



Trellech Primary School Newsletter



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Easter Performances

We ended the Spring Term with some superb performances by pupils across the school. Our Easter Celebration concert led by our learners in Saplings took us on a celebration of Easter around the world. This was followed by our pupils in Year Four and Five (Oaks) showcasing their Drumming following their six week workshops with our colleagues from Upbeat Wales. They impressed us with their skill development and powerful performance in such a short time. In addition to our actors and musicians; our choir performed to the school and during Café Cynefin to end the term- superb performances Diolch yn fawr to all our performers such achievements to large audiences.

PTFA Events

I am sure you will agree the recent events organised by our wonderful PTFA team were a great success. The Wonka Bar Golden Tickets caused great excitement- the lucky winners have had exciting days in their classes including non-uniform days, craft and film afternoons as well as extra break! The term ended with an exciting disco with a great DJ who certainly kept the children entertained. Thank you for your continued support and to our PTFA who work as a wonderful team to enable such events for all our learners.

Criw Cymraeg

Our Criw Cymraeg continue to work with great commitment in promoting use of the Welsh Language by playing yard games including 'Faint o'r gloch Mr/ Mrs Blaidd?' each break time. Diolch bawb.

We are proud to tell you about our hard work to promote Welsh and are awaiting verification of our Campus Cymraeg Arian Award in the Summer Term.

Llongifarchidau to Mrs Mile who was awarded the 'Athrawon yr Wythnos', this week.

Our Phrase of the Week (Wythnos) is:

Ble rwy t'in mynd? Where did you go?

Dw'in mynd..... I went to....

You too can learn Welsh at home! Here are some phrases:

Bore da – Good morning

Sut wyt ti? – How are you? (Should oi tea)

Parking Considerately – Being Good Neighbours

We would like to remind all parents and carers of the importance of parking considerately when dropping off and collecting children. We are part of a wider community, and it is important that we continue to be respectful of our neighbours at all times.

We have recently been contacted by local residents who are experiencing difficulties accessing their homes due to inconsiderate parking at busy times of the school day. Please ensure that driveways, entrances, pavements, and access routes are kept clear, and that parking is carried out safely and legally.

By working together and being mindful of our surroundings, we can help maintain positive relationships within our community and ensure everyone can come and go safely. Thank you for your cooperation and continued support.

Rotary Competition Success!

Our pupils in Year Three to Year Six recently entered the Rotary Monmouth Primary Schools Competition. With over 180 entries from across nine local schools we are very proud to share that Olwen (Y4) was the overall winner in Y3/ Y4 with Xenia (Y4) being runner up and Mollie (Y5) being the overall winner in the Y5/ Y6 category and Carys (Y6) being recognised as runner up. We are very proud to have been recognised with many pupils being awarded Highly Commended. Llongyfarchiadau to you all!

Expressive Arts: Signs of Spring!

Diolch to all our learners who took part in the EA Signs of Spring Challenge. Llongyfarchiadau to our winners:

Acorns: Indie (Dosbarth Derbyn)

Saplings: Poppy H (Dosbarth Tri)

Oaks: Evie G (Dosbarth Pump)



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Key Dates: 2025/ 2026

- 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
- Tues 2nd June:** New Reception Parent Meeting 9.30am
- 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

Academic Year 2026/ 2027

Tues 1st Sept: Academic Year Commences

Tues 1st Sept: INSET Day- School Closed to Pupils

Weds 2nd Sept: Autumn Term Commences for Pupils

Fri 2nd Oct: INSET Day School Closed to Pupils

Fri 23rd Oct: End Autumn Term One

Mon 2nd Nov: Autumn Term Two Commences

Fri 18th Dec: End of Autumn Term

Mon 4th Jan: Spring Term Commences

Fri 5th Feb: End of Spring Term One

Mon 15th Feb: Spring Term Two Commences

Fri 19th March: End of Spring Term

Mon 5th April: Summer Term Commences

Fri 28th May: End of Summer Term One

Mon 7th June: Summer Term Two Commences

Tues 20th July: End of Academic Year

Class News

Dosbarth Derbyn

Croeso i nol – Welcome back to the final term. I think I say it at the start of every term, but where has the time gone? I can't quite believe we're entering the final term of Reception. I hope you all had a wonderful break and took some time for yourselves, friends and family. Before the break, the children looked at the Easter story and did short re-tells to show their understanding of the key points. We also combined our digital learning with our understanding of making Welsh cakes to create a simple digital tutorial, including bossy verbs for the key steps. This week, we enjoyed a trip to forest school to discover some signs of Spring. We looked for birds, bluebells and lambs. The children worked collaboratively to record marks to show how many signs they could find and see. For health and well-being, we continued with our class story of the Bog Baby where the children linked the text to build an



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understanding of how their actions can impact others. We finished the week by completing our evaluations of our art pieces based on Monets piece - 'Water Lillies.' The children had to think about what they like about their piece of art along with anything they would change or do differently next time. We also collaborated to share feedback to our peers about their pieces. As always, have a great weekend and I look forward to welcoming both you and the children back on Monday. Take care, Miss Light

Dosbarth Un

Croeso yn ôl pawb! Welcome back everybody, I simply cannot believe we are already in our final term of the academic year! I hope that everyone has had a restful and wonderful Easter break in the intermittent sunshine!

Before Easter, we looked into the Easter story and all of the important events that happened and retold it in our own words, made some chocolate crispy cakes – I think they were a highlight for the children – and looked into patterns of numbers in our Maths topic.

This week, we are finishing off our reports all about the character of Bog Baby, something which the children are truly embracing and showing so much confidence with. We have also just started our own report all about the fabulous creature that is a frog! The children are allowed creative freedom over this and can combine all the wonderful facts that we have learnt across this past term into one huge project. Already through discussions, they are showing that they are frog experts! In Maths, we have been having a recap week and looking at money. The children have gone shopping in our own mini market and have been helping me with getting some of my essentials and trying to match what coins they will need to pay for them. This has really challenged them to recall some of their knowledge gained before Christmas and to see if they can correct add to the amount! In Health and Wellbeing, we investigated Article 24 – The right to clean water, food and medical care. This led to a rather mature conversation around why not everyone in the world has access to this and they really understood why it is important that we all have

this. I was blown away by this! Diolch yn fawr for all your continued support! Miss Smith

Dosbarth Dau

Welcome back for our final term in Year Two. I can't believe how fast this year has gone. Firstly, I hope everyone had a great Easter break despite the hit and miss weather.

This week we have revised using commas for lists and have been creating character descriptions based on fairy tale characters. The pupils justified descriptions by using text from the story. In Welsh we have been extending answers to the question Ble rwy'tt'in mynd? Where are you going? Pupils have answered confidently including the location, day and who with.

In numeracy pupils have been adding two-digit numbers together using number lines, by breaking down numbers practically into tens and units and have been increasing their skills at adding mentally.

This week we have been finishing off our Farm to Fork topic by creating a poster on the benefits of shopping locally and inputting mileage travelled by fairtrade goods on to a bar chart.



Dosbarth Tri

Croeso! I hope you all had a lovely Easter break and that the children are feeling refreshed and recharged for the summer term. I can't believe we are already here! Over the next few weeks, we will be finishing our topic *Creatures Great and Small* before moving on to our exciting new topic, *The Greatest Show* – watch this space.

In Literacy this week, we have read *The Water Princess*, based on the childhood of supermodel Georgie Badiel and her walk for water, linking closely to our new Right of the Month, Article 24: the right to clean water. The children have been working towards retelling the story, focusing on the correct use of commas, paragraphing and a range of



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sentence openers. Alongside this, they have also been writing character descriptions inspired by the book, using expanded vocabulary to describe thoughts, feelings and actions.

In Mathematics, the children have been introduced to statistics and have been analysing and interpreting real-life data linked to deforestation, answering questions based on the data presented.

During PE, the children have been putting their skills into practice through hockey games, and in Expressive Arts and Design they have been sketching different animals, with a focus on patterns and symmetry.

Dosbarth Pedwar

We hope you had a lovely Easter and managed to enjoy some quality family time together. Welcome back to a new term – we have lots of exciting learning planned for the weeks ahead! In Literacy, the children have been identifying the language and text features of an explanation text. This learning will support them as they prepare to write an exciting piece titled *How Monkeys Play a Vital Role in the Making of Chocolate*. The children had great fun using drama to explore how different animals help the cacao tree to grow. It was a pleasure to see their confidence building as they responded creatively, worked collaboratively, and developed their teamwork and critical thinking skills. In Numeracy, we have been focusing on estimating, choosing appropriate units, and accurately measuring weight and mass using metric units. The children completed a range of practical activities to support this learning, including designing and making a box to hold 100g of sweets. This hands-on task really helped to bring learning to life and encouraged problem-solving. We also made drinking chocolate, just as the Aztec civilisation did. The children ground cacao nibs into a powder and mixed it with hot water to experience chocolate in its purest form. It was a delight to see the expressions on the children's faces as they tasted it. (It tastes really bitter!). An experience that really brought history to life. In Health and Wellbeing, the children took part in a thoughtful, and at times quite an emotional discussion about what they are thankful for, focusing on things that do not cost money. This was a lovely opportunity for reflection

and respectful listening, and the children showed great maturity in sharing their ideas.

Thank you for your continued support. We are looking forward to another positive and productive term with Year 4!



Dosbarth Pump

Welcome back after the Easter holiday! It has been wonderful to welcome the children back to school, refreshed and ready to learn. In the week before the half term, the children had an amazing time enjoying their Golden Ticket prizes following the PTFA fund raising event. This special reward included a film afternoon, a creative activity session and a non-uniform day. The children had lots of fun and it was fantastic to see everyone so excited and engaged. We were also incredibly proud of the children during their Taiko drumming performance for parents. Every child was outstanding and confidently showcased their musical talents. Their hard work and commitment really shone through, and it was a joy to see their confidence grow as they performed. In Literacy, the children have been developing their planning skills in preparation for writing explanation texts about plant growth and bee pollination. The final pieces were absolutely incredible and demonstrated excellent understanding and effort from everyone. As a result, the whole class earned Golds, which is a fantastic achievement, da iawn! During PE, the children have continued to develop their hockey skills, focusing on correct stick position as well as stopping and passing the ball. They are showing great teamwork and improving control with each session. In Maths, the children have completed tasks to establish their



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own times tables targets. They have been practising independently using a range of methods, including jottings, using the inverse, and ICT games such as J2Blast. Their determination and resilience have been excellent to see. As part of our Easter celebrations, the children used their fantastic DCF skills to research how Easter is celebrated around the world. They then used this information to create an engaging and informative piece of writing, demonstrating both strong research skills and creativity.

Thank you, as always, for your continued support. We are very proud of all that the children have achieved and we look forward to an exciting and productive term ahead.

Dosbarth Chewch

Wow - here we are at the start of the summer term! As we come to the conclusion of our topic, "Beast Creator," I am thrilled to share all the wonderful achievements our class has made. In literacy, we have tackled a balanced argument about rainforest deforestation. This emotive topic has been approached with such maturity, and the students have used the high-level skills of point, evidence, and explain to structure their arguments, resulting in truly informed, data-driven pieces of writing.

Linking to our bug hotels, we have also delved into learning about volume and nets of 3D shapes. The children have drawn nets and constructed scaled prototypes of the bug hotels, showcasing impressive problem-solving skills. The creation of these bug hotels is in full swing, with all groups busy marking and cutting their pieces, ready to assemble the finished products. In ICT, we continue our exciting journey with our Lego Spikes. The children have taken the initiative to create and code robots that can battle each other, reminiscent of Robot Wars! The coding process has certainly involved some problem-solving, but it is wonderful to witness their creativity alongside their developing technical skills.

Watch this space for further pictures and updates on their progress! Thank you for your continued support.





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Rotary Monmouth

Monmouth Rotary: Walk the Wye Challenge on Sunday 10th May

Join us in the breathtaking Wye Valley to raise vital funds for the Velindre Breast Cancer Research Team. Their aim is to eradicate the disease by improving prevention, detection, and treatment strategies, **your support is crucial**. **About the event** -There will be four walking routes to choose from. These range from:

- a wander along the old railway track from Wyesham to Redbrook and returning to Monmouth via the delightful river footpath (4 miles).
- A trek from Tintern to Monmouth taking in the magnificent Cleddon Shoots before returning to the Showground via Whitebrook (10 miles)
- A walk, starting at Monmouth Showground, that uses the old railway line to get to Redbrook before ascending the ridge on the English side of the valley prior to descending to Bigsweir and following the riverside path back to Monmouth (12 miles).
- a route from Chepstow to Monmouth, rising to the ridges above the Wye, and taking in the infamous 365 steps, Eagles Nest view point, and the magnificent Cleddon Falls (16 miles).

Each route has a different degree of challenge, something for everyone. The event is based at Monmouth Show Ground. Here, there is free parking and free buses to take walkers to the start of the Chepstow and Tintern to Monmouth walks. The other two walks are circular, starting and finishing at the Show Ground.

Entry forms plus full details are available at www.walkthewye.com

Spread the word; Please will you let everyone know about the Walk the Wye Challenge and encourage others to join?