



Trellech Primary School Newsletter



Friday 6th March 2026

Eisteddfod Celebrations

This week, the school community came together to celebrate our annual Eisteddfod, showcasing a wide range of talents across singing, musical performances, recitals, dance, art, and creative writing. The event provided a wonderful opportunity for pupils to share their skills and take pride in their achievements.

We are pleased to announce the following results:

- Bardd of the Eisteddfod: Daisy (Year 5)
- Musician of the Eisteddfod: Maddison (Year 6)
- Winning House: Monnow

Llongyfarchiadau to all pupils for their contributions and enthusiasm, and to our winners for their exceptional accomplishments. Diolch yn fawr to you our parents and carers for your support in making the celebration such a success. The children looked ffantastig in their costumes and the homework entries that you supported your child/ children to complete were VERY difficult to judge! Diolch yn fawr!



Our Phrase of the Week (Wythnos) is:

Oes Brawd da fi? Do you have a brother?

Oes/ Nag oes.... ... Yes/ No....

Commitment to Welsh

The Welsh Language and Education (Wales) Act 2025 aims to make significant progress towards the 2050 target of one million Welsh speakers. It aims to strengthen the role of the Welsh language in education, with the overarching goal of ensuring that all pupils of maintained schools in Wales are

independent Welsh language users when they leave school. At Trellech, we firmly support this aspiration and continue to develop our provision for Welsh language, both in lessons and throughout the school day, ensuring our pupils hear Welsh and use it themselves as a natural part of their everyday life. We are working to develop our vision to meet this goal and are seeking your views. Please support us by completing the following using the link or QR Code:

[Creating a Vision for Welsh – Fill in form](#)



School Email Address

Please note the school email is: tre.primary@monmouthshireschools.wales

Emails to trellech.primary@monmouthshire.gov.uk will soon no longer be forwarded to new mail box.



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National Year of Reading

We were delighted to be invited to take part in an initiative led by colleagues at MCS to participate in a book sculpture competition that will be part of the initiative to promote enjoyment and participation of reading. Some of the wonderful entries will be displayed at Monmouth Library and we look forward to hearing if any of our entries will be recognised for their craft and uniqueness. A special diolch to you all for supporting your children with their entries and Mrs Miles for overseeing the arrangements for our participation.



World Book Day 2026

What a fantastic World Book Day we've had! The children looked wonderful—cosy, colourful, and ready to dive into their favourite stories. Throughout the day, pupils enjoyed a range of exciting activities, including creating a *whole-school story*, with every class contributing their own chapter.

The wooden spoon character designs were a real highlight; the creativity on display was incredible and made judging extremely difficult!

Huge Llongyfarchiadau to our winners: Ffion, Aurora, Electra, Rosie, Xenia, Pearl and Ester. Each winner received a book voucher kindly donated by our brilliant PTFA—diolch yn fawr for your support.

A magical day of reading, imagination, and creativity for everyone!

Diolch to the PTFA for running the Wonka Bar initiative once again, there is always great excitement to find the Golden Tickets! Thank you for the support for this once again.

Celebrating Our Maths and Numeracy Success

We are very proud to share that Mrs Maunder and Mrs Sulway were invited to present at the recent LA School Improvement Service Maths and Numeracy Leads Meeting.

Following our autumn term professional learning with the Maths Lead and the implementation of our whole-school numeracy projects, they were asked to showcase the fantastic initiatives our learners have taken part in. It was a wonderful opportunity to share Trellech's work with colleagues from across the region.

Parents of Year Five and Year Six will know just how impressive the outcomes have been—especially the work displayed in the art gallery, which beautifully demonstrated how mathematics can be applied in authentic, real-life learning experiences.

Diolch yn fawr to Mrs Maunder and Mrs Sulway for their dedication and inspiring leadership in maths and numeracy.

Trellech Hunger Busters – We Need Your Help!

Monmouth and District Foodbank are asking for our support to help local families in need.

Please send in any donations from the list below:

- Tinned potatoes
- Tinned meat
- UHT milk
- Jam
- Hand soap
- Shower gel
- Deodorant
- Dish cloths

Collections will take place in school on Friday 20th March 2026.



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Thank you for being a Hunger Hero, and diolch for your kindness and generosity.

during the end of the Spring Term, please do let us know by completing the following form

[World of Work – Fill in form](#)

Key Dates: 2025/ 2026

Tues 24th Mar: Saplings Easter Performance

Weds 25th Mar: Pupil Reports to Parents/ Carers

Fri 27th Mar: Y4/ Y5: Drumming Performance

Fri 27th Mar: Café Cynefin & Clean Green Shop: 2.30pm

Fri 27th Mar: End of Spring Term

Mon 13th April: Summer Term Commences

Mon 27th- Weds 29th April: Y5 Residential

Thurs 30th April: London Mini Marathon

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

Mon 4th May: May Bank Holiday

Tues 12th May: Parent Consultations

Weds 13th May: Parent Consultations

Thurs 21st May: Colorfoto Class Photos

Fri 22nd May: End of Summer Term 1

Mon 1st June: Summer Term Two Commences

Weds 3rd June: FP Sports Day- 1.30pm

Thurs 4th June: Y3-Y6 Sports Day 1.30pm

Weds 10th June Reserve FP Sports Day- 1.30pm

Thurs 11th June: Reserve Y3-Y6 Sports Day- 1.30pm

Tues 23rd June: Oaks Summer Performance- 1.30pm

Weds 24th June: Oaks Summer Performance- 6pm

Fri 26th June: INSET Day School Closed to Pupils

Weds 1st July: Move Up Day

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

Fri 17th July: Leavers Assembly: 9.30am

Fri 17th July: Last Day of Summer to Pupils

Mon 20th July: INSET Day School Closed to Pupils

Mon 20th July: End Of Academic Year

Fri 2nd Oct: INSET Day School Closed to Pupils

Calling all Trellech Hunger Busters!
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We will collect from your school on Friday 20th March 2026

Thank you for being a Hunger Hero!

Breakfast Club

Our Breakfast Club continues to be a valuable part of the start of our school day. With its increasing popularity we are near capacity for ratios currently. It is essential to book your child, unfortunately if your child has not booked into each session they wish to attend they will be **unable to attend**. Thank you for your support in advance.

Schools Essentials Grant

Even if your child already receives Universal Primary Free School Meals, check their eligibility for further help with school costs. For more information, visit gov.wales/get-help-school-costs

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Children from reception to year 6 are entitled to Universal Primary Free School Meals... and more help is available.

If eligible, your child in primary school could get:

- ✓ up to £200 for **School Essentials**
- ✓ **extra funding** for your school

The World of Work

As part of our curriculum we would like our pupils to learn about the world of work and jobs people currently have. If you are able to share your experience of your work with some of our children



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Class News

Dosbarth Derbyn

Croeso yn nol – Welcome back for the final half of Spring Term. I hope you all had a lovely break. The first two weeks of this half term have certainly been a busy one. In maths we have been learning the days of the week and sequencing them in the correct order. We also looked at what fruit the caterpillar ate on each day and how many. The children then enjoyed making fruit kebabs to explore patterns and sequence the fruit correctly. We have now moved on to measuring weight. Keeping with the theme of fruit, the children had to predict which is a fruit was heavier or lighter than the other.

They then had to mark if their prediction was correct based on the result. We also enjoyed our first Eisteddfod where we had been busy making daffodil art and writing our re-tells of the red and white dragon myth. A huge thank you for all the children's homework entries. They all looked great and it was a really difficult decision.

Now that our Welsh folk dancing has come to a close, we have started to look at football in P.E. The children have been working on stopping and passing the ball this week.

We have also started looking at the artist Monet and his 'water lilies' piece. The children inferred the piece of art and thought carefully about what they could see, how it made them feel and the colours he used. We're looking forward to creating our own pieces inspired by the art too. For now, I hope you have a wonderful weekend, and I look forward to seeing both you and the children on Monday. Take care, Miss Light

Dosbarth Dau

Croes yn ol (Welcome back) for a short half term. I hope you enjoyed Easter and were able to find time for yourselves.

We have been working hard on our eisteddfod entries in school and at home so diolch yn fawr am yr gwaith (thank you for the work). We have been creating art in the style of Martyn Evans; practising and performing our class song 'Mi welais jac y

do'; writing a retell about Megan and the baby dragon; using our neatest handwriting to write up a poem about Wales and making 3D dragons at home. Congratulations to everyone who took part; to the winners, runners up and those highly commended.

In numeracy we have been using sharing and our times tables to calculate the answers to division sums. Keep practising those tables! We have also been learning about compass points and finding places on physical and digital maps.

During Literacy we have been planning a non-chronological report on farming.

Welsh: Our monthly phrase is 'Oes...da ti?' Do you have a..?

Oes. Mae..da fi. Yes. I have a..

Nag oes. Does dim...da fi. No. I don't have a..



Dosbarth Tri

Welcome back to the Spring Term! We hope you all had a restful break and that the sunshine continues to brighten our days. It has been a wonderfully busy start to the term in Dosbarth Tri, filled with learning, creativity, and new experiences. The children have been working incredibly hard to create authentic free verse poems inspired by Trellech and Harold's Stones. Their imagination and descriptive language were fantastic to see, and it was extremely difficult to choose a winning entry for our school Eisteddfod—every poem was unique and thoughtful. In art, we explored the striking style of Welsh artist Kyffin Williams. The children produced wonderful landscape paintings using bold colours



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and textured brushstrokes. Their finished pieces are full of expression and reflect real attention to detail—da iawn pawb! Our maths focus this fortnight has been perimeter. We took our learning outdoors, measuring parts of the playground and calculating the perimeters of different shapes. The children practised converting between millimetres, centimetres, and metres, applying these skills confidently in practical activities. Our new Right of the Month is Article 7: “I have the right to a name and a nationality.” We discussed what our names mean to us and researched the origins and meanings behind them. The children found this both interesting and empowering, and it led to some lovely conversations about identity, family, and heritage. The Eisteddfod filled our school with music, poetry, art, and pride in Welsh culture—da iawn to everyone who took part. For World Book Day, the children enjoyed creating their own spoon characters inspired by their favourite stories and sharing lots of books and storytelling together. It was a lovely way to celebrate our love of reading.

Dosbarth Pedwar

What a lovely surprise to enjoy some sunshine at the beginning of spring! Year 4 have had a wonderfully busy and creative week, filled with learning, laughter, and memorable moments. In Literacy, the children have been crafting poems inspired by *mythical forest creatures*. We have been truly amazed by their imaginative ideas and their confident use of personification, similes, and expanded noun phrases to bring their poems to life. They also created detailed descriptions of their creatures—explaining how they move around the forest, what they do, and even giving them unique names. Their creativity has shone through every piece! Our work in Expressive Arts continues to be inspired by the whimsical style of Welsh artist Rhiannon Roberts. The children have been producing vibrant, magical paintings filled with colour and personality. These are already beginning to brighten up our classroom. In Numeracy, Year 4 have been busy collecting and analysing different types of data. They have created frequency tables, pie charts, pictograms, and block graphs, showing excellent understanding of how information can be represented visually. We've seen some incredibly

creative approaches—our display is becoming a colourful celebration of data. Our first Forest School session after half term was certainly a chilly one, but we were lucky to catch glimpses of sunshine peeking through the clouds. The children loved playing *Predators and Prey*, and after the first round, we saw some very impressive tactical thinking emerging. (And don't worry—we only managed to lose three children temporarily!) It has been a very special week with both Eisteddfod and World Book Day celebrations. The children looked fantastic on both days and threw themselves wholeheartedly into the activities. We are incredibly proud of all those who performed; we know how nervous you were, and you were *brilliant*. These are the memories that make school so special. (Whoops, forget to say we are loving our drumming lessons too). #proudtosupportnationalyearofreading

Thank you, as always, for your support.



Dosbarth Pump

Croeso, Year 5 have had a wonderfully busy and productive return to class after the half-term break, in maths the children explored data analysis by gathering their own outdoor data and interpreting rainfall information from across Wales, confidently calculating the mean and identifying key trends and patterns, in literacy they created beautiful free verse narrative poems inspired by the Welsh myth *The Fairy Harp*, each ensuring their work included four



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stanzas, four lines, and a range of poetic features, their descriptive language and creativity were truly impressive, as part of the Eisteddfod art competition the children produced striking charcoal sketches of Welsh castles, carefully using smudging techniques to create depth and shading, they also continued to develop their Welsh dance skills, performing brilliantly on Eisteddfod Day. Da iawn to all those who auditioned for and performed during the Eisteddfod, everyone was amazing and showcased their musical talents wonderfully.

In Forest School the class continued to practise knot-tying skills and worked collaboratively to build imaginative 3D sculptures, with some drawing inspiration from the Winter Olympics. We were also excited to begin our Taiko drumming sessions this fortnight, the children listened attentively to the Music teacher and followed the rhythms and patterns with great focus, creating wonderful musical pieces, I was amazed at how quickly they picked up the sequences, with some confidently choosing to lead the whole class by starting the patterns themselves and the rest of the children following.

The highlight of the fortnight was with a real-life learning experience making pancakes. The children measured ingredients, made pancake batter, and cooked their own pancakes, showcasing their growing independence and practical skills. It has certainly been a fantastic fortnight of creativity, teamwork, and hands-on learning.

Diolch yn fawr for your continued support.



Dosbarth Chewch

Welcome back to the second half of the term! As always, Year 6 has been busy and engaged in a variety of exciting learning activities. Congratulations to all the children for the effort they put into both school and home activities for the Eisteddfod. In Literacy, we have been working on devising new endings for the myth of Pwyll and Arawn as part of our entry for the Eisteddfod Bardd writing competition. The children have shown fantastic imagination and skill, creatively changing the twist of the story and providing fresh resolutions. They have thought carefully about their editing and drafting processes, producing multiple drafts to refine their ideas. This week, we are shifting our focus to a new book titled "What Mr Darwin Saw." This text allows us to explore evaluation from a personal perspective, reflecting on Darwin's experiences. The children will be creating diary entries as if they were Darwin himself, which should be a wonderful exercise in empathy and understanding. In Numeracy, we have investigated the area and perimeter of compound shapes and practised converting units of measurement. These skills will be vital as we prepare to design and make our bug hotels before Easter. During Forest School, the children used knot tying to create objects inspired by the Winter Olympics, including snowboards, skis, and even a toboggan! Additionally, we drew inspiration from the artist Gayle Rogers for our Eisteddfod artwork, recreating Trellech landmarks using her distinctive style of rounded shapes and oil pastels. The results have been outstanding! In Welsh, we have been learning about our local area and the people we live with. This knowledge has helped us create sentence patterns that describe our surroundings using a variety of connectives and explanations. World Book Day was a highlight, where we designed a library to scale using our area and perimeter skills and created new book covers for our favourite books using Canva. We also contributed to the whole school book titled "If Trellech Primary Could Talk... This Is What It Would Say!" incorporating openers, similes, and personification. Finally, we have begun evaluating existing bug hotels on the



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market and suggesting improvements, which will be invaluable for our own designs.

Thank you for your continued support!



Mitchel Troy Village Hall

Coffi Troddi's



Easter Eggstravaganza

Saturday, 21st March

10.30 'til Noon

Egg decoration & rolling competitions

Classes for children & adults

Boil & decorate your eggs in advance!!



Fun for all the family

With the usual spread of yummy cakes