



Newsletter



Christmas Wishes from Mrs Peacock...

I would like to take this opportunity to say a huge thank you to you all for your support over the last term.

My role as Acting Headteacher has given me many new challenges and tasks, some that as a class teacher I was unaware existed! The wonderful children here at Trellech make a very special school to lead, with new achievements and challenges being accomplished each and every day.

I am sure you will join me in thanking the wonderful team who make Trellech the school it is. The variety of opportunities facilitated by the whole team provide our learners with an exciting place to learn and develop new skills. A special thank you to our School Governing Body and our PTFA who continue to invest time for the benefit and development of our school.

To you our parents and carers I would like to wish you a peaceful Christmas. I am aware that Christmas can be a challenging time for many but hope that the opportunity to take some time as a family will bring happiness to you all. With my best wishes for a Happy and prosperous new year and I look forward to continuing working with you in 2023.

Christmas Performances

It was such a privilege to welcome families into school for our FP and Y3/ 4 Performances last week. After two years of recording performances it was a wonderful sight to see the hall full and our children performing to an audience. Those of you who were able to join us will, I am sure you will agree that the children responded to an audience. Such opportunities enables all our learners to shine and share their talents. We were witness to some very talented performers during each performance. Well done to each and every pupil who took

part and a very special thank you to our wonderful staff who works so hard to support our children in preparing for such performances.



Winter Wonderland

What a wonderful evening we had last Friday at our PTFA Winter Wonderland. We are sure you will agree it was a spectacular event with an authentic Wonderland. It was wonderful to see the whole school community coming together to support our PTFA. A huge thank you to our PTFA and huge group of volunteers that enables such events to take place. A special diolch must go to Mr Nick Blamey who executed an amazing vision, spending many hours in freezing temperatures creating snowmen, trees and candy canes for the event.

Reception Parent Sharing Session

This week saw our Reception parents join their children in a Christmas Sharing Session where they together made sock snowmen, Christmas Trees and some beautiful colourings. A huge diolch yn fawr to Miss Elias and Miss Ward for organising the morning and our PTFA for providing refreshments.



Carol Singing at Coombe Care Home

Yesterday, saw our youngest learners visit Coombe Care home to sing to the residents. We are very proud of their achievements and the way in which they entertained and represented our school. They were so entertaining that they have been invited back for a Summer Garden Party!

Treasure Island at The Savoy

Last week ended with our whole school attending The Savoy Theatre, Monmouth to watch Treasure Island. It was a delight to see the children so engaged and enthusiastic during the performance. It was wonderful to attend our local theatre, travelling on our local bus company.

Strep A and Scarlet Fever

We have now had several cases of Scarlet Fever and have liaised with the Health Protection Board to monitor cases. Please do inform the school via email (trellechprimary@monmouthshire.gov.uk) during the holiday period of any further cases so we can continue to monitor the number of cases within our school community.

Autumn Term

Fri 23rd Dec– End of Autumn Term

Spring Term 2023

Mon 9th Jan– Spring Term Commences

Mon 9th Jan– INSET Day School Closed to Pupils

Fri 17th Feb– INSET Day School Closed to Pupils

Fri 17th Feb– Half Term Commences

Mon 27th Feb– Spring Term Two Commences

Weds 1st Mar–Eisteddfod

Fri 3rd Mar- World Book Day

Fri 31st Mar– End of Spring Term

Weds 26th—Fri 29th April—Yr6 Residential Gilwern

Mon 17th April– Summer Term Commences

Mon 15th—Weds 17th May—Yr5 Residential Viney Hill

Fri 26th May– Half Term Commences

Summer Term 2023

Mon 5th June– Summer Term Two Commences

Weds 14th June: KS2 Sports Day

Thurs 15th June: FP Sports Day

Weds 21st June: Reserve KS2 Sports day

Thurs 22nd June: Reserve FP Sports Day

Fri 30th June: INSET Day School Closed to Pupils

Weds 12th July: PS3 Summer Performance

Thurs 13th July: PS3 Summer Performance

Fri 21st July—End of Summer Term

One further INSET Days to be confirmed: currently a sixth INSET Day is under consultation by Welsh Government

Year 6 and Year 3 Reading Buddies

Year 6 and year 3 have enjoyed becoming reading buddies. It is a lovely way to end our day, finding a cosy spot to curl-up and share a book. Seeing the friendships flourish between the two classes is wonderful as well as helping our reading skills to grow.



A special visit from Louby Lou

The school had a surprise visit from two, very excited elves on Monday 12th December. The mischievous elves spent the morning in school playing games and having fun ensuring everyone was ready for Christmas.



Jolly Jumper Day

The school looked very festive and jolly with staff and pupils wearing their jolly Christmas jumpers. All monies raised will be donated to St David's Hospice. If you would like to make a donation you can still by using parentpay - diolch. The Charities Committees will announce in the new year how much we have raised.



Community Christmas Card delivery

Year 5 and Reception children worked collaboratively to design Christmas cards to deliver to our local community. They had a fantastic afternoon finger painting together. Year 5 then delivered to cards to our neighbours in the village on Tuesday morning.



Class News

Reception:

What a fantastic two weeks we have had in Reception. We have been very busy exploring all things Christmas and preparing for the big day that will be here before we know it! I would like to say a massive thank you for attending our Christmas Parent session on the 19th, it was lovely to see you all together and support your children's learning. Over the past two weeks, Reception have taken part in their first Nativity performance, attended the Christmas panto and created some lovely Christmas decorations that were sold at the Winter Wonderland Event. This week we have had a great time at our Christmas party, the children really enjoyed showing off their dance moves! Reception have also visited The Coombes Nursing Home to spread some Christmas spirit amongst the residents. Miss Ward, and I would just like to say how proud we are of every child in Reception, you make us smile every day! Have a lovely Christmas and thank you for all your continued support! Nadolig Llawen!

Year One:

Let me start by saying diolch yn fawr to Year 1. A huge thank you and well done to each of you for being so respectful and well-behaved on our visit to the Savoy Theatre for the pantomime – you joined in at all the right bits! On top of this, the biggest thank you and well done for performing in your very first live Nativity shows. You were excellent on stage and in the wings, dancing, singing and acting for an audience that had the best time watching you. Each of you should feel immensely proud of yourselves. This week, children have been busy preparing for Christmas and getting their craft on. We have been enjoying Christmas stories daily throughout December, with the added excitement of a gift under the tree! What a treat it was to have a visit from Father Christmas himself at our party, on top of some games, (fabulous) dancing and snacks! I hope that you all have a wonderful Christmas and a brilliant New Year, spent with the people closest to your hearts. Nadolig Llawen pawb!

Year Two:

I can't believe our first term is over in Year Two already! It's been a busy term and we all deserve a well - earned rest. Well done to the children on learning lines, songs, actions and timings for their nativity performances; it's a lot to take on and I am really proud of them. Apart from making products for enterprise, Christmas cards and calendars we have visited Forest School with Reception where we enjoyed a campfire with lots of toasted marshmallows; been to the panto to watch Treasure Island and enjoyed our Christmas party where we were treated to a visit from Father Christmas. We have been carrying out fun Christmas maths; writing persuasive letters to Father Christmas and a wish list in Welsh as well as learning how Christmas is celebrated around the world and how animals have adapted to the Arctic Circle. Thanks for your support this year and I hope you all have a wonderful Christmas. See you in the New Year.



Year Three:

What a busy term we have had! Last week we enjoyed a visit from some naughty elves, who turned up at school to cause chaos and play some of Santa’s favourite games with the children – great fun! Following our nativity performances – which I’m sure you will agree were outstanding - we visited the Savoy to watch Treasure Island, which all of the children thoroughly enjoyed. In class we have been getting crafty, making cards, calendars and tree decorations. We have used our STEM skills to design a new conveyor belt for the toy factory, a catapult to deliver presents, and a safe way for Santa to get down the chimney. There were some brilliant ideas, and I think we have some future designers in the class! We also experimented with creating Christmas drawings on the Chromebook, and the children surprised themselves with just how good they were! Thank you for all your support this term. I hope you enjoying a relaxing, restful break over the holidays, and look forward to welcoming you back in the new year.

Year Four:

It has been a fun packed term with so much to fit in but, we got there. Thank you so much for your support with supplying costumes for the Nativity; buying the wreaths and baubles for our class enterprise and for just helping us to get through this busy term. Last week we were fortunate to have Louby Lou story telling. These naughty elves visited each class with their pesky shenanigans! Both Nativities went well and we hope you enjoyed the children’s acting and singing. We were very proud of them all. We all enjoyed the Pantomime at the Savoy and it was lovely to support the local community. (Brrrr, it was cold that day).The children have been busy making Christmas cards and a little something to hang on the tree, which I am sure you will treasure. The children have also been working in pairs to create a power point about Christmas in different countries. They then fed back to the rest of the class, comparing similarities and differences. I am sure you are all looking forward to the Christmas break, and so please find time to relax if you can and have more than one pyjama day. We look forward to seeing you all in the New Year. Happy, healthy New Year to you all and thank you for your continued support.



Year Five:

I can't believe that we have finished our first term in Year 5 and what a busy term we have had. We started our fortnight with two, mischievous little elves visiting our classroom, Elf Sprouts played games and got us all very excited for Christmas. We then had the opportunity to watch two fantastic Nativity stories performed by the pupils in PS1 and PS2, which made us all feel very Christmassy but also to remember the true meaning of Christmas. We also continued to be very busy making our products for the fantastic Winter Wonderland event hosted by our amazing PTFA. Year 5 were very proud to make £75 profit and we tried to be as eco friendly as possible by reusing and recycling to make new. The end of the week also saw our trip to the Savoy theatre to watch the pantomime Treasure Island; oh yes we did! Throughout the two weeks we have also been learning in literacy and maths. For our literacy we created our own TV Christmas adverts; they were so good we have sent them to John Lewis to give them some ideas so watch this space! In maths we have been plotting Christmas co-ordinates and solving Christmas code-breakers. We have also made cards, calendars and gifts for our families. What a very busy term we have had, I would like to take this opportunity to thank you all for your help and support this year. I hope you all have a peaceful Christmas—Nadolig Llawen a blwyddyn Newydd dda.



Year Six:

What an exciting and busy end to the term we have had in year 6. We are extremely grateful for your support at the Winter Wonderland, purchasing the items the children had made. As a class they made a £65 profit which is fantastic! For literacy we have studied the impact of advertising by analysing Christmas adverts, finding the emotions and messages they portray and how they persuade us to shop at their stores. Following that, the children designed their own adverts on storyboards. I think we have some budding advertising executives amongst us! We all thoroughly enjoyed our trip to the Pantomime at the Savoy Theatre and watching our own fantastic performances by PS1 and PS2 in school. Two rather cheeky elves caused havoc around school last week before playing some very silly games with us which was a lot of fun. Our numeracy work has seen us drawing Christmas images with co-ordinates and costing out a Christmas lunch, whilst in ICT we have created interactive quizzes. Cards, calendars and decorations have been made and we hope you enjoy them. Thank you for all your support this term, we really couldn't do it without you. Enjoy a peaceful and relaxing Christmas with your families. Nadolig Llawen.

Trellech Methodist Church

Families at Four

Please help us welcome in Christmas
in our child-friendly service

at 4p.m. on

Christmas Eve



Trellech Teas

at Trellech Church

2.30-4.30 pm

Dates for your diary are every other Friday:

13th & 27th January; 10th & 24th February; 10th & 24th March;

21st April & 5th May 2023.

We are sorry but we can't hold one on the 7th April as it is Good Friday.

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**WEITHREDOL CHWARAE
ACTIVE PLAY**

	Time	Venue
Dydd Mercher Ionawr 4 ^{ydd} a Dydd Gwener Ionawr 6 ^{ed}	10:00-11.55am	Canolfan Hamdden Trefynwy
Wednesday 4 th January & Friday 6 th January	10:00-11.55am	Monmouth Leisure Centre
Dydd Mercher Ionawr 4 ^{ydd} a Dydd Gwener Ionawr 6 ^{ed}	10:00-11.55am	Canolfan Hamdden Cil-y-coed
Wednesday 4 th January & Friday 6 th January	10:00-11.55am	Caldicot Leisure Centre
Dydd Mercher Ionawr 4 ^{ydd} a Dydd Gwener Ionawr 6 ^{ed}	10:00-11.55am	Canolfan Hamdden Cas-gwent
Wednesday 4 th January & Friday 6 th January	10:00-11.55am	Chepstow Leisure Centre
Dydd Mercher Ionawr 4 ^{ydd} a Dydd Gwener Ionawr 6 ^{ed}	10:00-11.55am	Y Fenni – Y Caban (Hen Heol Henffordd, Y Fenni, NP7 6EL)
Wednesday 4 th January & Friday 6 th January	10:00-11.55am	Abergavenny – The Cabin (Old Hereford Road, Abergavenny, NP7 6EL)



**AROS A CHWARAE
STAY AND PLAY**

	Amser / Time	Lleoliad / Venue
Dydd Iau 5 ^{ed} Ionawr	11.30-13.30	Neuadd Goffa Gwndy
Thursday 5 th January	11.30-13.30	Undy Memorial Hall
Dydd Mawrth 3 ^{ed} Ionawr	11.30-13.30	Neuadd y Sir
Tuesday 3 rd January	11.30-13.30	Shire Hall



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SUPERVISION REQUIRED!**

