



Newsletter

Trellech Primary School

Nursery Building Works

Last week, saw the first site meeting with the assigned contractors, the Local Authority, Busy Bodies and ourselves regarding the building of a purpose built provision for our younger members of the community on the school site. It has been a long process in getting to this point and we look forward to Monday 20th May when the works commence. As shared via schoop, there will be some disruption during this time and access to the site will need to ensure the safety of all users at all times. It is intended that deliveries will be made either side of the start and end of the school where possible. It will be essential to ensure the entry and exit points as well as the lane opposite the designated parking spaces are kept clear at all times. In addition to this, [please can we once again remind all users of the school site to use the appropriate entry and exits.](#) Some users have unfortunately not been adhering to this and as a result causing danger to our pupils and other vehicles accessing the site including school transport. Unfortunately if this persists it will be necessary to close the school gates to all vehicles except school buses at the start and the end of the school day. Thank you for your cooperation in keeping our school community safe.

Cluster Eisteddfod

Llongyfarchiadau to the pupils who took part in our cluster Eisteddfod. 8 schools took part altogether and we are so proud of the children as they were fantastic ambassadors for Trellech. Great to have so many winning entries in the school. Dal a ti!



Fruit Tuck Shop

Fruit Tuck takes place each Friday. Lowenna, Sophia and Isabel have worked extremely hard to promote this initiative over the past week through posters, leading an assembly on the importance of a healthy snack. Items of fruit for sale at 30p each include apples, oranges, pears and bananas.

Progress toward ESTYN recommendations

Following our Estyn Inspection in October and the published report in December 2023. We have been addressing our recommendations. We have utilised external colleagues to support our development areas. Mr Green met with our colleagues from the LLC, Welsh Second Language team to ensure our actions in this area were aligned to our action plan. Continued development in this area in collaboration of Criw Cymraeg, as well as pedagogical approaches and Professional learning maintains continual growth in this area.

In addition to this, Mrs Maunder met with Sue Jones (EAS Numeracy Team) to align our current provision to that of future developments.. We look forward to welcoming Sue back later in the term to align our curriculum mapping with the inclusion of cross curricular numerical opportunities. Miss Powell will spend time with Sean Powell, who supported the delivery of our Digital Cluster Project to monitor progress in this area as well as deliver Professional Learning for all staff in utilising the digital skills toolkit.

As we continue through the final term of our academic year, we focus on identifying our priorities for the forthcoming year, this will enable to ensure clear and specific targets for school improvement.

Authentic Learning: Expressive Arts

We were delighted to welcome Mr North who came to share his wealth of knowledge and experience of film and digital media with us. Dosbarth 4, 5 ac 6 were extremely lucky to hear all about the different job roles that are required to produce a programme. Diolch for giving us an inside look into the making of BBC's 'The Famous Five'. We learnt about how the script turns into what we see on T.V and all the tips and tricks involved.



Summer Term 2023

- Mon 20th May:** Parent Sharing Day
- Weds 22nd May:** New Rec Parent Meeting - 9.30am
- Weds 22nd May:** Y1 Sharing Session– 2.15pm
- Weds 22nd & Thurs 23rd May:** Parent Consultations
- Thurs 6th June:** Y6 Sharing Session
- Fri 7th June:** PTFA Trellech’s Got Talent
- Tues 11th June:** Rec, Y1 & Y2 Sports Day
- Weds 12th June:** Y3-Y6 Sports Day
- Tues 18th June:** Reserve Rec, Y1 & Y2 Sports Day
- Weds 19th June:** Reserve Y3-Y6 Sports Day
- Fri 28th June:** INSET– School Closed to Pupils
- Weds 3rd July:** Y5 Family Sharing Session
- Tues 9th July:** Y2 Family Sharing Session
- Weds 10th July:** Oaks (Y4/5/6) Summer Production 1.30pm
- Thurs 11th July:** Y4 Family Sharing Session
- Thurs 11th July:** Oaks (Y4/5/6) Summer Production 6pm
- Tues 16th July:** Y3 Family Sharing Session
- Weds 17th July:** Rec Family Sharing Session
- Fri 19th July:** Leavers Assembly 9.30am

Sailing Success



Congratulations to Amelia who came to 3rd overall in the Dragons series general handicap, sailing a Feva.

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Class & Group Photographs

On Thursday 23rd May, Colorfoto will be attending school to take Class Photographs.



New School Meal Menu from 3rd June 2024

		MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY
AVAILABLE DAILY BREAD AND FRESH FRUIT JACKET POTATOES WITH VARIOUS TOPPING SALAD BAR	WEEK 1	Fish Fingers, Salmon Fingers or Country Bake (V) Oven Baked Potato Wedges Garden Peas Cucumber Stick Carrot Cake	Tomato Pasta Bake with Chicken or Quorn (V) Garlic Bread Puff Pastry Summer Berry Sponge + Custard	Roast Turkey or Cauliflower + Broccoli Bake (V) Yorkshire Pudding Roast + Baked Potatoes Carrots + Green Beans Gravy Fresh Fruit + Yoghurt or Cheese + Crackers	Meatballs or Plantballs (V) Tomato Sauce Pasta Broccoli Chocolate Sponge Cake	Cheese + Tomato Pizza (V) or Vegetable + Cheddar Frittata (V) Oven Baked Chips Sneakers Garden Side Salad Blueberry Muffin
	WEEK 2	Min + Cheese (V) or Tomato Pasta Bake (V) Crusty Bread Sneakers Apple Cake	Battered Fish, Salmon Fillet or Cheese + Onion Quiche (V) Oven Baked Chips Puff Pastry + Cucumber Pineapple Upside Down Cake + Custard	Roast Beef or Quorn Pie (V) Yorkshire Pudding Roast + Baked Potatoes Swede Mash + Carrots Gravy Fresh Fruit Salad + Yoghurt or Cheese + Crackers	Beef or Vegetarian Bolognaise Pasta Garlic Bread Broccoli Rich Chocolate Cake	Chicken or Vegetarian Korma Steamer Rice Nash Bread Garden Peas Oat Cookie
	WEEK 3	Fish Fingers, Salmon Fingers or Country Bake (V) Mashed Potatoes or Pasta Puff Pastry Shortbread Biscuit	BBO Chicken or BBQ Quorn (V) Tortilla Wrap Noodles Broccoli Apple Cumble + Custard	Pork or Gammon Stewage (V) Yorkshire Pudding Roast + Baked Potatoes Carrots + Green Beans Gravy Fresh Fruit + Yoghurt or Cheese + Crackers	Beef or Vegetarian Lasagne Garlic Bread Sneakers Cherry Flapjack + a Glass of Milk	Cheese + Tomato Pizza (V) or Baked Veg Pizza (V) Oven Baked Chips Garden Peas Crusty Veg Slice Chocolate Orange Cake



THE ARTS SOCIETY MONMOUTHSHIRE

announces

An Inter-Schools Photographic Competition

for all primary school pupils in Monmouthshire

on the theme of

“Your Local Environment”

Entries are required by 31st May 2024

for professional judging

There are three age categories

A: Years 3 & 4

B: Year 5

C: Year 6

Cash prizes will be awarded for the best entries across Monmouthshire in each category

1st Prize £25

2nd Prize £15

3rd Prize £10

Winning entries will be printed, mounted and displayed at venues in Monmouthshire.

This will be accompanied by an online exhibition of work on our website.

Photographs are to be the work of the named pupil and in JPEG format with a minimum of 2000 pixels - preferably 4690 pixels.

Dosbarth Reception

We have been continuing to get stuck into our summer term topic of 'Serenau Bach' (little stars). We have been thinking about the boy in our story 'How to catch a star' in terms of how he is feeling at different parts and who he could ask to help him. This has allowed us to think deeply about our own feelings and emotions and who we can turn to when we need support. The seagull in our story wasn't being a good friend to the boy, so it was also our job to help seagull understand what he could do to be one. Miss Light and Miss Ward have been blown away with how quickly the children have been able to learn 'twinkle twinkle little star' on the xylophone this week. We are looking forward to hopefully performing the final piece very soon. We have continued to build our skills and knowledge in woodwork too. We have been learning how to secure an object onto a piece of wood using a pinhead nail and claw hammer. At forest school, we enjoyed collaborating to create our own forest school bands out of natural materials and using tambourines. We have continued to explore the work of Vincent Van Gogh's 'Starry night' piece by exploring the techniques that he used to create it. From this, we have now started the process of creating our own take on the famous piece using the techniques and skills. I still can't quite believe that there's one week left of the first part of our summer term. The weeks are flying and it's making us even more appreciative of the time we have left together as a class. I can't wait to see the children flourish even more in our final half term. Have a lovely weekend all!

Dosbarth 1

What a lovely two weeks we have had in Year 1. We have been preparing for our performance with great enthusiasm, singing, reciting and completing our artistic creations based on our reflection topic. We have extended our activities to Forest School where we spent a lovely afternoon teaming up with our friends to create instruments adapted from natural resources and creating and performing their own musical compilations. It has been lovely to observe the children enjoying themselves and gaining confidence in their expressive cultures. Have a lovely weekend all.



Dosbarth 2

It has been great to see the sun during the last fortnight and the pupils have enjoyed their learning activities outside. They have been able to estimate the weight of household products as well as other objects and weigh them. On the theme of maths outdoors they have also used the kitchen and shop to buy things and calculate change. Pupils have also looked for objects that are transparent, translucent and opaque around the school. This is linked with our science lessons on light and sound. The children have written recounts based on their Brookes Dairy Farm trip and planned their own alternative fairy story based on the work of John Scieszka. Mrs Llewellyn and I have been really impressed with the concentration of pupils during their expressive arts. They have studied two Welsh artists and created their own pieces of work in the style of their chosen piece of art. Pupils have once again loved their Commando Joe mission. They had to transport the giant's treasure in a team from the castle and down the beanstalk without dropping any.



Dosbarth 3

Over the last couple of weeks, we have enjoyed the sunshine and being able to take our learning outside. In Maths we have been recognising and identifying angles, which we started by going on an angle hunt in the school grounds. We then completed a carousel of activities, including sorting and classifying shapes by their angles, and using directional and angle vocabulary to code our way through a maze. Our Literacy work – linked to our topic The Greatest Show – has seen us building up to writing a continuation of the story Leon and the Place Between. We have focussed on using fronted adverbials to describe how, when and where something is happening so that we can open our sentences in exciting ways. We have also explored how we can build a setting description using our senses to make the reader feel as if they are really there, as well as thinking about how we can use exciting vocabulary and add extra detail to uplevel our sentences. We have been using past tense language patterns in Welsh – Es i, Ces i and Gwelais i – to talk about somewhere we have been, and lots of us have extended our skills further to talk about who we went with and how we got there. In Humanities, we researched to find out about the showman P.T. Barnum, and have started to explore what life in Britain was like at this time (during the Victorian Era). We are looking forward to learning more about how life for the Victorians was different to today! This week we have enjoyed using the micro:bits once again, this time writing a code to play Rock, Paper, Scissors – we had a great time challenging others in the class to find the champion – and also debugging and problem solving if it did not work correctly first time. In P.E. we have been working on our throwing and catching to develop our striking and fielding skills.



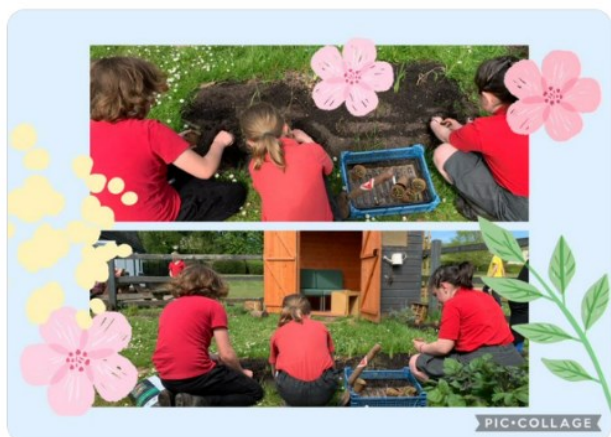
Dosbarth 4

It's so lovely to have some sunshine at long last. The walk to the forest is so much more enjoyable in the sunshine, however I think the children enjoy the walk in the rain!! We have made a start on researching music and fashion throughout the 40's. We then continued into the 60's. It has been so lovely and interesting to see how seriously some of you have gathered information from home. In Literacy/Expressive Arts, we have been listening to different types of music and thinking about how it makes us feel. When we see the video, we analyse how the story fits with the music. We have made a start on persuasive texts and identifying the language and text features of a balanced argument. At Forest School, we identified the various hedges passed along the way. There were some very interesting conversations about the wildlife that rely on nature's heroes together with environmental advantages. We have made a start on designing and making our protest banners; together with making flower sculptures in the style of the Artist Marisol Escobar. It's amazing what you can create with a bit of cardboard and kitchen roll holders! We have completed a couple of lessons to identify what a micro:bit is and how we can program it to complete various tasks. The children enjoyed making a beating heart, creating emotion faces; and then had lots of fun experimenting with the different components. Our Spanish Project is going well, and we are now on to the fairy tale itself-we will be sorting the script in the next week or two so that the children can start to learn their part and will communicate costume ideas soon too. Please can you ensure your child has a waterproof coat in school. Every day we go outside even when it's raining. Thank you for your support.



Dosbarth 5

This fortnight we have enjoyed some sunshine, we have been learning to serve in tennis and improving our passing of the ball in rugby. During forest school we took photographs and used techniques including experimenting with angle to improve^{ss} our photos we also looked at subject, considered lighting, composition and edited our pictures. In literacy we have been planning stories based on author William Shakespeare and have been writing introductions using the slow writing technique. In maths we have been extending our knowledge of decimals adding and subtracting decimals with different numbers of decimal places, multiplying and dividing decimals by 10, 100 and 1000 as well as sequencing decimals. We welcomed Mr North to share with us his fascinating job leading the arts department and his involvement in the making of CBBC show 'The Famous Five'. We learnt about how the script turns into what we see on T.V and all the tips and tricks involved, we were surprised at the short amount of time the preparation and filming takes and how large the budgets are. Mr North explained how every day is different and taught us all the different job roles involved in film and digital media giving us food for thought with our future career options. We have learnt about the family in Italian, naming family members as well as beginning to learn how to name different food groups, we enjoy learning using the activities online, ask us which family members we can name. We wrote about ourselves in Welsh using the language patterns we rehearse and practice day to day throughout the school. We also included extensions and uplevelled vocabulary to improve our writing and assessed against a success criteria. This week we learnt vocabulary linked to recycling through a rap, we then created our own sentences, linked them together to write raps and then began practicing them, we will continue to practice and record next week. As part of our relationships learning in HWB we have been looking at online groups, communities and social media, the children have been considering their rights and responsibilities when being online as well as how to stay safe online. Please if you have any old magazines, we would love to help recycle and repurpose them, we are working on pictures, paintings and photography and they will help us with our planning and creating. Playmakers next Friday, the children will need to order or bring a packed lunch, water bottle and suitable clothing as well as a coat, we look forward to working with the other Year 5 children from the cluster of Monmouth schools. Diolch for your continued support, we look forward to seeing you next week at parents evening.



Dosbarth 6

Our topic of Lights, Camera, Action is now in full swing and it has been lovely to take our learning outdoors in the sunshine, even if only for a short time. We were so fortunate to have Mr North take to years 4, 5 and 6 about his role in the production of the CBBC adaptation of The Famous Five. The children were staggered by the time, effort and cost to produce just a few short minutes of one episode and were thrilled to hear lots of the tips and tricks that make it happen. For our own expressive arts, the children have begun experimenting with animation, exploring the difference frames per seconds make and the effect of lighting. We were lucky to have our link governor, Mrs Jones, join us for the afternoon whilst they wrote their own story boards in readiness for making clay figures and recording their own animations. Our numeracy has focussed on algebra, how we can substitute letters for numbers and why we need algebra in our everyday life. They have all worked incredibly hard at this and are now much more confident. For science we have been studying how light travels and how we can see things even though they are not a light source. To practise this skill, the class made periscopes, being able to explain how we can see over the top of walls because of light travelling in a straight line. In health and wellbeing, year 6 have been creating their own version of the Haka, exploring different emotions through dance, learning how to complete the triple jump and how to throw a discus – a very active week for us. Using our new ICT equipment of micro bits, year 6 are engaging with the CBBC national playground survey. Using the micro-bits, they will collect varying types of data and upload their results to the CBBC website, thereby taking part in a pioneering investigation on a national scale. This week they created a map of the playground to help them with their data collection. Auditions have now taken place for our end of year production and parts allocated – it won't be long before rehearsal begins!



CAMHS ONLINE WELLBEING WORKSHOPS

28th – 30th May 2024

CAMHS will be running a range of workshops on MS Teams in May Half Term 2024 for young people in **year 6 & above**, and their families across Gwent.

Please use the booking form/QR code below and make sure to book on at least 24 hours before the session.

Parents are welcome to attend with their young person, but we will not be able to answer any individual CAMHS queries during the workshop time.

UNDERSTANDING ANXIETY & WORRY

This workshop explores what anxiety is and sharing strategies to manage feelings of anxiety in a positive way

Tuesday 28th May 2024
11:00am – 1:00pm

UNDERSTANDING EMOTIONS

This workshop explores feelings and emotions while offering new ways to regulate our emotions.

Wednesday 29th May 2024
11:00am – 1:00pm

5 WAYS TO WELLBEING

This workshop shares tips and ideas on easy ways that you can actively improve your own well-being

Thursday 30th May 2024
11:00am – 1:00pm

BOOKING INFORMATION

To register for one of the listed sessions, follow the Microsoft Forms link or scan the QR code:

<https://forms.office.com/e/BABqzt2mVb>



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Chwarae clai Clay Play

Gwnewch eich teilsen glai ganoloesol eich hun yn amgueddfa Neuadd y Sir

Make your own medieval clay tile at the Shire Hall museum

Gweithgaredd crefft AM DDIM

FREE craft activity

28 /05 /2024 11am – 2pm

**Galwch heibio, dim angen archebu.
Rhaid i blant fod yng nghwmni oedolyn.**

**Drop in, no booking required. Children
must be accompanied by an adult.**

