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#### **NEWSLETTER - JANUARY 2024**



#### VALUE OF THE MONTH - RESPECT

#### AFTER SCHOOL CLUBS

Monday Urdd Dance Years 3,4,5 & 6 3.30 - 4.30p.m. Mrs Butters Monday Urdd Art Years 1 & 2 3.30 - 4.30p.m. Miss Unsworth

#### WELCOME BACK TO SCHOOL!

We would like to wish all our families a happy new year as we return to school after a well deserved Christmas break! Our pupils have settled down well this term, ready to get involved in all the exciting activities we have planned. We would like to welcome Miss Unsworth as a new member of our teaching team in Dosbarth Helygen. Please click on the link to view Miss Williams's letter to parents, as she starts her role as our Acting Headteacher.

### SLEEPING BEAUTY PRODUCTION Monday 29th January

The school has arranged for a professional theatre company to perform a classic literature adaptation of "Sleeping Beauty" on Monday 29th January at the school. Live actors will be performing this wonderful production using hand painted scenery and stage quality costumes and props. This production has been partially funded through a grant from the Arts Council of Wales, with a small fee due for parents/carers, which will be added to your child's ParentPay account. We hope this will be an enjoyable experience for all our pupils and encourage reading for enjoyment.











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

## EARLY NOTICE PARENTS EVENING

The school's formal parents evenings will be taking place on week commencing Monday 5th February. The meetings will be face to face in school and there will be a book fair available for parents/carers. It is important that all parents/carers attend these appointments with their child's class teacher. An email will be sent to parents/ carers with further information regarding appointments in due course. Miss Unsworth in Dosbarth Helygen will be hosting an informal open evening on Monday 5th February instead of a formal parents evening, to allow parents to visit and get to know their child's new class teacher. Formal parents evening for Dosbarth Helygen will take place in the summer term.



#### **POP-UP SHOP**

To celebrate St Dwynwens, all children will have the opportunity to purchase a small gift for a loved one, during the school day.

The shop will be run by the older students and will have items such as keyrings, fluffy socks and bookmarks for the children to purchase.

Items will be priced at: 20p, 30p, 50p, £1 and £1.50.

All money raised will support the purchase of outdoor play equipment for the infants playground

Thank-you for supporting the Friends of Newbridge-on-Wye School

#### SCHOOL ONLINE CALENDAR

An online calendar has been created to keep parents/carers updated with information and activities pupils are involved in during school time. To access the calendar, please click here.

# Mould you like to be more involved in your children's learning?

DO YOU WANT TO KNOW WHAT THE SCHOOL IS DOING
IN REGARDS TO LEARNING AND THE NEW
CURRICULUM?

We are looking for parents or members of the community who would like to join us on our Area Learning Team meetings to help us make decisions for your children on all aspects of the New Curriculum!



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#### EACH AREA LEARNING TEAM HAS A MEETING ONCE A TERM!

OUR 4 AREA LEARNING TEAMS AND THE NEXT
DATES OF MEETINGS ARE:
CREATIVE TEAM - THURSDAY 18TH JANUARY

TECHNOLOGY TEAM - THURSDAY 22ND FEBRUARY
ENVIRONMENT TEAM - THURSDAY 29TH FEBRUARY
WELLBEING TEAM - THURSDAY 14TH MARCH

IF YOU ARE INTERESTED,
PLEASE USE THE LINK OR QR
CODE BELOW TO FILL OUT A
SHORT FORM



HTTPS://DOCS.GOOGLE.COM/FORMS/ D/1DkHZBVDkn51EGP4\_TO9TDMNILV URPUXMSQ89QOWL3A/EDIT#SETTI

#### **ATTENDANCE**

As part of the Welsh Government drive to increase attendance levels across all schools in Wales, we are making every effort to ensure that all our students benefit from regular attendance. Continuity of work is clearly essential in order for all our students to make good progress and to achieve their full potential. There is a strong and proven link between Attendance and Attainment. We appreciate that children become unwell from time to time and there can be exceptional circumstances for absence. However, we ask that you think carefully before keeping your child off school and that you keep any appropriate medical information in order to serve as supportive evidence for your child's absence.

## DOSBARTH CEIRIOSEN READING CAFE

Dosbarth Ceiriosen invited parents and grandparents in to use the Jamboard on HWB by answering the following two questions: 'what do we already know about our topic?' and 'what would we like to find out?'. The pupils and their parents came up with some fantastic ideas, which will help shape their new topic this term.



#### FREE SCHOOL MEALS

Powys County Council aims to roll out Free School Meals to all primary school aged children by September 2024. It is important that you check your eligibility to receive Free School Meals regardless of this universal roll out. If you are eligible, you and the school could also receive extra funding. Additional support for parents can help pay for things like school uniform, footwear, stationery, sports kit and other equipment. For the school, the extra funding is essential for the provision of valuable resources and staffing. Parents/carers will need to apply separately to the Local Authority for School Essentials to access all of the funding available. For further information regarding Free School Meals, please click here.

#### TESCO BLUE TOKENS SCHEME

Please support the Friends of the School by entering your blue tokens in the Friends of Newbridge-on-Wye section of the Tesco blue tokens stand in Llandrindod Wells. Your support could aid in providing wonderful new outdoor play equipment for your child!

#### SAFER INTERNET DAY

Children will be taking part in a variety of activities on 6<sup>th</sup> February 2024 to mark Safer Internet Day. Parents/Carers are encouraged to access the following website to support the safe use of the internet at home - <u>Parents and Carers</u> - UK Safer Internet Centre

### Birthday Shout Outs

We would like to wish a very Happy Birthday to all those who have January birthdays.

A very happy birthday to
Delilah Baynham, Faith Bonner, Zara
Bufton, Archie Cullum, Luna Kezze,
Maisie-Bee Jenkins-Ross,
Elinor Edwards, Jameela OwusuAkyaw and Ella-May Smith.

#### BATTERIES COLLECTION

The school's Eco Committee are collecting batteries to recycle. Please put your used batteries in our recycle box in the school foyer. Batteries included are button, AA, AAA, B and C types. Thank you.



#### CRISP PACKET COLLECTION

The school is continuing to collect crisp packets up until February, so if you do have any empty packets spare at home, please do send them into school with your child, or bring them into the school office.

Many thanks!