



## Trellech Primary School

### Curriculum Journey

Last Friday, saw all staff collaborate and further enhance our curriculum offer here in Trellech. The time enabled great professional dialogue linked to the principles of progression aligned to the areas of learning and experience. The professional learning enabled all staff, including those joining us in September to continue develop our offer for our pupils. I would like to take this opportunity to thank those of you who took the time to help us review this by completing our curriculum questionnaire, the wider school community has a valuable contribution to such ongoing development.

### Cluster STEM Project

The Local Authority has received significant investment from Welsh Government to support the development of STEM skills across schools. As such, the school has been provided with resources to support and enhance our digital learning offer, with a particular focus on computational thinking and design thinking and engineering. The roll out for the project began last week when Mrs Maunder attended the 3D printer professional learning day at MCS with colleagues from across the authority. She then returned with a 3D printer for the school which is the first delivery of resources as part of the project. This will be followed shortly by a delivery of Lego Spike Kits before the end of term. The forthcoming year will progress with PL and designated INSET for staff aligned to this exciting project and delivery of resources .

### Transition Day

It was a delight to welcome new pupils to Trellech on Wednesday for our transition day. Miss Light has a wonderful day welcoming our new reception pupils to Trellech as they begin their learning journey here in Trellech and is looking forward to seeing them again in September! In addition, we welcomed some new pupils across the year groups as well as Mrs Maguire and Miss Smith; as all pupils visited their new classes and teachers. A wonderful day was had by all! Our Year Six pupils who moving to MCS also had the opportunity to visit their new setting as they prepare to move to Year Seven. They had an opportunity to meet the staff, explore the building and meet new friends!



### Monmouth Carnival

Last weekend saw Monmouth Carnival take place and we once again took the opportunity to enter some of our pupils fabulous work. We are delighted to share that their work was once again recognised with many children receiving prizes for their efforts. Congratulations to all our pupils for their wonderful work. We look forward to showcasing some of our work at Chepstow and Monmouth Show's over the summer break. Please find attached the homecraft schedule for Monmouth Show for some activities to complete at home: [Home & Garden Schedule](#) | [Monmouthshire Show](#)

### Digital Leaders

This week saw some of our Digital Leaders join our Governing Body meeting to share the work they have been completing in their role. Alfred, Hector and Toby presented and answered questions with confidence with the support of Mrs Sulway— diolch yn fawr to you all. It is always a pleasure to have our pupils join our governors and we look forward to this continuing in the forthcoming academic year.

### Thank you to the PTFA

We have been very fortunate to have been gifted by our wonderful PTFA an outdoor table tennis table. The pupils have thoroughly enjoyed this additional resource at break and lunchtimes. We are also grateful for such additional items that enhance the children's time in school. Your continued support given to PTFA events enable such purchases to be made, for which we are extremely grateful for— Diolch yn fawr iawn! In addition to this a special thanks to Rosie M and Amelia C's parents who helped carry the delivery for us and Mr Price for putting it together! Our PTFA is always looking for new volunteers and in the new academic year will have some vacancies on the committee. Without members the PTFA cannot continue and our wonderful events and opportunities for additional investment would not happen....please take a moment to consider being part of a great team.



## Key Dates : 2024/ 2025

**Tues 8th July:** Y2 Visit Beacon Trigg Point (Trellech50)

**Weds 9th July:** Acorns (Rec/ Y1) visit to the beach (Trellech50)

**Weds 9th July:** Y3 Visit to Caerleon

**Weds 9th July:** Oaks (Y4,5,6) Showcase 1.30pm

**Thurs 10th July:** Oaks (Y4,5, 6) Showcase 6pm

**Fri 11th July:** PTFA Summer Fayre

**Mon 14th July:** Y6 Leavers Trip

**Fri 18th July:** Leavers Assembly 9.30am

**Mon 21st July:** **INSET Day** School Closed to Pupils

**Mon 21st July:** End of Academic Year.

## Key Dates: 2025/ 2026

**Mon 1st Sept:** New Academic Year Commences

**Mon 1st Sept:** **INSET Day** School Closed to Pupils

**Tues 2nd Sept:** Autumn Term Commences for Pupils

**Tues 16th Sept:** See How they Learn Session 1 (Rec Parents)

**Tues 23rd Sept:** See How they Learn Session 2 (Rec Parents)

**Tues 30th Sept:** See How they Learn Session 3 (Rec Parents)

**Weds 1st Oct:** Flu Spray Vaccination (Rec– Y6)

**Tues 7th Oct:** See How they Learn Session 4(Rec Parents)

**Thurs 9th Oct:** Colorfoto Individual & Sibling Photographs

**Fri 24th Oct:** **Cluster INSET Day** School Closed to Pupils

**Fri 24th Oct:** End of Autumn Term 1

**Mon 3rd Nov:** Autumn Term 2 Commences

**Fri 19th Dec:** Whole School Christmas Show at The Savoy, Monmouth

**Fri 19th Dec:** End Of Autumn Term

**Mon 5th Jan:** Spring Term Commences

**Fri 13th Feb:** End of Spring Term 1

**Mon 23rd Feb:** Spring Term 2 Commences

**Fri 27th Mar:** End of Spring Term

**Mon 13th April:** Summer Term Commences

**Fri 1st May:** **Cluster INSET Day** School Closed to Pupils

**Weds 21st May:** Colorfoto Class Photos

**Fri 23rd May:** End of Summer Term 1

**Mon 1st June:** Summer Term Two Commences

**Mon 6th– Weds 8th July:** Y6 Residential to Gilwern

**Mon 20th July:** **INSET Day** School Closed to Pupils

**Mon 20th July:** End Of Academic Year

## Gwent Music

From September colleagues from Gwent Music will once again offer music tuition here in school. For further information and to make a booking for pupils please contact Gwent Music via: <https://www.gwentmusic.co.uk/learn-to-sing-or-play-an-instrument/>

## Uniform and PE Kits (Reminder)

During staff reviews of our curriculum offers, the current arrangements with regard PE Kits has been discussed. Currently, pupils from Y3 upwards wear PE Kits to school on the designated day. This should be a PE T-shirt (green, red or yellow) with PE shorts (suitable length) or tracksuit trousers/ full length leggings. We are noticing an increasing number of non– PE t-shirts being worn, which unfortunately doesn't promote the aimed sense of togetherness and equality for all. We would welcome your views on this current arrangement as we begin to prepare for the new academic year. Please take an opportunity to share your views in readiness for the new academic year: <https://forms.office.com/e/DQwC9K2BND>

**Please be reminded jewellery or toys should not be brought to school in case of damage or injury.**

## Governing Body

In the new academic year, several of our current Parent Governors term of office is coming to an end. We would encourage you to consider this important role in ensuring the continual improvement of Trellech School. If you wish to discuss the role further please do contact Mrs Peacock or one of our current Governors via the school office.

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## Dosbarth Reception

Prynhawn da, what an exciting fortnight we have had, and I can't quite believe there's only a fortnight left! Where has the year gone? The children have started looking at the book 'The day I met my shadow' which links nicely to our topic. The children have thought about the setting of the story and the emotions of the character at a certain point in the story. It was a great opportunity to recap over our learning about reflection of light and the reason why the child can see his shadow. The children understand that it is because the sun is shining on him. We have been looking at measuring our shadows and comparing the heights and distances of them. We have used cubes to measure them and will be using the pictures we have taken for next week's lessons to order them correctly in terms of shortest to tallest. The children also enjoyed 'Move Up Day' this week where they all became Year Ones for the day. The children had a lovely day, and it was great to hear all about it on their return to class. As the final fortnight approaches, a gentle reminder about our trip to Barry Island next week. Please refer to schoop regarding key information for this. As always, I hope you have a lovely weekend! Take care, Miss Light

## Dosbarth 1

Prynhawn da, we have had a very busy and productive fortnight. In literacy we have been writing character descriptions and this week we have even been planning and writing our own stories. Next week we will transfer our stories on to pages creating digital books! In maths we have been completing pictograms, graphs, working with symmetry to support our expressive arts. We have been using the Chromebook and using our knowledge of symmetry to design, explore and create logos inspired by Picasso. We printed them.

## Dosbarth 2

Prynhawn da, what a very busy fortnight once again. The weather has been very mixed but we have tried to use the outdoors as much as we can carefully. In literacy we have completed our non-chronological reports based on chosen animals and have begun planning an instruction text. In numeracy we have been measuring weight, ordering days and months and started to use column addition. We started the addition by using concrete objects to arrange tens and units; drawn them out and then recorded the numbers in their columns. We have been answering 'Oes.....da ti?' (Do you have?) questions in Welsh answering in the positive or negative. We have been learning about the journey of Moses in RVE. The pupils were able to recognise the many problems encountered for the Israelites whilst looking for the promised land. In woodwork we have been using a hammer and nails to spell out our initials and then we used wool to connect them to make the letters clearer. The children were so focussed and very careful!



### Dosbarth 3

Prynhawn da, what a fantastic fortnight it has been in class! In literacy, we've been delving into research using our ICT skills and the Britannica resource on the HWB. The children have shown great initiative in writing notes and creating sub-headings, all in preparation for their non-chronological reports about the Romans. In maths, we've been getting hands-on with 3D shapes and their properties. The class enjoyed sorting and classifying different shapes and creating their own out of straws! Their enthusiasm was wonderful to see. As part of our Roman topic, the children worked brilliantly as a team to create impressive 3D models of an underfloor heating system and a mosaic floor, showcasing their creativity and collaboration skills. In PE, the children have been honing their measuring and jumping skills while exploring the athletics topic, which has been both fun and engaging. Additionally, during our topic work, we're enhancing our ICT skills using Google Slides to present our non-chronological reports. The children have been personalising their presentations with text boxes, images, and creative colour changes for the font and background.



### Dosbarth 4

What a busy couple of weeks it has been! The children have been fully immersed in exciting learning experiences. In literacy, we've journeyed through the timeline of the remarkable aviator, Jacqueline Auriol. We explored her early life, family, education, aspirations, and notable achievements. Identifying direct and indirect speech was quite a challenge, but our learners rose to the occasion! They then applied their writing skills to create engaging biographies about her life. Over at Forest School, the children demonstrated their creativity by crafting various designs using natural materials in the style of the artist James Brunt. In science, we examined how we measure sound, discovering how decibels fluctuate throughout the day. We also embarked on an exciting project to design and make festival headphones, prompting discussions around materials and construction techniques. We might even need to learn some sewing skills! In PE, the children worked in small groups to incorporate their unique dance phrases, illustrating impressive creativity, teamwork, and performance skills. Move Up Day was a success, and excitement buzzed as the children met their new teacher for the next school year.

Just a quick reminder: can the children please bring their outfits for the Year 6 end-of-year production (white t-shirts and jeans) by Monday, 7th July? And mark your calendars for the Spanish performance on Wednesday, 16th July at 2:30 pm, together with them show casing their headphones. We'd love to see you there! Please note, the consent for the trip to the Comprehensive on the Thursday 17<sup>th</sup> is now on Parent Pay. Thank you for your support.

#### Dosbarth 4



#### Dosbarth 5

It has been an action-packed fortnight for our year! In literacy, the children have been busy writing non-chronological reports about automatons, drawing inspiration from our novel "Cogheart". It has been fascinating to observe their engagement as they explore the journey of how automatons were first designed and their imaginative ideas for the future. Our playground projects have now entered production, with plenty of measuring, sawing, and gluing of wood as we turn our 3D scaled models into reality. The teamwork displayed has been truly inspiring, and we can't wait to share pictures once they are complete! In literacy this week, the students have embarked on writing presentations to the council, discussing why the playground in Trellech needs updating and presenting their suggestions. It's a wonderful opportunity for them to voice their opinions and advocate for their community. Despite the heat, we have persevered with our PE sessions, diligently building our skills in tennis and athletics, showcasing resilience and commitment. Additionally, in Welsh, we have been focusing on language patterns to express what we like and dislike, conducting a class survey and analysing the results—a great way to enhance our language skills! Lastly, we have enjoyed 'Move Up Day'. While it is a little different for us this year since we are staying together, it has provided a wonderful time to reflect on our achievements and discuss our aspirations for Year 6, all while enjoying a few games for good measure! Thank you for your ongoing support.



## Dosbarth 6

Prynhawr da, what a remarkable two weeks we have had in Dosbarth 6! The children have been diligently developing their leavers' poems, and it has been truly rewarding to witness them utilising prior learning in such a creative way. In addition to this, we conducted an engaging science experiment involving magnets and paperclips, which sparked fabulous curiosity among the children as they explored the principles of magnetism. Furthermore, we recently celebrated our final Forest School session, which provided a delightful conclusion to our adventures in the outdoors. During this session, we played memorable games and took the opportunity to reminisce about our time spent in the forest. We are also continuing to rehearse for the forthcoming play, and I am immensely proud of each child's progress and dedication. Their enthusiasm and commitment to our productions have been commendable. As we approach the remaining two weeks of the Summer Term, I am excited for what is yet to come and look forward to creating lasting memories with the children. Thank you for your continued support during this wonderful journey.



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 **TRELLECH  
PTFA**

**COME & JOIN US FOR OUR  
SUMMER  
FAIR**

**FRIDAY JULY  
11TH**

**3.30PM-5.30PM**

**FREE ENTRY**

*Events*

- Jitterbugs Circus skills free for all
- Obstacle course & inflatable slide - £2
- Facepainting, face gems, penalty shootout & test your strength - £1
- Brooke's Ice Cream - £2.50
- Horsebox Wood-fired Pizza from £10
- Refreshments & cakes

*Let's eat  
CAKE!*

**TRELLECH  
BAKE OFF**

**FRIDAY 11<sup>TH</sup> JULY**

PLEASE BRING YOUR CAKES TO SCHOOL ON FRIDAY MORNING WITH YOUR NAME & YEAR GROUP ON YOUR ENTRY.  
PLEASE NO NUTS OR SEEDS.

JOIN US FOR A GREAT TRELLECH BAKE OFF!  
PRIZES WILL BE AWARDED TO TASTIEST CAKES FROM SAPLING ACORNS, OAKS & TEACHERS/PARENTS.  
ENTRY CAKES WILL THEN BE SOLD AT THE SUMMER FAIR.

## IMPORTANT DATES RELATING TO YOUR CHILD'S ADMISSION TO SCHOOL

### Primary School

Application Available  
13th November 2025

Closing date for applications:  
15th January 2026 at 4pm

Offer date:

16th April 2026

### Secondary School

Application Available  
19th September 2025

Closing date for applications:  
31st October 2025 at 4pm

Offer date:

2nd March 2026

Please ensure that you complete an application form on-line. If you are having difficulties using our on-line system please contact the School and Student Access Unit on 01633 644508 / [accesstolearning@monmouthshire.gov.uk](mailto:accesstolearning@monmouthshire.gov.uk) to discuss alternative options.

Please ensure that your completed application is submitted prior to the above closing dates. Failure to do so will disadvantage your child's application and increase the risk of them not obtaining a place at your preferred school.



For more information on the application process and the evidence that we require, please refer to '[Applying for a Primary/Secondary School Place](#)'

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### IMPORTANT SUMMER HOLIDAY ORDER INFORMATION

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## Open Day!



Invites you to visit our setting, explore our environment and chat to staff.

We have spaces available for children aged

2-4years from September 2025.

Date: 6<sup>th</sup> July 2025 Time: 11am-12.30pm

To book your visit please contact:

[BusyBodiesPlaygroupTrellech@gmail.com](mailto:BusyBodiesPlaygroupTrellech@gmail.com)

## Swim Safe at Llandegfedd Lake

45-minute outdoor swimming & water safety sessions for 7-14 year olds

FREE!

Friday 11 July  
Saturday 12 July  
Sunday 13 July  
Friday 25 July

## Swim Safe yn Llyn Llandegfedd

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Dydd Sadwrn 12 Gorff  
Dydd Sul 13 Gorff  
Dydd Gwener 25 Gorff

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