



Trellech Primary School Newsletter



Friday 17th July 2026

Goodbye and Good Luck...

.....to our wonderful Year Six leavers; Eddie, Maddison, Emmett, Ellen, Ada, Carys, Isabel, Sophia, Ethan, Esther, Lowenna, Danny, Noah, Joshua, Lyra, Annabel, Josephine, Laura, Isabelle, Joe, Ravi, Jacob, Grayson, Jack, Rochelle, Abigail, Theo, Barney, Marlow, Lucy and Freddie we say goodbye. We would like to take a moment to celebrate all they have achieved during their time at Trellech Primary. They have worked hard, shown determination, overcome challenges, developed new skills, and created memories and friendships that will last a lifetime.



Throughout their journey, they have embraced challenges, supported one another, and grown into confident, caring, and responsible young people. We are incredibly proud of their successes, both inside and outside the classroom, and of the positive contributions they have made to our school community.

As they take their next exciting step to their chosen secondary school, we know they will continue to achieve great things. We encourage them to be confident, believe in themselves, and approach every new opportunity with enthusiasm and resilience.

On behalf of everyone at Trellech school, we wish our Year Six leavers every success and happiness for the future. Remember to dream big, work hard, and never stop believing in what you can achieve. We are proud of each and every one of you and look forward to hearing about your future accomplishments. **Good luck, Year 6 – your journey is only just beginning!**

We also say goodbye to Miss Smith who has taught Dosbarth Un this year. She leaves us to join another Monmouthshire School to teach Year Six. Thankyou for all you have done for the pupils here in Trellech and good luck for the future.

End of Year Message from Mrs Peacock

As we reach the end of another successful academic year, it is hard to believe just how quickly the time has passed. Reflecting on the year, I am immensely proud of everything we have achieved together as a school community and would like to begin by thanking you for your continued support. Your encouragement, commitment and partnership play a vital role in making Trellech Primary School such a special place for our children to learn and thrive.

This year has been filled with opportunities, achievements and memorable experiences. Our dedicated staff, enthusiastic pupils, supportive governors, generous volunteers and wider community have worked together to provide rich and meaningful learning experiences that help our children develop the knowledge, skills and confidence they need for the future.

Our learners have enjoyed a wide range of educational visits and experiences. From residential trips to Cardiff and Gilwern, where pupils challenged themselves through teamwork and outdoor adventure activities, to visits that have enriched learning across the curriculum, our children have embraced every opportunity with enthusiasm and curiosity. Across the school, pupils have continued to develop their Welsh language skills through our Eisteddfod celebrations, participation in the Urdd Jamboree and cluster events. The highlight was our positive LA Review for Welsh within the school and our achievement of Cymraeg Campus Arian.

One of the highlights of the year has been the continued development of our allotment and outdoor learning areas. Thanks to the passion and dedication of Mrs Cornish, Mr Hagg and Mrs Weeks alongside the commitment of our wonderful volunteers, pupils have experienced the full cycle of



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growing, nurturing and harvesting produce. The allotment continues to flourish, providing valuable opportunities for children to develop their understanding of sustainability, healthy living and the natural world. Further improvements to our grounds, supported by grant funding have enhanced our outdoor spaces, ensuring they remain engaging, accessible and inspiring learning environments for all.

Our Interim visit by Estyn this half term confirmed the progress that has been made against our recommendations. This is thanks to the whole team who continuously show dedication and are committed to school improvement. The interim letter will be published this week and is available on the Estyn Website:

<https://estyn.gov.wales/latest-inspection-reports/>

Many of these opportunities would simply not be possible without the invaluable support of our volunteers. Whether assisting with swimming sessions, supporting Forest School, helping in the allotment, accompanying educational visits or giving their time in countless other ways, their contribution enriches the lives of our children every day. We are incredibly fortunate to have such a dedicated and generous community supporting our school.

As we bring another year to a close, I would like to extend my sincere thanks to everyone who has contributed to the success of Trellech Primary School. It is a privilege to lead such a caring, committed and supportive community. Together, we continue to create a school where children can flourish, embrace opportunities and develop a lifelong love of learning.

I wish all our families a happy, restful and enjoyable summer break and look forward to welcoming everyone back in September for another exciting year ahead.

Year Six Residential to Gilwern

Our Year 6 pupils recently enjoyed their residential trip to Gilwern Outdoor Education Centre, they faced exciting challenges and adventures. During the three-day visit, the children took part in a range of activities including canoeing, paddle boarding, climbing, abseiling and walking, all of which

encouraged them to develop their confidence, resilience and teamwork skills.

The children were fantastic ambassadors for our school, embracing every challenge with enthusiasm and determination. It was wonderful to see them step outside their comfort zones, support one another and achieve so much. We are incredibly proud of their positive attitudes and the courage they showed throughout the trip.

A huge thank you to Mrs Maunders, Mrs Voaden, Mrs Sulway, as well as Mr Hockey and Mrs Kersley for their dedication, commitment and support. Giving up their time to accompany the children, including staying away from home overnight for three days, ensured the visit was such a memorable and successful experience for everyone.

Well done to all of our Year 6 pupils on their many achievements during the residential. The memories made and skills developed will stay with them for years to come!



Saplings: Sparkle and Shine

Our Saplings children recently delighted their peers with their wonderful 'Sparkle and Shine' performance, bringing together all of their learning in a truly special celebration. The children demonstrated confidence, creativity and enthusiasm as they showcased their talents and hard work.

This event was about much more than performing on stage. The children took an active role in planning the event, organising arrangements and selling tickets, giving them valuable opportunities to apply a wide range of skills in a real-life context. Their teamwork,



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communication and problem-solving skills shone just as brightly as their performances.

Year Four MFL Cluster Project

Our Year 4 pupils recently took part in an exciting Modern Foreign Languages (MFL) Cluster Project, developing their French language skills through the performance of Little Red Riding Hood (*Le Petit Chaperon Rouge*).

The children worked incredibly hard to learn and perform their lines in French, building their confidence in speaking and understanding the language. Their efforts culminated in a fantastic performance for parents, followed by the opportunity to perform at Monmouth Comprehensive School (MCS) alongside their cluster peers.

This project provided a wonderful opportunity for pupils to apply their language learning in a meaningful and enjoyable way, while also developing their confidence, creativity and presentation skills. We were extremely proud of how enthusiastically the children embraced the challenge and represented our school so positively.

School Sports Event

Whilst ironically now, our sports days were cancelled due to the rain, these events were held within the school day and we are pleased to announce the overall winners for FP and KS2 were Monnow with 802 points. They were followed by Usk (663) and in third place Wye (606). Llongifarciaidau!

Year Four visit British Aerospace

Last week, Year Four attended British Aerospace as part of their learning, they had a wonderful day and had an opportunity to gain so much knowledge first hand! A special diolch to Mrs Miles, Mrs Voaden, Mrs Hockey and Mrs Sims who attended to visit. Much gratitude to our PTFA who contributed towards the cost of the trip.



Acorns visit to Bristol Zoo Project

Unfortunately, due to the heatwave Acorns visit to the Bristol Zoo Project was cancelled. We are pleased to share that this has been rearranged and will take place in the Autumn Term.

Newport Schools

Congratulations to Lowenna (Y6) and Xenia (Y4) who have been successfully selected following their trial with the Newport Schools Girls Squad for the forthcoming season.

Thank you to the PTFA

We are very grateful to our wonderful PTFA who have arranged some wonderful events over the past year, culminating with a wonderful Colour Run last week, events throughout the year have enabled all our learners to attend a variety of opportunities and raise some much appreciated funds for the school. These include a sail for the FP yard, new home reading books, STEM workshops as well as supported visits and trips, leavers hoodies to name but a few! As we end the year we say a special thankyou to Miss Hall, Mrs Dudley- Jones and Mrs Smallman who step down from their committee roles.





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Breakfast Club

Please be aware of the new Food and Drink Regulations will come into force in October 2026. We have now received updated guidance relating specifically to breakfast club provision, which will be implemented from 1 September 2026.

The new regulations state that:

- Fruit juice must no longer be served at breakfast clubs.
- Only drinking water may be provided.
- Toast toppings such as jam and honey are no longer permitted.
- Toast may only be served with a suitable spread.

Criw Cymreig

Llongyfarchiadau to Mrs Maunder for being Anthrowan yr Wythnos

Our Phrase of the Week (Wythnos) is:

Beth ydy dy hoff lliw/tim/ffilm/llyfr?

(What is your favourite colour/ team/ film / book?)

Fy hoff lliw/team, ffilm llyfy ydy...

(My favourite colour/ team/ film/ book is....)

School Email Address

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

Key Dates: 2025/ 2026

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 9th Oct: Cluster 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 30th April: Cluster INSET Day School Closed to Pupils

Fri 28th May: End of Summer Term One

Mon 7th June: Summer Term Two Commences

Mon 5th - Weds 7th July: Y6 Residential to Gilwern

Fri 16th July: Last Day of Summer Term for Pupils

Mon 19th July: INSET Day School Closed to Pupils

Tues 20th July: INSET Day School Closed to Pupils

Tues 20th July: End of Academic Year

Class News

Dosbarth Derby

Just like that, the first year of Reception here at Trellech is complete. I can't quite believe we're at the end of the year already. It doesn't seem like five minutes since I was visiting the children at nursery and welcoming them into class on Move Up Day and at the start of September. It has been a pleasure to be your child's first teacher and be a part of the very start of their learning journey. I think I said it to nearly everyone at presents evening, but this class has been incredible. To support every one of them and watch them progress in their own little ways is something I am extremely proud of. They are more than ready for Year One now and I have no doubt they will continue to grow and face every challenge with resilience in their stride like they have this year. To all of you as parents and guardians, I also want to say a huge thank you for all your support, time and



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effort that you have given and shown over this year. Over these final two weeks, the children have been focussing on healthy and not so healthy foods. We have been building an understanding about how some foods, as tasty as they shouldn't always be eaten all the time but can be enjoyed as a sweet treat! The children then went on to design and pack their own healthy lunchboxes with lots of nutritious foods. We also spent a lot of the week getting creative for our Chepstow show entries. As a whole class, we collaborated to create Chepstow Book shop with a bit of Julia Donaldson theme twist. The children enjoyed painting the background, choosing and drawing characters and using different modes and materials to bring the piece to life. The children then created their own individual entries by designing their own birthday cakes. I must say that there were lots of fabulous designs and careful consideration as to what flavours and decorations would be included. If you're able to attend, the show is on the 8th August. We have also enjoyed engaging with Lego Spike this week to make one last final link to our maths and digital topic. The children had to create different Lego builds for animals to see if they would withstand a windy storm. Whatever your plans are for the summer holidays, I hope you along with the children have a great one. For the final time of this academic year, thank you! Take care, Miss Light

Dosbarth Un

Wow, what a year this has been! I simply cannot believe that we are at the end of the year for Year 1. It feels like it was just last week when I visited the class as a Supply Teacher when they were in Reception and now, we have spent 39 wonderful weeks together! For my first ever class, I cannot explain how unbelievable this class has been. We have truly learnt a lot together and had so much fun along the way! As I said to every one of you at parent's evening, the progress that they have made both socially and academically this year has blown my mind and seeing this blossom and

flourish this year has made me feel incredibly proud of every one of them. Through celebrating the little wins to supporting through the struggles, Dosbarth Un have truly embraced every challenge I have thrown their way.

During these final two weeks, we have created and painted some fabulous birthday cake entries for Chepstow Show (ready for Saturday 8th August) which the children have loved creating! Each one is unique and entirely the children's creation which make them all the better!

We have been reflecting on our time in Year 1 in Literacy both wrapping up our diary entry work where we were writing pretending to be the boy from 'How to catch a star' and writing our memories of Year 1. They have truly loved reflecting on this and creating a small booklet of these memories that I am sure you have probably had a look through now!

In Maths, we have reflected on our learning and have been revising some of the topics that the children have struggled with. As a treat on our final day together, we even had a go at a Dosbarth Un Taskmaster maths challenge where we had lots of fun but silly challenges that tested their maths skills that they learnt along the way!

And so it comes to the final newsletter from me here at Trellech School and I would just like to thank all of you one final time for all your support and understanding throughout this year. I have truly learnt so much from this amazing class and you have all been so wonderful. I hope the children continue to blossom beautifully in Dosbarth Dau and I know they will have the best time with Mr Green and Mrs Maguire. I hope you have a summer full of happiness and sunshine however you wish to spend it.

Diolch and hwyl fawr, Miss Smith

Dosbarth Dau

Shw mae pawb!! Well, that year went by in the blink of an eye; and what a very busy year it has been! The last couple of weeks have been a challenge with the heat but we got there.

The pupils have been very creative with their entries for the Chepstow Show; designing and



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painting birthday cakes. They have shown great art skills, focus and imagination during these expressive arts sessions.

We have spent a lot of time revising concepts in numeracy and we are glad we have. They have so much to remember and like us adults are very busy and only human. In the following six weeks they will forget things so please carry out times tables such as x2, x3, x4, 5 and x10 and revisit number bonds and the relationships between numbers. For example: $7 + 9 = 16$ so $70 + 90 = 160$, $20 - 8 = 12$ so $200 - 80 = 120$.

I have been amazed by the children's presentations. It is such an important skill to be able to talk in front of an audience (I still don't like it!). There were some nerves but the children were clear, engaged their audiences, passionate about their subjects and also included humour. Da iawn Blwyddyn Dau I am so proud of you.

So now it's time to say goodbye for the summer break and I will very much miss this class. They have been an enthusiastic class and what they lack in size they have made up in volume! LOL. I am so pleased that they have all made progress this year and have worked extremely hard to achieve so much. Thank you to Year 2 and to parents for your support and help. I wish you all a very happy, relaxed summer and all the best for your next step in Trellech.

Mr D Green



Dosbarth Tri

As we reach the end of another fantastic year in Dosbarth Tri, it is hard to believe how quickly the time has flown by! The final few weeks of term have been incredibly busy, filled with

learning, creativity and plenty of excitement as the children prepared for their Year 3 Has Talent show for Year 2.

As part of their preparations, the children designed and created individual tickets for the performance, applying their previous learning about grid references to help distribute them. It was wonderful to see them using their skills in a real-life context while demonstrating such enthusiasm for the event.

The talent show itself was a huge success. We were amazed by the confidence, creativity and determination shown by all of the performers. From gymnastics routines, comedy acts and diabolo performances to the children supporting behind the scenes with props and music, every child played an important role. They were all absolutely fabulous! Thank you to families for your support in helping the children prepare and for providing costumes and props to make the event so special.

In our Rights Respecting Schools work, we have been learning about Article 31 of the UN Convention on the Rights of the Child – the right to relax, play and take part in cultural and creative activities. The children explored what life would be like if they did not have the right to play and discussed why play is such an important part of childhood, wellbeing and development.

In Literacy, we completed our wonderful "This Is Me!" poems. Each poem reflected the unique personality of its author, celebrating what makes every child special. The children worked hard to develop their ideas and performed their poems to one another with confidence and pride. It was a lovely opportunity for them to share and celebrate their individuality.

And so, here we are at the end of Year 3. What a wonderful year we have had together! It has been a privilege to watch the children grow in confidence, develop new skills and create so many happy memories along the way.

I would like to thank you all for your continued support throughout the year. Your encouragement and partnership have made a huge difference to the children's success and happiness.



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I hope you all have a restful, fun-filled summer break. I wish all the children the very best as they embark on their next learning journey in **Year 4**, and I look forward to hearing about their future successes.

Thank you once again for all your support.

Mrs Maguire

Dosbarth Pedwar

Wow – what a crazy couple of weeks! Somehow, we got there together, with everything arriving on the right day, even when none of us were quite sure what day it actually was anymore! Last week's trip to Aerospace was both fascinating and inspiring. The children explored the history of aviation and discovered the physics behind escaping Earth's atmosphere. They investigated how rockets are designed and powered for space travel before putting their learning into practice by creating, testing and refining their own rocket prototypes ready for launch. It was wonderful to see their enthusiasm, curiosity and teamwork throughout the day. We hope you enjoyed our Fashion Show, where the children proudly showcased their sewing skills, creativity and hard work. They also demonstrated their fantastic French skills through their performance of *Little Red Riding Hood*, with both confidence and enthusiasm. Furthermore, the children once again represented our school brilliantly at Monmouth Comprehensive School on Wednesday when they performed for our cluster schools. We were incredibly proud of them. Although they felt a mixture of nerves and excitement, they rose to the occasion and articulated their lines beautifully, showing confidence, resilience and maturity throughout. What an incredible year it has been. The children have worked exceptionally hard, embraced new challenges and achieved so much. It has been a year packed with learning, laughter, creativity and memorable experiences. We would like to thank you from the bottom of our hearts for all your support throughout the year. We truly couldn't do it without you. We have been overwhelmed by your kindness and are so grateful for the thoughtful messages, cards and gifts we have received.

We hope you all have a wonderful summer filled with rest, relaxation and special family moments. Take time to recharge your batteries, enjoy the sunshine,

and make some happy memories. We look forward to welcoming everyone back for another exciting year in September.

Have a fantastic summer and thank you for being part of such a wonderful year. Mrs Miles and Mrs Cotton



Dosbarth Pump

Year 5 have been working incredibly hard as they concluded their *WALL-E* project by writing a letter from the perspective of the Captain of the spaceship. The children produced some fantastic writing, using a formal layout and high-quality language to explain why it was so important for humanity to return to Earth. I was very impressed with the thoughtful reasons and persuasive arguments they included. In Maths, the children explored co-ordinates and completed a fantastic challenge in which they designed their own robot, plotted its coordinates, and then worked with a partner who followed the coordinates to recreate the design. The children then compared their robots and evaluated how accurately they had followed the co-ordinates. This activity allowed them to apply a range of mathematical skills in a creative and engaging way. The children also successfully took part in Year 5's own version of Wimbledon. It was wonderful to see the teamwork, determination and skill development on display throughout the competition. All of the children should be proud of their efforts and sporting attitudes. To end the week, the children prepared vegetables and made potato pizzas. They developed essential cooking skills, including safe food preparation techniques, and thoroughly enjoyed tasting the different pizzas they created. It was a great opportunity to build confidence and independence in cooking. During Outdoor Learning, the children used their orientation and navigation skills to complete a



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problem-solving challenge. Their hard work and perseverance were rewarded with hot chocolate and marshmallows at the end of the activity, which was enjoyed by all. It has been an absolute privilege to spend the last year with Year 5. As their teacher, I could not be prouder of everything they have achieved, the progress they have made, and the kindness, resilience and enthusiasm they have shown throughout the year. I wish them every success as they move forward and look forward to hearing about all their future achievements.

Thank you for all your support over the year and I wish you a wonde4rful summer holidays.

Dosbarth Chewch

Here we are, at the end of Year 6 for 31 of our fabulous children, and what a year it has been! I have been privileged to teach this class for two years and I can't tell you how proud I am of each and every one of them. They have shown endless enthusiasm, resilience, empathy and we have had many, many laughs along the way. One of the highlights of recent weeks was our residential visit to Gilwern. Throughout the trip, the children demonstrated incredible resilience, determination and teamwork. Whether tackling challenging activities, stepping outside their comfort zones, or encouraging friends to persevere, every pupil should be immensely proud of what they achieved. Our final week has been about reflecting on our memories and preparing to say goodbye. Thanks to the PTFA, the children were all gifted a wonderful leavers hoodie which they have worn with pride these last two weeks. We all enjoyed watching the movie Minions and Monsters in Cwmbran on Tuesday as part of the leaver's celebrations – lots of laughs and lots of snacks were had by all! We have even packed in completing our stop motion claymations and battling year 5 in our robot wars using the lego spikes. The collaboration between the classes was wonderful. Friday saw the performance of our leaver's assembly, with many laughs and quite a few tears along the way as well. Thank you so much for trusting me with your

wonderful children again this year. Although I am saying goodbye, you will always be a part of our school family. I would love for you to come back and visit us in the future to share your achievements, adventures and experiences. Good luck, enjoy your summer, and don't forget to pop back and say hello! Mrs Maunder.

"You're off to great places, today is your day! Your mountain is waiting, so, go on your way!" Dr Seuss.





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