



Powys County Council
Acting Headteacher: Miss S Williams



NEWSLETTER - APRIL 2024

VALUE OF THE MONTH - CARING

RIGHT OF THE MONTH - CLEAN WATER, HEALTHY FOOD,
CLEAN ENVIRONMENT & GOOD HEALTHCARE



AFTER SCHOOL CLUBS

Monday	Sports	Years R,1 & 2	3.30 - 4.30p.m. Mrs Baynham
Monday	Worship & Choir	Years 3,4,5 & 6	3.30 - 4.30p.m. Mrs Thomas/Mrs Butters
Tuesday	Gardening	Years 3,4,5 & 6	3.30 - 4.30p.m. Mrs Gayther

HEADTEACHER APPOINTMENT

The school's Governing Body had great pleasure in informing parents/carers of the appointment of our own Miss Williams as the new headteacher of our school, following a rigorous selection process. Miss Williams has longstanding ties with our school and its community and has a clear vision for progression in the school. You can access the letter from the Vice Chair of Governors [here](#).

CARNIVAL, CULTURE AND CREATIVITY

We welcomed our pupils back to school on Monday 8th April, introducing them to our summer term topic of 'Carnival, Culture and Creativity'. Pupils will be taking part in various exciting activities designing, preparing and creating a carnival float for the Newbridge-on-Wye carnival on 29th June 2024. Pupils will be working alongside local artists to develop their creativity and using their literacy skills to promote the event.

EARTH DAY 22nd April 2024

Some of our Dosbarth Bedwen pupils had the amazing opportunity to record an episode of 'A Voice for Nature' for the BBC, narrating David Attenborough's part in the episode. The episode will be aired on 22nd April on BBC iPlayer and our pupils will be recorded viewing the episode in class on the day for the BBC to use in their promotional material.



"Smile together, Play together, Learn together"
"Gwenu gyda'n gilydd, Chwarae gyda'n gilydd, Dysgu gyda'n gilydd"

FOLLY FARM

Our Dosbarth Helygen pupils will be going on a school trip to Folly Farm on Thursday 23rd May. This will give pupils the opportunity to see some of the animals depicted in 'The Carnival of Animals' by Camille Saint-Saens, which is being used as the inspiration for Dosbarth Helygen's topic this term. We are very fortunate to have the trip subsidised by the Llysdinam Trust. The remaining amount due should be paid on ParentPay by 3rd May.

DOSBARTH HELYGEN PARENTS EVENING

Miss Unsworth held parents evening for our Dosbarth Helygen pupils on Monday 15th and Tuesday 16th April. This provided an opportunity for parents to meet with Miss Unsworth for the first time and gain an appreciation of all the work our pupils in Dosbarth Helygen have been doing.

CROSS COUNTRY Friday 26th April

A few of our pupils in years 3, 4, 5 and 6 will be competing in the Powys Primaries cross country event at the Royal Welsh Show-ground, organised by Sport Powys. We wish our competitors all the best on the day!

COMIC RELIEF

Thank you to all those parents/carers who donated to Comic Relief for our 'Pyjama Day'. The school raised a total of £147.00.

PURPLE UP DAY

Pupils will be taking part in 'Purple Up' day on Friday 26th April for Month of the Military Child. We will be making decorations with purple dandelion themed artwork and wearing purple to school to raise money for the Armed Forces charity, Little Troopers. On this occasion, please could £1 donations be made in cash on the day.

JOB VACANCIES

The school has a number of vacancies to fill for September 2024, including the Deputy Headteacher and a combined HLTA/TA role. Job advertisements for these positions will be appearing on the Powys jobs website. We will also be recruiting for a new After School Club leader from September. Please contact the school office with any expressions of interest.

VISIT TO THE STRAND HALL

Powys schools have been given the opportunity to attend a transition project at The Strand Hall in Builth Wells for years 5 and 6 pupils. The National Orchestra of Wales will be performing for the pupils as part of the transition project. The cost of the project has been fully funded by the Local Authority.

THANK YOU FOR DONATIONS!



We would like to thank Pip Samuel for a very generous donation to the school and to the New Inn and Housam Kezze for the donations of some fantastic resources for our pupils! We hope to put the money received from Pip's donation towards a project to create a QR code heritage trail around the village, which will form part of a project in the next academic year.

TRIP TO CARDIFF BAY

Our Dosbarth Derwen pupils had the wonderful opportunity to visit Cardiff Bay and the Senedd on Tuesday 9th April. The children visited the Roald Dahl memorial and went on a boat trip around the bay, which they greatly enjoyed despite the windy weather! Thank you to our parent helpers Karen Hand and Tania Samuel for helping out on the day to make this such an enjoyable outing for Dosbarth Derwen!

Birthday Shout Outs



We would like to wish a very Happy Birthday to all those who have April birthdays. A very happy birthday to Sofia Bufton, Regan Christie-Rees, Tegan Davies, Keavy Samuel and Winnie Smith.

BANK HOLIDAY

Pupils will not be in school on the May bank holiday on Monday 6th May 2024.