from school, please inform the school office by **9:00am** using the pupil absence line: 0151 648 3412 (option 1). On your child's return to school, you must provide a written explanation for the absence.

The school gates will be locked at **9.00am** and will reopen at **3.20pm** for school departures.

Departures

F1 and F2 classes finish school at **3:25pm**. All other classes finish at **3:30pm**. All classes are escorted outside by a member of staff who will be on duty in the playground until **3.40pm**.

Pupils in F1, Y4, Y5 & Y6 will be dismissed onto the small playground by the Dawpool ship. Parents and carers of these year groups should wait in this area.

Pupils in F2, Y1, Y2 & Y3 will be dismissed onto the large main playground. Parents and carers of these year groups should wait in this area.

In the interests of safety, we ask that children do not play on the trim trail at home time.

Uniform

All pupils should return to school in full uniform which is outlined on the [website](#).

On **Friday 3rd September** we will write to all parents to explain which day your child will do PE. Children may come to school on their PE day wearing their PE kit:

- Navy shorts or skorts
- White t-shirt (with or without school logo)
- Plain navy tracksuit (in colder weather)
- Trainers

Children should not attend school on their PE day wearing 'own clothes' or football kits. It is important that all pupils adhere to the items of PE uniform listed above.

If the children are using the forest school area, they will wear school uniform. Parents will be informed when forest school activities are taking place as the children will need to bring a pair of wellies or sturdy shoes and a waterproof coat.

In the interests of safety, and to enable good standards of housekeeping, we ask all parents to minimise their child's belongings. The following items will be sufficient for every child:

- A coat (named)
- A book bag (named)
- A water bottle (no single-use plastics, please)
- A small lunchbox (if required)

There is no requirement for pupils to bring a pencil case or stationery as this is provided by the school.

In the interests of safety, only stud earrings are permitted. Please ensure hair accessories are discrete and match the school uniform colours.