



Happy Easter

Thank you from the team for all your support this term. Whilst it has been a short one, we have packed an awful lot in! We hope you have a lovely Easter break and look forward to seeing you next term. Pasg Hapus!

Our lovely PTA have arranged for the Easter Bunny to drop off some eggs for the children, for which I am sure they are very grateful! There are some dairy free alternatives in the basket too!

Lots on the newsletter this week, much of it polite, but very important, reminders.

School Dinners

A plea from us about ordering school dinners - please remember to book before 8:30 am on the morning of the day your child wants dinner. This makes things much easier for the staff in the kitchen, and means your child will get what they have selected. Diolch.

Administration of Medication

School's policy is not to routinely administer medication to pupils. We do not have the staff to allow us to administer medication to everyone who may need it. In order to manage this policy responsibly we would ask that you can, please schedule your child's medication so that they don't need a dose during the school day.

We know that this isn't always possible, and, if your child does need medication during school hours, the following will happen: Only prescription medications will be administered, where absolutely necessary.

We will only issue non-prescription medicines in exceptional circumstances, with the agreement of the headteacher.

Medications must be brought into schools in their original container, as dispensed by a pharmacist, labelled with your child's name. They must include instructions for administration, dosage and storage, as well as possible side effects. You must complete a medication form provided by school for your child to be given the medication.

Please do not send medication in with your children without the medication form being completed and agreed by the Headteacher.

School Trips

We work hard to add to the children's learning by putting on school trips. We cannot do this without your support. When we send home trip letters, we ask for a voluntary contribution of a specific amount of money to cover the cost of the school trip. We do not make money on any school trip offered.

Over the last year, we have had to subsidise the costs of these experiences by £1100. This includes the cost of transport for swimming. This shortfall comes directly from the school's budget. If you have any worries about payment, please contact school - we promise to listen sympathetically and confidentially and come up with a positive solution. Diolch

New Entrance arrangements

Most of you will know that we have added an extra layer of magnetic door locks to the front entrance to improve site security. From next term, we ask that when picking up children early, or if you have to drop them between opening and closing times, you sign them in from the new waiting area. Diolch

🇬🇧 Ymadrodd yr Ywthnos - Phrase of the Week 🇬🇧

Our Phrase of the week this week is

Pasg Hapus i chi (P-ass-g Ha-pis ee ch-ee) - Happy Easter to you

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

@[Siarad Cymraeg | Shirenewton Primary](#)

You can find a link to all of our phrases here! @[Ymadrodd yr Wythnos | Shirenewton Primary](#)

DC Thomas Plate Final



Shirenewton Year 6 @shirenewton_6 · 16h

So proud to support 3 members of Dosbarth 6 who played valiantly today at the Principality Stadium like true rugby professionals. What an honour! Back in school we became sports media reporters. @shirenewtonsch @shi_llcaole @shi_healthaole

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Evan, Jude and Max played superbly at the Principality yesterday, and despite a valiant effort, the team lost a very competitive plate final. It's been 11 years since Newport were in a final, and as there are only 12 players in a team at Under 11s, it is exceptional for one class to make up a quarter of them!

Our Year 6 class represented our school as very loud cheerleaders.

The whole class has spent today interviewing the players and looking at the footage on Youtube. They have been busy creating a range of news reports - print, radio and film!

Da iawn, boys!



☆☆☆☆ **Seren yr Wythnos** ☆☆☆☆

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 Derbyn	Blwyddyn Un	Blwyddyn Dau	Blwyddyn Tri	Blwyddyn Pedwar	Blwyddyn Pump	Blwyddyn Chwech
Joseph B	Maddie	Jack	Levison	Jack JC	Aladin	Alfie
Elsie B	Aiden	Chloe	Ethan	Coralie	Angela	Oliver
Issac	Jasper	Heti	Daniel	Digby	Abe	Myles

Diary Dates 2023/24

New information highlighted in yellow

Spring Term 2024 – Key Dates	
Fri 22nd Mar - Last day for pupils	Mon 25th Mar - Fri 5th April - Easter Holidays

Summer Term 2024 – Key Dates	
<p>Mon 8th April - Return to school and return of pupil one page profiles</p> <p>Thurs 11th April - Reception vision and growth screening</p> <p>Fri 12th April - Maths parents session, Reception and Year 1 (Repeated weekly for 6 weeks)</p> <p>Saturday 13th April - Big Dig and Do Day (Weather permitting)</p> <p>Thurs 2nd May - Class Photos</p> <p>Mon 6th May - Bank Holiday</p> <p>Tues 21st May - Year 5 Playmakers conference</p> <p>Thurs 23rd May - Morning, Rec-Y2 Sports Day (weather permitting)</p> <p>Thurs 23rd May - Afternoon, Y3-Y6 Sports Day (weather permitting)</p> <p>Fri 24th May - INSET Day</p>	<p>Mon 27th May - Fri 31st May - Half Term Holiday</p> <p>Thurs 6th June - Morning Rec-Y2 Reserve Sports Day (weather permitting)</p> <p>Thurs 6th June - Afternoon, Y3-Y6 Sports Day (weather permitting)</p> <p>Fri 7th June - Maths parents session, 9:15am Year 2 (repeated weekly for 6 weeks)</p> <p>Fri 7th June - Maths parents session, 10:30am, Years 3, 4, 5 and 6 (repeated weekly for 6 weeks)</p> <p>Thurs 13th June - Y3-Y6 Tennis tournament</p> <p>Thurs 20th June - School Disco</p> <p>Mon 24th June - Y6 Swimming Gala</p> <p>Mon 1st July - Wed 3rd July - Y6 Llangrannog</p> <p>Wed 17th July - Last day for pupils</p> <p>Thurs 18th July & Fri 19th July - INSET Days</p>

Community Corner

Lots of notices in our community corner this week - please take a look

An appeal from Chepstow and Caldicot Lions

Dear Community,



For over half a century, the Chepstow and Caldicot Lions have been dedicated to serving our local communities through impactful initiatives and volunteer efforts. Our club is now facing a CRITICAL challenge that threatens our very existence. After 53 years of unwavering commitment, our membership numbers have dwindled significantly. Without an influx of new members, we may be forced to make the heartbreaking decision to close the club.

😞😞 The potential loss of Chepstow and Caldicot Lions would be an enormous blow to the communities we've supported for decades through projects like tackling hunger by supporting the Food Banks, helping to support childhood cancer care with Noah's Retreat, supporting Tŷ Hafan and The Kids Cancer Charity,

supporting Care Leavers, Litterpicking, Treeplanting, providing Message-In-A-Bottle, provisioning over 30 emergency defibrillators in prominent positions in the community, recycling spectacles for third world, and much, much more. Our club has been a driving force for positive change, and its absence would create a void that would be deeply felt.

👉 We urgently need passionate individuals to join us and revitalise our pride. By becoming a Lion, you'll have the opportunity to make a tangible difference in the lives of those around you while being part of a global network of service-minded people. If you've been seeking a fulfilling way to give back, build meaningful connections, and contribute to the betterment of Chepstow, Caldicot, and surrounding areas, this is your chance. We welcome people from all backgrounds and walks of life who share our values of compassion, community, and camaraderie.

🦁 Please, we implore you to step forward and offer your support. Your involvement could be the lifeline our club desperately needs to continue its vital work for years to come. We meet once a month at the delightful Mounton Brook Lodge - Chepstow. To learn more about joining our pride, to explore volunteer opportunities, or just for a chat, please in the first instance reach out to us through Facebook Messenger. Together, we can ensure that the legacy of the Chepstow and Caldicot Lions endures, creating a brighter future for all.



https://www.facebook.com/ChepstowLions2016/?locale=en_GB

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Chepstow
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AND BOOKING
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An appeal from Rev. Waters to parishioners of St. Peter's Church in Newchurch

YR EGLWYS
YNG NGHYMURU



THE CHURCH
IN WALES

18th. March 2024

Dear Parent/Carer,

I understand how busy care givers are but I hope that you will find the time to read this note.

You may not know me but your child(ren) who attend Shirenewton school certainly will. I have been taking school assemblies for many years now and am also present at key times of the year for concerts and special assemblies. I use such times not only to talk to the children about Christianity but also to help reinforce some messages about how we choose to live our lives and things like respecting others.

I believe that you live on part of our Ministry Area that is served by a small church on the Devauden Road, namely St. Peter's Church in Newchurch. Since Covid we have lost a number of our regular worshippers due to prolonged illness and sadly in some cases death. So that we can try to re-build we have decided that on the 3rd. Sunday of each month we will hold a very informal Café style service. This is simply having cake and other refreshments and a drink - all free - and a short form of worship. We know that many children have active social events on the weekend so we have moved the time of our service from 21st. April to 5.30 and lasting for less than an hour, this is in the hope that this will be after other events and not too late for children before they prepare for school the next day.

I know that going to church is no longer fashionable these days but I wonder if you would be prepared to bring your child along and see if it is something that you as a family may be interested in on the longer term.

Churches and church services are no longer as stuffy as they once were so why not give it a try and come along at 5.30 on 21st April?

Yours sincerely,

Revd. John S. Waters (Parish Priest)

Devauden Village Hall New Community Café Tuesdays 10am to 2pm



FREE for residents of Devauden and surrounding areas

- Tea/coffee/cake/biscuits
- Daily newspapers and magazines
- Children's board games and crafts
- Soup and roll (between 12pm-1pm)
- Good internet connection for work or leisure





Café Church

Sunday April 7th at 3:30 in the Church Room
And thereafter on the 1st Sunday of each month

Café Church is perfect for families!
Or indeed anyone who would like to try an informal style of worship.
Café style refreshments and fellowship for adults and children -
meet new friends and neighbours
Children's activities (primary/ pre-school)
Newspapers

Short service featuring:

- Modern worship songs
- Bible story
- All age address
- Prayers for the issues important to you

Come and give it a try!