



# Newsletter

## Trellech Primary School

### Parent Workshops

It has been a pleasure to welcome parents and governors to our most recent parent workshops. Miss Powell led a Digital Safety Workshop and Mrs Maunder delivered along with the help of some Y6 pupils a Maths and Numeracy Workshop. The feedback has been very positive. We look to repeat these sessions during the Autumn Term at a different time to enable those unable to attend in the morning an opportunity attend. We look forward to welcoming you for our final workshop of this term on:

Tuesday 20th June: Reading at Trellech

If you would like to join this session please email the school office to confirm.

### Sharing Session and Parent Consultations

It has been a pleasure to welcome families to school to our three sharing sessions. It has been a delight to see the children proudly sharing their achievements with you. We hope that this week you have been able to meet with your child's teacher to discuss their progress over the year and their mid year report. Following the format this academic year, please ensure you provide feedback in questionnaire that will be shared in the near future to help us inform our planning of reporting on pupil progress in the next academic year.

### Community Project

We have been blessed recently with significant donations of resources from Robert Price Builder Merchants and Jewson (Coleford). This has been utilised significantly to improve the Foundation Phase Outdoor Learning Area. Playwood ( Parents of Abbie Y4 & Isabel Y3,) designed and installed the area along with the help of an army of volunteers led by Ceri Jones (Parent Governor) gave their weekend to make a huge difference to learning space.

Playwood have also kindly donated large outdoor numicon boards and wobble boards to the school.

A huge thank you to everyone involved in the project.

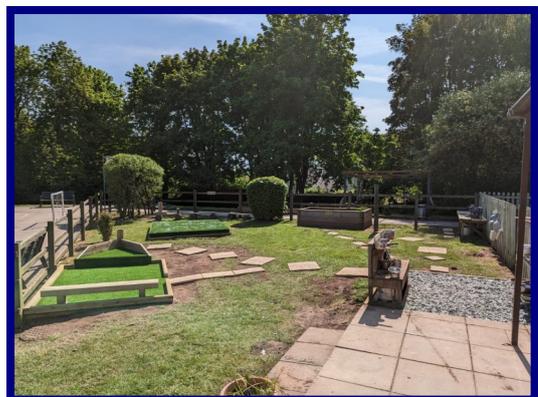
### Chick's in Reception

Following the successfully hatching of eggs in Reception, our wonderful PTFA kindly agreed to support the purchase of their coup top ensure they could return to school safely. Over the holiday Mr Oliver and Mr XXXX kindly constructed the coup in readiness for their return. They are now back here in school, do say hello to them as you pass by! We are very grateful to Mrs Cookman who has supported the reception team from the arrival of our eggs to their return this week as well as caring for them in the holidays.

We are looking for some volunteers who are willing and within walking distance (if possible) of the school to help care for our chickens over the weekends and during the holidays. If you are able to join the rota please do let Reception of the Office know, thank you in advance.

### Year Five Playmakers Conference

Y5 had a great day on Wednesday this week where we had the opportunity to attend the Playmakers Conference, being held at Monmouth Comprehensive School, with other Y5 classes from our cluster school. This is an event which hasn't been able to take place for the last few years and it was great to see the children interacting with other Y5 pupils. Y5 spent the day, in the sunshine, having a go at a range of different activities, many of which had been previously introduced during their playmaker day held in the autumn term. They had the opportunity to complete a mini parkrun, play a game of rounders, use their problem solving skills to capture the treasure and relax with some mindfulness yoga in the sun. A big thank you to our PTFA for kindly funding the cost of the transport, which enabled us to keep the cost of this opportunity free.



## Summer Term 2023

**Weds 14<sup>th</sup> June:** KS2 Sports Day

**Thurs 15<sup>th</sup> June:** FP Sports Day

**Weds 21<sup>st</sup> June:** Reserve KS2 Sports day

**Thurs 22<sup>nd</sup> June:** Reserve FP Sports Day

**Fri 30th June:** INSET Day School Closed to Pupils

**Mon 3rd July:** INSET Day School Closed to Pupils

**Weds 5th July:** Move Up Day

**Tues 11<sup>th</sup> July:** PS3 Summer Performance (Change of Date)

**Weds 12<sup>th</sup> July:** PS3 Summer Performance

**Fri 21st July :** Leavers Assembly—10am

**Fri 21st July—**End of Summer Term

**Fri 1st Sept—** Autumn Term commences: INSET Day School Closed to all Pupils

**Mon 4th Sept:** Autumn Term commences for all Pupils

**Fri 29th Sept:** INSET— School Closed to Pupils

**Fri 3rd May:** INSET—School Closed to Pupil

## Year Six Leavers

We would like to invite all Year Six Parents and Carers to our Leavers Assembly on Friday 21st July at 10am. We will celebrate our Leavers and share some special memories. Later, in the day we will hold a celebration party with food and a variety of activities.

## Year 4, 5, and Six Summer Production.

This will take place on Tuesday 11th July at 1.30pm and Wednesday 12th July at 6pm. Please note the change of day due to the Year Six Swimming Gala

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## Sports Day

We are looking forward to welcoming you to our annual Sports Afternoons next week. Please bring a rug/ chair to share an enjoyable afternoon celebrating all of our pupils.

Wednesday 14th June: KS2 Sports Day— 1.30pm

Thursday 15th June: FP Sports Day— 1.30pm

## Congratulations....

to Miss Elias who has successfully gained a full time post in Usk Primary School in September. I am sure that you will join us in showing your appreciation of everything she has contributed to Trellech School during her maternity cover with us and wish her the very best as she continues to make a huge impact pupils learning journey.

Also congratulations to Miss Light who has successfully been appointed as a class teacher for 3days per week here in Trellech School. Miss Light will work with Mrs Hassall in reception from September. Many of you may know that Miss Light has worked in Trellech as a Learning Support Assistant whilst completing her PGCE and has already had a positive impact on our learners.

## Tennis Success

Lyra S (Y5) has been particularly busy over the last few weeks! LTA County Cup 10U 2023

Lyra was fortunate enough to be selected to represent South Wales in the 10U County Cup tournament against 4 other county teams competing for a place in the final. A great effort from all the girls with some epic matches played, which resulted in them coming 2nd overall. Well Done!

Lyra then came 2nd in the 11U Grade 4 South Wales County Championships during half term, held in Cardiff. Well done on your successes.



## **Class News**

### **Reception:**

What a lovely first week back we have had in Reception. The weather has been lovely which has allowed us to spend lots of times outdoors and in our lovely environment. We have been practicing sports day in preparation for next week. We can't wait to see you all and share our successes. In Literacy this week we have been looking at sentence openers and using them to help us to write a recount. In Numeracy, we have been counting in 2s. As our new topic has started 'healthy, confident me' we are going to go through the rest of this term learning about how we can have a healthy body and healthy mind. We've started this week by looking at what keeps us healthy and why it is important to keep clean. The children have learnt about microbes, and we even planned our own journey based on the book 'Do not lick this book'. We have welcomed the chickens back into school and we are super excited to watch as they grow. A big thank you to all the parents who made it possible over the half term for them to come back into school. Thank you for your continued support!

### **Year One:**

This week Year 1 have been busy practising for sports day in the lovely sunshine. They have been finding half of odd numbers in maths and finishing off their fictional stories in literacy. We have enjoyed learning German with Felix and Franzi and thinking about our new topic, Confident, Healthy Me. What a great start to the final term in year 1!

### **Year Two:**

Pupils in Year Two have been enjoying measuring the outside area to create a bird's eye view plan. They have measured in cm and m. We have also started to answer questions based on reasoning. This is all about applying mathematical knowledge to solving written problems. We have been retelling a story using similes, time openers, question openers and adverbs. The pupils have been really improving with their Welsh language skills by taking part in 'Y Gadair boeth' (the hot seat) whereby they are asked up to 18 different questions by their peers and answer them. Pupils have also been comparing and contrasting the capital cities Cardiff and Paris in humanities. They have found out lots of facts.

### **Year Three**

It is hard to believe we are already in the final half term of Year 3! Over the last couple of weeks, we have continued our work on the Tour de France, and the children have really enjoyed finding out more about it. We carried out independent research and used the information we found to create a non-chronological report. This week in Literacy we have used our Clever Writer skills to begin planning a story involving a magic bicycle, and we look forward to writing this next week. Our Maths work has been focussed on money – we started by identifying the different coins and notes that we have, and have practised using different combinations of coins to make amounts. Then we moved on to adding together more than one amount to calculate a total, and had a go at converting between pounds and pence. In French we have been learning some names of body parts by singing Alouette which we are really enjoying! We have also been busy practising for Sports Day, and look forward to you joining us next week (fingers crossed this lovely weather sticks around!)

**Year 4:** Well, we can't quite believe we are now in our last half term. How time flies. This term we are studying the Artist; Picasso and the children are really enjoying creating pictures in the style of this Artist. We intend to create a little Art Gallery and invite you in to see the children's creations. This week we have been journalists, writing a Newspaper Report about a sporting event. We have been busy practising for Sports Day so, hopefully the weather will stay fine for us. Forest School will commence again next Tuesday 13th. In Numeracy we have been practising the 6x table in and out of order. Also finding the area of various shapes. We then moved on to finding the perimeter of irregular and regular shapes. In Science we have been finding out how to calculate our pulse rate and factors that can influence heart rate. They should have brought home their lines to learn now for our French performance (details to follow soon). It was good to meet with most of you to discuss your child's progress this week and we hope you enjoyed looking at their books too. Thank you for your continued support.

**Year Five:** Over the last two weeks we have continued to work on our summer term topic Champions, looking at different Welsh champions and writing a biography about the life. We selected a range of people we feel they are champions in their own fields from Sir Tom Jones in music, Laura Ashley in design and Tanni Grey-Thompson in sport. We then created our own newspaper reports relating to a significant event in the life of our chosen champion it share with others what they have achieved. In maths we have been learning to tell the time using the 24 hour clock, learning the difference between morning, evening and night. We have then used this new skill to read bus and train timetable to work out how long journeys might take and when we might arrive at a new destination. In Expressive Arts we have begun to learn about the famous artist Claude Monet and look at his life before he became a famous painter, we are looking forward to painting in the style of Monet in the coming week. We were very lucky on Wednesday to be invited to the Y5 Playmakers Conference run by Monlife. We had the chance to experience a range of different activities from completing a mini park run, playing a game of soft bowls and enjoying yoga in the sunshine. In PE we have been practicing for our sports day next week and look forward to welcoming you, weather permitting next Wednesday afternoon.

**YearSix:** The end of the summer term is fast approaching and with it lots of new learning and exciting things are happening for our Year 6 children. We have begun learning lines for our Summer performance of "Ali Baba and the Bongo Bandits" and hope you will be able to come and watch our performances. Our maths has taken us into studying functions machines and algebra, learning that letters and symbols can replace numbers. They then used this knowledge to solve algebraic equations – this has quickly become a favourite topic for the whole class! We also have been investigating how to make a year 6 super athlete by testing and timing for dexterity, agility, hand/eye coordination, speed and strength. Our topic of Champions has been weaving through our literacy. All children have picked a Welsh champion, researched their life and written a biography detailing their childhood, career, achievements and influences. This week they have used that knowledge to write a newspaper report on an event in their champions life. For science and technology we have been investigating the effect of regular exercise on the time it takes our heart rate to recover, analysing the results and graphing the data using line graphs and bar charts. Year 6 have also learned how to create formulas to use in a spreadsheet using cell references and identify that changing inputs will change the output of the calculation. Forest school has been the focus for expressive arts, where the children made their own instruments from natural resources and used them to create rhythms. We have been busy practising for sports day next week – weather permitting! - and look forward to seeing you all there. Many thanks for your continued support.



**PONTYPOOL + DISTRICT SCHOOLS R.F.U. JUNIOR GROUP**  
SEASON 2023/24  
**WANTED**

All boys/girls in years five & six from September 2022 in the Primary Schools in the Pontypool District: - Griffithstown, New Inn, Penygarth, Wainfein, Pontymoile, Aberysthau, Talywain Pontnewynydd, Pentwyn, Gardiffaith, Blasenavon, Cwmbran, Abergavenny, Gilwern, Raglan, Usk, Monmouth.  
**EARLY SKILL SESSIONS/TRAINING WEDNESDAY 21<sup>ST</sup> OF JUNE 2023 COMMENCING 4.45PM FOR A 5 PM START NEW PANTEG RFC**

Play Rugby Football for the Pontypool Schools District Team on Saturday mornings.

**At New Panteg RFC New Inn, Pontypool**

Skill sessions to commence Wednesday 21st June 2023. Followed by Saturday 24<sup>th</sup> June, Wed 28<sup>th</sup> June, July 1<sup>st</sup>, 5<sup>th</sup>, 8<sup>th</sup>, 12<sup>th</sup>, 15<sup>th</sup>, 19<sup>th</sup>, 22<sup>nd</sup>, 26<sup>th</sup>, 29<sup>th</sup>.

Wednesday 30<sup>th</sup> August, Saturday the 2<sup>nd</sup> of September, Monday 4<sup>th</sup> Wednesday 6<sup>th</sup> September, Saturday the 9<sup>th</sup> of September, Monday 11<sup>th</sup> September, Wednesday 13<sup>th</sup> September, Saturday 16<sup>th</sup>, Monday 18<sup>th</sup>, Wednesday 20<sup>th</sup>; Saturday 24<sup>th</sup>, Monday 25<sup>th</sup> September Wednesday 27<sup>th</sup> Sat 30<sup>th</sup>.  
Midweek skill sessions to commence 4.45pm for 5pm start, Saturday sessions 9.45am for 10am start.

**First games late September early October.**

**WRU Coaches and Qualified Teachers in Attendance.**

If you think you can compete against the best District school teams in Wales, come and join us!

Regular fixtures throughout the season

D.C. Thomas Cup/Plate Competition, + W.S.R.U. Junior Group 7 a side competition.

**Season 2010/11**

Finalist D C Thomas Cup 2011, (Millennium Stadium), Winners Paese Venice RFC under 12 Tournament.

**Season 2011/12**

Finalist D C Thomas Cup 2012, (Millennium Stadium), Winners Paese Venice RFC under 12 tournament, second year in succession,

**Season 2014/2015**

Finalist D C Thomas Plate Competition, 2015 Winners Paese Venice RFC under 12 Tournament.

**Season 2015/16**

Winners Paese Venice RFC under 12 Tournament.

**Season 2016/17** Winners D C Thomas Plate Competition, Winners Paese Venice under 12 Tournament third year in succession.

**Season 2017/18** Winners D C Thomas Cup, Winners Paese Venice under 12 Tournament 4<sup>th</sup> year in succession.

**Season 2018/19** Finalist D C Thomas Cup, **Season 2019/20** Finalist D C Thomas Cup

**Season 2021/22** Winners D C Thomas Cup, Winners Paese Venice RFC under 12 Tournament.

**Season 2022/23** Winner Paese Venice RFC under 12 Tournament.

**TOUR TO ITALY PLANNED MAY 2024**

Represent the Pontypool and District Schools and gain your own Pooler Cap.

Play Rugby – Have fun, make friends, you will love it!!!

Look forward to seeing you.

The Pontypool and District Schools are once again grateful to the support they receive from the following clubs within their district i.e.: Monmouth, Abergavenny, Usk, Talywain, Pontypool United, New Panteg, Cwmbran, Croesyceiliog, Gŵrling's, Blasenavon, Gardiffaith, and Pontypool RFC.

**PLEASE ALSO ENSURE THAT YOUR SON/DAUGHTER BRINGS THEIR OWN WATER BOTTLE TO THE SKILL SESSIONS.**

For further information contact

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Ross Williams 01495760251 (H) 07710613215 (M) Chairman.

Or your Head teacher or teacher responsible for rugby.

**Colleague please would you display this notice on your school notice board.**

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**Arts Festival**

Are you 10 – 18? Would you like to try some new activities?

\*Poetry \* Sign Singing \* Dancing \* Visual Vernacular \*Art\*

Where? Wales, Millennium Centre, Bute Place, Cardiff Bay CF10 5AL

When? Friday 16th June 2023

What is involved? Experience Deaf Arts - try out three workshops hosted by Artists from across the UK



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