



Week Ending—Friday 8th July

Trellech Primary School Newsletter

Inerim Deputy Head & TLR Posts

Following earlier details that Mrs Christofi will be completing a secondment for the forthcoming academic year with the Education Achievement Service and Mrs Peacock will become the Interim Headteacher for that time. We shared that it would be necessary to appoint an acting Deputy Headteacher. Working alongside our Governing Body we are pleased to announce that Mrs Cotton will take the post of Deputy Headteacher and Mrs Maunder & Miss Powell will form part of the Senior Leadership Team leading Professional Learning and Curriculum. We are very much looking forward to working together as a team supporting the whole school in its continuous journey. Congratulations to you all.

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Thank you to those of you who have already registered with Schoop as our platform of communication. We hope that it has been a smooth process and the lines of communication have improved for you. Please do get in touch if you have any difficulties with the platform and we will do our best to help you. We as staff are also trying to get used to publishing posts so we apologise in advance if we make any mistakes!

Keep Wales Tidy: Birds Eye View Competition

On Monday, three of our Year Two Pupils were invited to a presentation at Bridges. The children all completed a poem and piece of art, entitled 'A Birds Eye View'. They were all recognised for their achievements, with Lowenna achieving 1st Prize for her Art, Danny 1st Prize and Jacob 2nd Prize for their poetry. Congratulations to you all.



Curriculum Development

Last Friday, saw all staff collaborating and spending time further developing the new curriculum as we begin to prepare for the new academic year. Miss Powell led the session following her work with cluster colleagues as well as colleagues from the EAS region. The informative INSET enabled all staff to further enhance the curriculum offer here at Trellech, focussing particularly on progression within each Area of Learning and Experience. The afternoon was spent in our planning teams, mapping out the forthcoming year in Progression Step teams, focussing on the coverage, skills and knowledge. It was invaluable to have time to spend having professional dialogue as we continue to move forward on our curriculum journey.

Move Up Day

This week we welcomed our newest children to Trellech as part of our Move Up Day, they were a delight and we look forward to welcoming them along with Miss Elias to Trellech in September. All our children spent the day in their new classrooms with their new teachers, what a busy day they all had! Our Year Six, have had the opportunity to visit Monmouth Comprehensive School over two days this week, they have returned having had lots of experiences and the opportunity to familiarise themselves with their new school and develop new friendships.

Social Media Communications.

It has been brought to our attention that whilst communication groups to support each other with communication linked to school and reminding us of events within school, these platforms should not be used to express concerns and name specific individuals, as this would be considered to be a breach of personal data. Please do come to school to discuss any concerns you may have linked to your child directly— we continue to strive to work together to support you and your children to feel and happy and safe whilst in school.

Sports Day Feedback

Following two wonderful afternoons of sport in the glorious sunshine. We would like your opinion on how we consider holding next years events. You should have all received a link to a simple form via Schoop which asks for your opinion on whether it works best for you over two afternoons or by holding two events in one day (morning and afternoon). We value your opinion and welcome your feedback as we consider events in the forthcoming academic year. <https://bit.ly/trellechsportsday>

Sportily

Yesterday, our Y5 and Y6 pupils took part in a variety of activities with Sportily (part of Viney Hill) with our friends from Pillowell Primary. It is a delight to welcome friends from across the border to collaborate on such activities.



Summer Term

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

Mon 18th July: Dress Rehearsal for Cinderella Rockafella

Tues 19th July: 1.30pm Cinderella Rockafella Performance & 5.30pm Performance for Parents (Yr6 Leavers Presentation)

Thurs 21st July: Yr 6 Prisco 5.30pm

Fri 22nd July— End of Academic Year

Autumn Term

Fri 2nd Sept— INSET Day School Closed to pupils

Mon 5th Sept— Autumn Term Commences for All Pupils

Mon 12th Sept— Reception Pupils Commence full time

Fri 30th Sept- INSET Day School Closed to Pupils

Fri 28th Oct— End of Half Term

Mon 7th Nov— Autumn Term Two Commences

Fri 23rd Dec— End of Autumn Term

Mon 9th Jan— Spring Term Commences

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Fri 17th Feb— Half Term Commences

Mon 27th Feb— Spring Term Two Commences

Fri 31st Mar— End of Spring Term

Mon 17th April— Summer Term Commences

Fri 26th May— Half Term Commences

Mon 5th June— Summer Term Two Commences

Fri 21st July—End of Summer Term

Two further INSET Days to be confirmed

Class News

Reception:

The children are really enjoying finding out about The Great Fire of London. One of the children asked how I knew so much about it. I said it was all because of Samuel Pepys diary! We have been learning a catchy song all about the fire. This week we have been finding out about Tudor houses and comparing them to today's houses. We know all about daub and wattle that were used inside the walls. We have also looked at the reasons the fire spread so quickly. This week we have been creating a vessel to carry the people over the Thames - lots of problem solving and interesting conversations. The children have been painting Tudor houses and labelling their main features. Last week we were giving each other directional language to reach specific locations. Then we programmed a beebot to reach landmarks of London. Next week we will be looking at historical landmarks in Trellech.

Year One:

This fortnight, Year 1 have been learning more about the Great Fire of London. They drew some Tudor houses and compared them to those of the modern day, and particularly enjoyed learning that they were made partially out of animal dung! Year 1 have been developing their body awareness by creating London landmark yoga poses, focussing on smooth transitions between poses. In Forest School we built a campfire and toasted marshmallows using sticks that we had whittled ourselves, and sung campfire songs as we ate them. Children were very sensible around the fire which was great to see. The class were very excited to spend Tuesday in Year 2 with Mr Green, and I hope it has made them look forward to September even more. Next week, Year 1 will be taking the afternoons to visit various historical landmarks of Trellech village. They do not need to bring in anything extra, but there will not be Forest School on Monday and children should wear school uniform. Diolch!

Year Two:

Over the last couple of weeks Year 2 have been busy presenting their presentations on a topic of their choice with topics ranging from bees to trains, to crafts to Dubai. They have been fantastic and the children very much enthusiastic and confident about their chosen topic. Da iawn Year 2, you should all be very proud. We had the pleasure of learning some sign language from an external visitor. The session was very interactive and fun with lots of new words being learnt including the signing of some songs. Forest School sessions have consisted of some art work creating beautiful, well thought of natural landscapes and frames as well as leaf animals. We have continued with our kerb craft sessions, developing our knowledge of how to stay safe near the roads and also our swimming sessions where our confidence is continuing to grow. We have been working collaboratively to plan and create a travel brochure to encourage people to visit a place of our choice. These have been produced beautifully and we can't wait to show you our finished work! We have been busy problem solving in maths, making tables and chairs of different sizes to ensure the chair fits under the table, thinking about measurements/ lengths/ the need for equal sides etc. We have also looked at the importance of National Parks and located the 3 that are within Wales.

Year Three:

Year Three have been learning about and measuring perimeter. We started off by counting squares in books then progressing to using measuring tapes and rulers to calculate perimeter. They were very quick to recognise how it is easier to multiply the length and the width by 2 rather than add all the sides up in rectangles. In literacy we have been looking at homophones (words that sound the same but are spelt differently) and using main and subordinate clauses. The pupils wrapped up their study of a novel by writing up a book review too. In P.E we have started to develop our overarm bowling in cricket and in Forest Schools, the pupils focused really well to independently create a nature scene using natural materials.

Year Four:

We have had a fantastic few weeks in Year 4 and have been lucky enough to welcome some visitors in to work with us. We took part in a Samba drumming workshop, where we learnt about the Rio carnival and some of the instruments that make up a Samba band . The children composed a piece of traditional Samba music and worked well as a team to keep in time to the rhythm. We also welcomed Gwent Police to introduce a new initiative for next year called 'Heddlu Bach.' (Mini police) The children will be working on issues such as litter, anti-social behaviour, parking, first aid and speeding amongst others. In our Literacy this last few weeks, we have been busy researching and planning a persuasive tourist brochure for a country such as Mexico. We have looked at persuasive techniques such as alliteration, use of emotive language, rhetorical questions etc. Why don't you see if they can spot some of these features in leaflets or posters you have at home or when you are out and about. In our ICT sessions this week, we have used Scratch and Scratch Junior to create our own codes, the children have absolutely loved it and we have been amazed at how well they have done- what ambitious and capable learners they are.

Year Five:

Over the last few weeks Year 5 have enjoyed taking part in a Samba drumming workshop linked to our Festivals topic. We learnt about the different instruments that make up a Samba band, found out more about how music is used at Rio carnival, and were able to have a go at playing a Samba piece of our own. It was tricky to keep in time when all of the groups were replaying a different rhythm, but we were very resilient and persevered until we got it! This week we have been putting together all our ICT skills to design and program an automated sky-ship, combining flashing lights, motors and buzzers. I have been so impressed with all the children during this task – fantastic computer engineering!

We were also lucky enough to be joined by children from Pillowell Primary School this week for a fun-filled day of sports and team-building activities with Sportily. The children were so welcoming to our visitors and represented our school brilliantly. Da iawn to you all.

Year Six:

Transition activities began last week for our year 6 where we were invited to participate in an action-packed day at Bailey Park. The day was brilliant with lots of team building games and tasks to test our skills and resilience. The attitude and team work displayed by yr6 was amazing and they should be very proud of how they represented Trellech School. We were also lucky to receive another invite to watch Monmouth School for Girls performance of Matilda - what a great show. I'm sure you were all inspired to put on an amazing performance of our own Cinderella Rockerfella. This week yr6 have continued with their transition visits to MCS, spending two days with your new forms and making new friends. It was great listening to your stories when you returned. I really can't believe we are on the count down to the end of your yr6 at Trellech and I'm sure you are feeling mixed emotions too. Just remember we still have our residential visit and our performance and I know you'll be amazing.



Wales Ladies v's Solvenia (Tuesday 6th September)

Opportunity for Tickets

"The number of girls attending the football club in school increases every year, and hopefully this trend will continue after they have watched these amazing role models at a packed Cardiff City Stadium."

Gemma Grainger's Cymru will be looking to make history on two fronts on Tuesday 6 September in their key FIFA Women's World Cup qualifier against Slovenia at the Cardiff City Stadium. Four points in the remaining two qualifiers (with the first match away to Greece on Friday 2 September) will secure a play-off place for the first time in the side's history. Off the pitch, an ambitious target of 10,000 supporters has been set, double the current attendance record, as Grainger and the players are hoping the Red Wall can help to push them over the line.

As a school we are able to order tickets to support our Welsh Ladies team, they are available at a cost of £6 for adults, £4 for senior citizens and £2 for children please request your tickets via <https://forms.office.com/r/XfnLgXWH6m> and make payment via cash in a clearly labelled envelope FAO Mrs Peacock and we will book the tickets as a school for the event. Please may we ask that all ticket requests and payments are completed by Thursday 21st July in order for the ticket request to be placed with the FAW.

Once our booking and allocation of tickets have been confirmed, tickets are non-refundable.

Monmouth Schools Sports Club

SWIMMING CRASH COURSE

25TH, 27TH, 28TH & 29TH JULY
9:30AM-10AM OR 10AM-10:30AM
£40 PER CHILD

Please contact us at
sportsclub@habsmonmouth.org
or
01600 714381

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Minis Rugby

Preseason Training

U7 (Y2) - U11 (Yr 6)

FREE TASTER SESSION

July 10th & 17th 10.00-11.30am

Is your son or daughter Year 2 to Year 6 at school?
Do they fancy playing rugby, making new friends and having fun?
Get contact ready for school rugby. Don't leave it until September.

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