

**"Learning Together, Achieving for Life"**  
**"Dysgu Gyda'n Gilydd, Cyflawni am Oes"**



**28<sup>th</sup> October 2022**  
**Edition 9**

## HAPPY HALF TERM!

What a wonderful half term it has been! Busy as always, but we have had a fantastic time supporting the children to develop and make progress. We hope you have all managed to have your Parents Evening appointments and have a good understanding of their attitude to learning and how they have settled into school. We hope you have a lovely break and look forward to welcoming you back to school on Monday 7th November.

## HARVEST ASSEMBLY

We had a lovely Harvest Assembly this week where the children sang beautiful harvest songs with actions, dancing, sign language and even their own musical accompaniment in Y6. We are also incredibly grateful for your generous donations to Caldicot Foodbank - we talked about how this will really help those who are struggling at the moment. Diolch yn fawr iawn for the support.

### Diolch yn fawr iawn



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## CALENDAR OPPORTUNITY

Those that completed the communication questionnaire unanimously agreed to have diary dates added to schoop, but after running some test events, we felt sharing dates via Google calendar would be more beneficial and user-friendly.

We have run some tests with a handful of parents and for those with a gmail account, it is a very straightforward process. The permutations for other email accounts and types of devices are endless, so you'll just need to google how to add a google calendar for your individual circumstances.

Mrs Partridge already has your email addresses on file, so if you would like to be added to the parent calendar, just drop your name into this [form](#) and you will be added during the first week back.

Calendar events will continue to be shared on the end of the newsletter as normal, but we are aware how much more convenient it is to have them to hand on your phone, so in doing this, we hope to make things a little easier for those who choose to use it.

## OPEN MORNING FOR PARENTS - ART

We would like to welcome you into school on Wednesday 16th November at 9:15am for an open morning. You are invited to join your child/ren in class to carry out an art task together. This may be creating a piece of art or developing an aspect of our indoor or outdoor environment. If you have a particular artistic ability, do let us know so we can put your skill to great use.

If you intend on joining us, please complete this [form](#) so we know how many people to expect.

## SCHOOL POLICE OFFICER - FRIEND OR FOE Y4 & BULLYING Y5

"Cez came into school to teach us about how to keep safe. We were figuring out what to do in different situations, so we had these big cards saying things like, if you were home alone and somebody called, what would you do? If someone knocked on the door and said they were from the gas company, what would you do? We talked about the different things we could do and she told us the right way to respond. We now know not to trust people we don't know and not to let people into the house unless they are people you know." gan Mila & Finn

"PC Law came into school and she showed us a video of this little girl called Anwen who was being babysat by her cousin, but it turned out that they weren't very responsible. We then spoke about bullying and the different types of bullying - verbal, physical, emotional and cyberbullying. We have learnt how damaging bullying can be for mental health in particular and we know that we should never bully. If it is happening to you, you must tell someone you trust, either at home or at school." gan Jack W, Lola & Tilly



# Weekly Newsletter

## 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 Reception	Blwyddyn Un	Blwyddyn Dau	Blwyddyn Tri	Blwyddyn Pedwar	Blwyddyn Pump	Blwyddyn Chwech
Bow Evelyn Ronan	Anna Florence Max	Betsy D Daniel Oliver S	Effie Olivia Rhys	Danny Rose Theo	Jasmine Luke Ruby	Ayla Evie D Sam

## Diary Dates 2022/23

### Autumn Term 2022

**Any new information or changes will be highlighted**

**Mon 7<sup>th</sup> Nov** - Back to School

**Wed 9<sup>th</sup> Nov** - Y6 swimming this half term (every week until Christmas)

**Wed 9<sup>th</sup> Nov** - School Police Officer - Safer Relationships Y6

**Thu 10<sup>th</sup> Nov** - Pupil Committee Meetings

**Fri 11<sup>th</sup> Nov** - Flu immunisation - all classes

**Sun 13<sup>th</sup> Nov** - Heddlu Bach & Community Ambassadors - Remembrance Parade 10:40am

**Mon 14<sup>th</sup> Nov** - School photos - including siblings

**Wed 16<sup>th</sup> Nov** - Open Morning for parents 9:15am

**Thurs 17<sup>th</sup> Nov** - Y5 Playmakers course

**Fri 18<sup>th</sup> Nov** - Children in Need day

**Mon 21<sup>st</sup> Nov** - Governors' Meeting

**Thu 24<sup>th</sup> Nov** - Chepstow Football Festival - non-competitive, so those interested will have their names pulled out of a hat

**Thu 24<sup>th</sup> Nov** - Pupil Committee Meetings

**Fri 25<sup>th</sup> Nov** - Rags to Riches Collection

**Fri 2<sup>nd</sup> Dec** - Christmas Fayre - 3:45-6pm

**Mon 5<sup>th</sup> Dec** - Tîm Helyg Dress Rehearsal

**Wed 7<sup>th</sup> Dec** - Tîm Helyg Concert 2pm

**Wed 7<sup>th</sup> Dec** - Tîm Coed Coch Dress Rehearsal



**Thu 8<sup>th</sup> Dec** - Pupil Committee Meetings

**Fri 9<sup>th</sup> Dec** - Tîm Coed Coch Concert 2pm

**Mon 12<sup>th</sup> Dec** - Tîm Derwen Dress Rehearsal

**Mon 12<sup>th</sup> Dec** - Rec & Y1 to Panto

**Tues 13<sup>th</sup> Dec** - Y4, 5 & 6 to Panto

**Wed 14<sup>th</sup> Dec** - Y2 & Y3 to Panto

**Wed 14<sup>th</sup> Dec** - Tîm Derwen Concert 2pm (change in time)

**Thu 15<sup>th</sup> Dec** - Tîm Helyg to perform at Itton Church 10am

**Mon 19<sup>th</sup> Dec** - Y6 Carol Concert at Shirenewton Church 6pm

**Mon 19<sup>th</sup> Dec** - Tîm Coed Coch Christingle Service at Shirenewton Church (no parents at this event)

**Friday 23<sup>rd</sup> Dec** - INSET Day

**Mon 26<sup>th</sup> Dec to Fri 6<sup>th</sup> Jan** - Christmas Holiday

## Spring Term 2023 - Key Dates

**Mon 9<sup>th</sup> Jan** - Back to school

**Wed 11<sup>th</sup> Jan** - Y3 swimming all term

**Mon 23<sup>rd</sup> Jan** - Governors Meeting

**Fri 3<sup>rd</sup> Feb** - Dydd Miwsig Cymru

**Thur 9<sup>th</sup> Feb** - PTA Disco

**Wed 15<sup>th</sup> Feb** - Y5 to Gilwern for 2 days

**Thur 16<sup>th</sup> Feb** - Y6 Urdd Football Competition

**Mon 20<sup>th</sup> Feb to Fri 24<sup>th</sup> Feb** - Half Term Holiday

**Mon 27<sup>th</sup> Feb** - Back to School

**Wed 1<sup>st</sup> Mar** - Eisteddfod

**Fri 3<sup>rd</sup> Mar** - Eisteddfod Coffee Morning 9:15am

**Tue 7<sup>th</sup> Mar** - Rec to Y6 Parents' Evening 4-7pm

**Thu 9<sup>th</sup> Mar** - Rec to Y6 Parents' Evening 4-7pm

**Mon 13<sup>th</sup> Mar** - Governors' Meeting

**Tues 28<sup>th</sup> Mar** - Rags to Riches collection

**Thu 30<sup>th</sup> Mar** - Easter Assembly 9:30am

**Fri 31<sup>st</sup> Mar** - Last day for pupils

**Mon 3<sup>rd</sup> Apr to Fri 14<sup>th</sup> Apr** - Easter Holiday

## Summer Term 2023 - Key Dates

**Mon 17<sup>th</sup> Apr** - Back to school

**Wed 19<sup>th</sup> Apr** - Year 4 swimming all term

**Mon 1<sup>st</sup> May** - May Day (school closed)

**Mon 15<sup>th</sup> May** - Governors' Meeting

**Mon 5<sup>th</sup> Jun** - Back to school

**Fri 9<sup>th</sup> Jun** - Reserve Sports Day

**Fri 16<sup>th</sup> Jun** - School photos

**Sat 24<sup>th</sup> June** - Summer Fayre

**Fri 14<sup>th</sup> July** - Hogroast

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**Fri 19<sup>th</sup> May** - Sports Day 9:15am (Y4-6) & 1:30pm (Rec-Y3)

**Fri 26<sup>th</sup> May** - INSET Day

**Mon 29<sup>th</sup> May to Fri 2<sup>nd</sup> Jun** - Half Term Holiday

**Mon 3<sup>rd</sup> Jul** - Governors' AGM Meeting

**Wed 5<sup>th</sup> Jul** - Y5 Transition morning at Chepstow School

**Tues 11<sup>th</sup> Jul** - Y6 Transition Day at Chepstow School

**Wed 12<sup>th</sup> Jul** - Y6 Transition Day at Chepstow School

**Fri 21<sup>st</sup> Jul** - Y6 Leavers assembly 9:30am

Please note - 3 additional INSET Days will be added to the calendar later on in the year.

## COMMUNITY CORNER

  
Urdd

  
WELSH ATHLETICS  
ATHLETAU CYMRU



**Trawsgwlad Ysgolion Cynradd De Cymru  
Primary School Cross Country South Wales  
19.11.2022**

**Maes Sioe Fynwy - NP25 4LG  
Monmouthshire Show Ground NP25 4LG**

**Categorïau Cystadlu  
Competition Categories**

**Merched Bl.3-4  
Merched Bl.5-6  
Bechgyn Bl.3-4  
Bechgyn Bl.5-6**

  
1872 PRIFYSGOL  
**ABERYSTWYTH**  
UNIVERSITY



## Chwarae Clai Anifeiliaid yr Hydref

Mae'r dail yn troi eu lliw ac mae ein bywyd gwyllt bendigedig yn paratoui ar gyfer y dyddiau oerach sydd o'n blaenau. Galwch heibio ac ymunwch â ni am hwyl hanner tymor am ddim gyda'n dyddiau chwarae clai anifeiliaid yn yr hydref.

Dydd Iau 27<sup>ain</sup> Hydref  
Dydd Llun 31<sup>ain</sup> Hydref  
Dydd Mawrth 1<sup>af</sup> Tachwedd  
Dydd Iau 3<sup>ydd</sup> Tachwedd

Neuadd Dril Cas-gwent  
Neuadd y Sir, Trefynwy  
Amgueddfa a Chastell y Fenni  
Neuadd Dril Cas-gwent

Mae pob sesiwn yn rhedeg 11.00 – 3.00 Nid oes angen archebu  
Rhaid i blant fod yng nghwmni oedolyn

## Autumn Animal Clay Play

The leaves are turning and our wonderful wildlife is getting ready for the colder days ahead. Drop in and join us for free half term fun with our autumn animal clay play days.

Thursday 27<sup>th</sup> October  
Monday 31<sup>st</sup> October  
Tuesday 1<sup>st</sup> November  
Thursday 3<sup>rd</sup> November

Chepstow Drill Hall  
Shire Hall, Monmouth  
Abergavenny Museum and Castle  
Chepstow Drill Hall

Each session runs 11.00 – 3.00 No booking required  
Children must be accompanied by an adult



**HALLOWEEN ACTIVITIES**  
**AT OLD STATION TINTER**

 

 **MONDAY 31<sup>st</sup> OCTOBER,**  
**THURSDAY 3<sup>rd</sup> & SATURDAY 5<sup>th</sup> NOVEMBER**

**11:00am - 3:00pm** | **FREE ACTIVITIES**

- Halloween craft activities will include your own broom stick making, pinecone spiders and spiderwebs.
- Halloween themed cakes and treats in the Tearooms





★ THE "LEGENDARY" ★  
SHIRENEWTON MARKET  
RETURNS SAT 26<sup>TH</sup> NOV  
10.30 - 12.30  
★ AT THE REC HALL ★

