



Trellech Primary School

Newsletter

Week Ending—Friday 19th May

Sharing Sessions

It has been a pleasure to welcome you into school this week during our Sharing Sessions. It is a delight to see the children proudly sharing their achievements with you once again. We hope this is the beginning of a steady return to school normality and our 'open door policy'.

Parent Curriculum Walkthru

It was a delight to see parents and Governors at our Curriculum Walkthru this week. The curriculum in Wales provides us with many exciting opportunities as part of teaching and learning for our pupils, we hope our journey of curriculum development has enabled a greater understanding of the changes that are occurring in Wales and the benefit it is having on our pupils. A special thank you to the wonderful team of staff here in Trellech who presented and shared their curriculum journey during the evening.

School Sports Days

Following last years class sports day events we plan to return to some normality this year, providing the current guidance remains in place. With this in mind each Key Stage will have their own Sports afternoon commencing at 1.30pm. The dates are as follows with reserve dates found in brackets (if postponed due to the weather).

Key Stage Two: Wednesday 22nd June (Weds 29th June)

Foundation Phase: Thursday 23rd June (Thurs 30th June)

Platinum Jubilee Celebrations

On Wednesday 25th May the whole school will take part in our Platinum Jubilee Celebrations. We are inviting children to come to school dressed for the occasion in Red, White and Blue. We will hold a competition for where children are invited to design and make a crown for the celebration. Gwent Catering are providing a 'tea party' menu which will be an integral part of our celebrations.

Class Structure Sept 2022

We are pleased to share the structure for classes for Academic Year 2022/ 2023. Following our development of collaborative planning groups for the new curriculum this has been paramount in the organisation of class structure. Mrs Maunder will teach full time and Mrs Miles will reduce her teaching commitment to three days from September 2022.

Reception: Mrs Peacock, Mrs Hassall & Miss Ward

Year One: Miss Bowman, Mrs Worrall & Mrs Voaden

Year Two: Mr Green & Mrs Lewellyn

Year Three: Miss Powell

Year Four: Mrs Miles & Mrs Phillips

Year Five: Mrs Cotton & Mrs Sparks

Year Six: Mrs Maunder & Mrs Body

KS2 Support: Miss Light

HLTA: Mrs Fawsitt

BBC Weatherman Walking

On Friday 6th May, BBC Wales Weatherman Walking featured our local area, beginning in Trellech and completing his walk in Monmouth. On his journey he visited Wet Meadow, meeting our Year Two pupils at the pew! We are very proud of our children who featured on this programme. If you missed the episode it can be viewed at: [BBC iPlayer - Weatherman Walking - Series 12: 6. Trellech to Monmouth](#)



Year Six Cluster Swimming Gala

We are very proud of our Y6 pupils who took part in the Cluster Swimming at Monmouth Leisure Centre last week. It was wonderful to see such events taking place once again. The children were a pleasure, demonstrating skill, impeccable manners and support for one another. A great achievement on this first event, narrowly missing a podium place by a single point. Congratulations to you all.



Summer Term

19th, 24th & 25th May– Parents Consultations via School Cloud

Weds 25th May: Whole School Jubilee Celebrations

Thurs 26th May: Y2/ Y3 Scoot to School Sessions with Mon Road Safety

Thurs 26th May: Y4, Y5 & Y6 Trip to Hay Festival

Fri 27th May– Cluster INSET School Closed to Pupils

Fri 27th May– Half Term Commences

Mon 6th June– School Closed in lieu of Queens Platinum Jubilee

Tues 7th June– Summer Term Two Commences

Thurs 16th June: Y2 Kerbcraft Sessions commence

w/c: 20th June- Sports Day Events (TBC)

Fri 1st July– INSET Day (School Closed to Pupils)

Tues 5th July– Move Up Day

Weds 13th– Fri 15th July—Y6 Residential Viney Hill

Fri 22nd July– End of Academic Year

Free School Meals

School and Student Access Unit, are beginning to receive claims for the Academic Year 2022/23 school year, these claims cannot be dealt with until July 2022. If you believe you are entitled to please apply from July onwards. Please be reminded that those of you already in receipt of Free School Meals do not need to re-apply each year.

If you have an enquiry, regarding entitlement please contact the School and Student Access Unit at Monmouthshire Council via the main telephone number (01633 644644) or e-mail SchoolandStudentAccessUnit@monmouthshire.gov.uk.

Class News

Reception:

We all had an amazing time at Cardiff Museum. The children were so excited and loved every minute of it. I must say, I was so proud to see them looking so intensely at the beautiful paintings in the Art Gallery. However, when we eventually discovered a William Turner painting, it was hard to contain their excitement. We also found an L.S. Lowry painting which will be the next Artist we will be studying. All the children were very well behaved and proudly represented the school. Last week we wrote a recount of the trip using time connectives. The children created animations of the Queen using sketch.medialab, which created a lot of amusement. I hope you enjoyed looking at your child's work in their books this week, as we are all very proud of their learning journey. This week we will be creating a poem based on the bluebells that are in the Wet Meadow forest. Don't forget next Tuesday (24.5.22), we will be having a disco with music from the decades, to celebrate The Queen's Jubilee. The children can come dressed in their party clothes or from a particular decade, but don't go out and buy anything. We also have a Big Picnic lunch the day after which the children can dress up for too. Thank you for your support

Year One:

This fortnight, Year 1 made the most of the last of the bluebells in the forest by taking pictures and considering interesting and exciting vocabulary to describe them with. We then uploaded these photos onto the Chrome Books and added text using our adjectives, personification and alliteration. These have created a beautiful bluebell display in our classroom and I was impressed by the children's IT skills. The class wrote a recount of our trip to Cardiff Museum, and we had a great discussion about what we remembered and had learned. This week we have started a science experiment to investigate which surface would be best to repair the road that the Queen's post van travels on, changing the materials and recording our results. We have also begun filming interviews of Queen Elizabeth, taking on the roles of camera operators, interviewers and actors and writing questions and answers. We are excited for our Disco Through the Decades next Tuesday, with children dressing up in clothes from a decade of the Queen's reign or party clothes of today, as well as our school Jubilee picnic on Wednesday.

Year Two:

What an exciting couple of weeks Year 2 have had. We have been lucky enough to have a half day session with Liz Knight, learning all about foraging in particular with nettles and even making nettle cup cakes using Liz's own recipe. We thoroughly enjoyed overcoming our fears of touching nettles carefully, learning about their importance and also enjoying the delicious cakes. We enjoyed some quiet time at Forest School, listening to the birds whilst sketching the beautiful bluebells that were in front of us, we also designed and built a structure using just sticks and string if needed, seeing how tall and strong we could make it. Some future architects in Year 2! We have been learning about the importance of algorithms in ICT and also developing our bowling and batting skills in cricket. We have been comparing the differences and similarities between coast and countryside and have been surprised by how many similarities there are! We were hoping to carry out our scoot-to- school sessions but due to the weather this was postponed. We look forward to carrying this out on Thursday 26th May.

Year Three:

Year 3 enjoyed a foraging session and have learnt a lot about the uses of nettles and that we need to look after them as they are part of an environment for insects. We have been using similes and metaphors to create a poem about the coast and written a story inspired by an animation about a lighthouse keeper in Literacy. In Humanities we have been learning about the life of Grace Darling and have recognised variables and made observations in a science investigation as to how different masses have an effect on capacity. We have been developing our athletics skills and batting skills in P.E.

Year Four:

Over the past two weeks we have been practising and completing the National reading, reasoning and procedural tests. We are so proud of the way the children have taken them all in their stride and completed each to the very best of their ability. It has been lovely to welcome parents into school this week and for the children to share their books with you. We have begun researching the different types of masks used in festivals in preparation for designing and making our own masks. In literacy and maths we have had a focus on graphs, creating emotions graphs of characters using our inference skills and drawing climate graphs showing the average rainfall and temperature. The children have been enjoying our short block of cricket sessions in P.E and have already participated in matches that have allowed them to put their batting, bowling and fielding skills into action. We will be focusing on athletics and sports day activities after half term. We are working on describing an animal using 3rd person language in Welsh, including describing their physical features and what they like to play with and eat. The children are currently working on a digital storyboard about their chosen animal. Last week we welcomed Geraint Roberts from MCC in to talk to us as part of our work on road safety. We are excited to be working on our final project of the year which is aimed at highlighting the importance of wearing helmets when cycling, scooting etc. Watch this space for further details!

Year Five:

Our work on Brightstorm has continued over the last few weeks, and we have been putting ourselves into one of the character's shoes to complete lots of different activities. We have thought about the qualities and skills an explorer would need and used our persuasive skills to write letters of application to join the expedition crew on the Aurora. Then we started to consider what we would need to pack to take with us on the treacherous journey.

In Maths we have been working on our data handling skills, constructing and interpreting climate graphs for different areas of the Great Wide. This week we have continued our research of festivals around the world, looking in particular at costumes and masks. We have put together a mood board of ideas and inspiration using our digital skills, before starting to create our own mask for our chosen festival. The children are looking forward to bringing their final designs to life after half term!

Year Six:

Another busy couple of weeks in Year 6 as we head towards May half term. We have continued to work collaboratively on our new topic; Around the World in 80 days where we have started to research a range of different festivals which are celebrated in many countries. We have created a quick guide to the festivals, looking at the history of the festivals, why and how they are celebrated and the traditions associated with the festivals. We will then use our research to create a more detailed presentation about our favourite festival working in small groups and present our findings to the others. We have also been lucky and had the opportunity to carry out some pond dipping in our school pond and were very excited with some of our findings. Thank you to Miss Tudge who organised the 2 afternoons and the helpers Mrs James and Mrs Hennessey; we really appreciate you giving up your time in school. Last week Year 6 also had the opportunity to take part in an interschools Swimming Gala where we came a very respectable 4th place, missing out on 3rd by only 1 point. Thank you again to Mrs Fawsitt and Mrs Pilkington for accompanying the children and reporting back on their amazing teamwork and attitude during the gala. Finally last week we managed to plant our school gardens, using our designs which we adapted slightly to fit the colours and the plants we received. After writing letters we would like to thank Raglan Garden Centre for the bulbs they donated and Mrs Christofi for the donation from school which we used to purchase the flowers - we hope to see them bloom in time for the Jubilee.



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*Queens Platinum Jubilee
Street Party*



A selection of sandwiches

Sausage Rolls

Cocktail Sausages

Finger Pizza

Cheese and Pineapple

Fairy Cakes

Choc Ice

A choice of drinks