



Children in Need

Children came into school looking fantastic today, wearing non uniform or something spotty to raise money for Children in Need. So far we have raised £206.50. If you are able to, please donate what you can, so we can help to support the children and young people all over the UK. Please use this [link](#) to make your donations

Value of the Month - Cooperation

Our Value of the Month this month is cooperation. Today has been the ideal time to share the value of cooperating with one another to do good things for others!



Christmas Performances

Our Christmas performances are approaching fast! The dates for these have been included in the diary dates for a while, but please see below the dates and times for your information. We send two tickets per family for each performance. If you don't need them, please send them back so that we can allocate these spare tickets to other parents / carers. Where we can, these tickets will be allocated on a first come first served basis.

As in previous years, we would like to offer the chance for grandparents to attend our dress rehearsals. In the event that parents or carers cannot attend the main performance, you may attend the dress rehearsals, however, please do not attend both.

Rec/ Y1



Dress Rehearsal 10am, Monday 16th December
Performance 2pm, Wednesday 18th December
For additional ticket requests please click [here](#)

Y2/ Y3



Dress Rehearsal 10am, Monday 2nd December
Performance 2pm, Wednesday 4th December
For additional ticket requests please click [here](#)

Y4/ Y5



Dress Rehearsal 10am, Monday 9th December
Performance 2pm, Wednesday 11th December
For additional ticket requests please click [here](#)

Rags to Riches

Thank you to everyone who donated bags of clothes for the Rags to Riches collection on Tuesday. Your donations raised £62.82 and we have another collection booked for the Summer term.

Non-school Uniform Day

As mentioned in the PTA section of the newsletter, next Friday 22nd November will be a non-school uniform day in exchange for a donation to the PTA Festive Tombola Stall at the Christmas fayre.

Building Work

Work continues around the site which will impact upon access to school. The staff parking area should not be used for drop off or pick up at any time - we will be closing the red gate to the staff car park during this time to minimise risk to our pupils and parents and disruption to the contractors.

Mynydd Bach Access

The start date for this work has been put back to **Monday 25th November** and will last for approximately 4-6 weeks. During this time parents and children will not be able to use this gate to enter or exit the school.

Outdoor Classroom

The new outdoor classroom installation will continue and should be completed on **Monday**. Please take care as you make your way around the building, especially outside Year 2, 3, and 4.

Roof

Please continue to take care when picking up and dropping off your children whilst this work takes place.

Ymadrodd yr Pythefnos - Phrase of the Fortnight

Our Phrase of the fortnight this week is

Esgusodwch fi - excuse me

Have a look at the video of some of our Criw Cymraeg modelling the language pattern for you.

[Siarad Cymraeg | Shirenewton Primary](#)



Gwent Music - Class Performances for Parents

Over the course of this year, Gwent Music will be coming into school to teach each class how to play a musical instrument, or how to play an instrument designed to get them playing a more 'traditional' instrument. This December, Year 2, Year 3 and Year 5 parents will get the opportunity to come in and see what the children have been learning over the term Year 2, Toots (a precursor to playing the flute) Year 3 Penny Whistle, and Year 5 Doods (a precursor to playing the clarinet). Pupils in other classes will get their opportunity over the rest of the year.

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Congratulations to the following learners for earning themselves a headteacher certificate this week.
"Llongyfarchiadau" i...

Tîm Coed Coch		Tîm Helyg		Tîm Derwen		Tîm Collen
Dosbarth Reception	Blwyddyn Un	Blwyddyn Dau	Blwyddyn Tri	Blwyddyn Pedwar	Blwyddyn Pump	Blwyddyn Chwech
Ada Primrose Tomas	Joseph Sefi Poppy	Harry J Isabelle Oscar	Ben Florence Haydn	Betsy R Ethan Halle	Coralie Jack J-C Keira	Abe Max Finley

PTA Notices

We hope the children all enjoyed the disco this week, they seemed to have lots of fun. A big thank you to all the volunteers and teachers who enabled it to go ahead.

We also had a fantastic load of donations for the Rags2riches collection with 251kg donated, a big thank you for that. Please don't bring any more bags of donations as we don't have room to long term store donations.

The Christmas fayre is just two weeks away. The mystery bags and raffle tickets have come home from school today. One per family. There are instructions below.

Please consider donating your time to help with set up or on the day, it really will be appreciated!

Many thanks for your support and thank you for your help with the fayre requests!

Your PTA Team

Mystery bags - please fill the brown bags with little toys, crafty bits, bouncy balls etc (pre-loved in good condition is ideal) and wrapped sweets are good too. Decorate if you wish. Return by Friday 29th November to the main school office.

Raffle tickets - each individual ticket is £1. Please write name/phone number on the back of each one and return to the main school office with the money by 30th November, or bring to the fayre.

This year we are selling tickets on-line through our Sumup shop, to purchase this way then please go to the following link and a paper ticket will be put in the same raffle.

<https://shirenewton-pta.sumupstore.com/product/raffle-ticket>

Please share the link with friends and family and more paper raffle tickets are available if you contact us shirenewtonpta@outlook.com

Other donations - We're also asking for donations of school age-appropriate toys, not baby toys please, books, Christmas jumpers etc and teddies. These can be donated any time between now and Friday 29th November in our PTA wheelie bin, which will temporarily be at the school gate in the car park.

Festive Tombola Donations – on Friday 22nd November we are holding a non-school uniform day in exchange for a donation to our Festive Tombola Stall. If any child wishing to come to school in non-uniform can bring a donation that would be wonderful. Donations could include festive chocolate, bottles of fizz, mulled wine, Christmas crackers, festive food items (no nuts) and decorations.

Volunteer to help with the fayre – <https://volunteersignup.org/MMK77>



Diary Dates 2024/25

New information highlighted in yellow

Autumn Term 2024	
Mon 18th Nov - Reception 2025 Information Event Thurs 21st Nov - Rec-Y2 Little Red Riding Hood at the Drill Hall Fri 22nd Nov - Non-school uniform day Mon 25th Nov - Y6 One Planet Trip Mon 25th Nov - Governors' Meeting Tues 26th Nov - Y4 Museum trip Wed 27th Nov - Y2 We the Curious trip Sat 30th Nov - Christmas fayre Mon 2nd Dec – Y2 and Y3 Christmas Concert Dress Rehearsal - Grandparents' invited 10am Wed 4th Dec – Y2 and Y3 Christmas Concert 2pm Mon 9th Dec – Y4 and Y5 Christmas Concert Dress Rehearsal - Grandparents invited 10am Wed 11th Dec - Y4 and Y5 Christmas Concert 2pm	Wed 11th Dec - Y2 and Y3 performing at Itton Church Thurs 12th Dec - School Christmas dinner Friday 13th Dec - Year 3 Penny Whistle Performance (timings TBC) Friday 13th Dec - Year 5 - Doods Performance (timings TBC) Friday 13th Dec - Year 2 - Toots Performance (timings TBC) Mon 16th Dec - Rec and Y1 Nativity Dress Rehearsal - grandparents invited 10am Mon 16th Dec - Y6 Carol Concert at Shirenewton Church 6pm Wed 18th Dec - Rec and Y1 Nativity Performance 2pm Mon 23rd Dec to Fri 3rd Jan - Christmas Holiday
Spring Term 2025	
Monday 6th January - Return to school Mon 3rd-Tues 4th Feb - Y4 Gilwern Thurs 13th Feb - Y3 Gilwern Mon 17th-Wed 19th Feb - Y5 Gilwern	Mon 24th-Fri 28th Feb - Half term break Mon 3rd Feb - Return to school Mon 14th-Fri 25th Apr - Easter Holiday
Summer Term 2025	
Mon 28th Apr - Return to school Mon 5th May - Bank holiday Mon 26th-Fri 30th May - Half term break	Mon 2nd Jun - Return to school Tues 22nd Jul - Summer holiday



Intro to tennis for Girls

SUNDAY, 1ST DECEMBER

CHEPSTOW TC

10-2.30PM, £35 WITH KIT PACK

WWW.JANEJONESTENNIS.CO.UK

Book online via above website
coach@chepstowtennis.club
07845291993



COST OF LIVING ADVICE EVENT

The Community Development Team have teamed up with partners to run a series of events across Monmouthshire to help residents. Join us for support, advice and ideas to help with the cost of living.

PARTICIPATING ORGANISATIONS

- Citizen's Advice
- Local foodbanks
- Severn Wye Energy Agency
- Warm Wales
- Welsh Water
- MCC Council services
- DWP (Department for Work and Pensions)
- Mind Monmouthshire

**JOIN US AT:
CALDICOT
HUB**

**Tuesday,
12th November
12pm-4pm**

Anyone can fall behind with bills and get into debt, but it's **NEVER** too late to seek help and advice, you may be surprised at how much can be done to help you get back on your feet!



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**COST OF
LIVING
SUPPORT**

MCC Community Development Team. For further advice and support: ☎ **01633 644644**

✉ CommunityDevelopment@monmouthshire.gov.uk 🌐 monmouthshire.gov.uk/money-matters



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ONLY**

£22.40

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FOR 7 WEEKS

PÊL-FASGED IAU JUNIOR BASKETBALL

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STARTING 6TH NOVEMBER

**DYDD MERCHER
4:45PM – 5:45PM**



**WEDNESDAYS
4:45PM – 5:45PM**

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Local Support in Chepstow



MCC Community Hub

Walk into one of our community hubs; they can advise what help may be most relevant for your circumstances.

📍 Manor Way,
Chepstow, NP16 5HZ

☎ 01633 644 644

🌐 monmouthshire.gov.uk

Citizens Advice

FREE, confidential, and non-discriminatory advice such as debt, benefits, family & relationships, consumer, legal, and more!

📍 The Gate House, High Street,
Chepstow, NP16 5LH

☎ 01291 422 119

🌐 monca.org.uk

Chepstow Food Banks

Providing essential support. Chepstow Foodbank offers 3 days of nutritionally balanced food to local individuals in emergency and crisis who are referred.

📍 Bridge Church, Unit 1,
Bulwark, Industrial Estate,
Chepstow, NP16 5QZ

📍 Chepstow Baptist Church,
Lower Church Street,
Chepstow, NP16 5HJ

☎ 07931 911 869

🌐 chepstow.foodbank.org.uk

Monmouthshire Upcycling Project

The Upcycling Project is a charity which collects unwanted furniture items and electrical goods and sells them at a heavily discounted price. Baby & Children's goods are also available. Plus, Bikes!

📍 Unit 3 Station Yard Industrial
Estate, Chepstow, NP16 5PF

☎ 01291 408 300

🌐 forestupcyclingproject.com

Basecamp, Chepstow

Provides affordable counselling services, youth and community hub, packaging recycling program and clothes and toy swapping events. Free period products are also available for 11-24-year-olds and those who struggle financially to otherwise afford them.

📍 11 Welsh Street or Green Room,
Chepstow

☎ Text PERIOD to:
07938 022 615

🌐 basecamp-chepstow.co.uk

Chepstow Food Club

Quality food at affordable prices with FOOD Club, committed to alleviating food waste.

Join for only £1 per year for a family membership and purchase a weekly bag of delicious food for just £3.50 (worth about £10 - £15).

📍 Rainbow Café, 38 Moor Street,
Chepstow, NP16 5DF

☎ 07977 636 522

🌐 facebook.com/ConnectingCommunitiesThroughFood

Chepstow Community Fridge

A volunteer-run organisation which collects surplus food and gives it away to prevent food waste. Everyone is welcome. Check for opening times.

📍 Rainbow Café, 38 Moor Street,
Chepstow, NP16 5DF

🌐 facebook.com/CCFridge

Christmas Quiz Night

Sat 23rd Nov 24

QUIZMASTER

BIG ED THE QUIZ HEAD

£12^{PP}



CALDICOT CHOIR HALL, CALDICOT // START 7PM

FREE DRINK ON ARRIVAL // RAFFLE // HOG ROAST
INTERACTIVE ROUNDS // CASH PRIZES // FESTIVE FUN

Book your tickets for you and the team at
www.caldicottownteam.co.uk or scan here

Vegan/Vegetarian food options available on
request



Friendly and fun indoor and outdoor learning for children aged 2 ½ to pre-school

At Shirenewton Playgroup the children are at the heart of all that we do. Following the new Curriculum for Wales we engage and act upon the children's interests, planning activities each week to enhance their learning opportunities – from a bug hunt to building dens to making berry crumble – anything is possible!

**New extended
opening times**

Monday – Thursday 9:15am to 3pm
Friday 9:15am to 12:30pm

Starting January 2025.
From £28 per full day.



www.shirenewtonplaygroup.co.uk



SHIRENEWTON VILLAGE

CHRISTMAS YOUTH MARKET

FRIDAY 22nd NOVEMBER
5.30-7.30pm AT THE REC HALL

FEATURING CRAFTS FROM OUR TALENTED UNDER 16'S

For more details contact Shirley - ayresandgraces@yahoo.com



SHIRENEWTON VILLAGE CHRISTMAS MARKET

SATURDAY NOVEMBER 23rd
10.30 - 12.30

AT THE REC HALL

FREE ENTRY

FOOD • CRAFTS • GIFTS • & MORE!