

Once again, thank you so much to those of you who volunteered your time last Saturday.

You can have a break this weekend! Look out for some more dates coming up. We will focus on a series of jobs which will hopefully see the grounds and our environment continue to improve.

Macmillan Coffee Morning

A great turnout for our coffee morning today. Diolch. It was lovely to chat to you. If you didn't get a chance to get here, you can still contribute by using the QR code below to make a donation or by following the link



[Donation amount - JustGiving](#)

Covid

We have had a few enquiries regarding what to do regarding children and young people aged 18 and under who have symptoms of a respiratory infection, including COVID-19.

I refer to you the guidance below, the text beneath taken directly from the Welsh Government website:

<https://www.gov.wales/guidance-people-symptoms-respiratory-infection-including-covid-19#86590>

Respiratory infections are common in children, particularly during the winter months.

For most children and young people, these illnesses will not be serious. Very few become seriously unwell. This is also true for children and young people with long-term conditions. However, some children under 2 can become more seriously unwell from a respiratory condition called RSV. This includes those born prematurely or with a heart condition.

Attending education is important for children and young people's development, health and well-being. The long-term impact of missing education should not be underestimated.

Children and young people with mild symptoms can continue to attend their education setting. Mild symptoms include a runny nose, sore throat, or slight cough, in children who are otherwise well.

They should be encouraged to cover their mouth and nose with a disposable tissue when coughing and/or sneezing. They should wash their hands after using or disposing of tissues.

Children and young people who are unwell and have a high temperature should stay at home. They should avoid contact with other people where they can. They can go back to their setting when they no longer have a high temperature and are well enough to attend.

It can be difficult to know when to seek help if your child is unwell. If you are worried about your child, especially if they are aged under 2 years old, then you should seek medical help.

Free COVID-19 tests are no longer available for most people and they should follow the above advice if they experience symptoms. If you do have a positive result, guidance on the link above is also available.

Pupil Talents and Achievements

Thank you for continuing to share your talents and achievements

Shirenewton School @shirenewtonsch · 17h
 Diolch yn fawr for sharing your wonderful talents and achievements 🥳👏
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It's been a busy few weeks for George who has recently met Gareth Bale at a tournament where he played 36 holes over 2 days in awful conditions. Most recently he won a competition at the Ping Finals at Builth Wells under 10s on Saturday. Da iawn, George!



Chepstow Show Winners

Llongifarchiadau to those children who entered the competition this summer. We had lots of success, and were winners of the Itton Shield this year - Gwaith da, Shirenewton!



Shirenewton School @shirenewtonsch · 1h
 A brilliant morning of cross country @chepstowschool this week. The children really enjoyed the opportunity and showed great perseverance! Da iawn pawb! @shi_healthaole



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Cross Country

Our school took part in the Chepstow Cluster Cross Country Festival on Monday. Everyone who participated did really well - their effort and commitment over challenging distances was very impressive! Da iawn! Without your financial contributions to events like this, we would not be able to attend, so a thank you from the school for helping us give the children these experiences.

This week we have been...

2 Shirenewton Year 2 @Shire_Year2

Developing our coding skills using a variety of resources. Building, programming and exploring 🤖 @Shire_STEM @shirenewtonsch



3 Shirenewton Year 1 @Shire_Year1 · 4h
We went on an early Autumn hunt around the school grounds. #forestschoolfriday #Shire_STEM



R Shirenewton Reception @Shire_Reception

Today we were perfect p-p-p pirates! We dressed up, made masks made our own treasure maps. @shiljcaole @shire_arts



5 Shirenewton Year 5 @Shire_Year5 · 1h

A busy morning in blwyddyn 5 recording our oracy linked to the Romulus and Remus story using our own story maps. @shiljcaole @shirenewtonsch



6 Shirenewton Year 6 @shirenewton_6 · 22h

Creating role plays today as we think about plot lines and dialogue for our 500 word stories... @shirenewtonsch @shiljcaole @shire_arts #500words



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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
Lowenna Poppy Huxley	Reggie Isabelle Isla	Jemima Oscar Penelope	Mason Ffion Finley	Francesca Daniel Anwen	Aladin R Halli-May Henry G	Max G Elliot Amelie

Diary Dates 2023/24

New information highlighted in yellow

Autumn Term 2023	
<p>Monday 2nd October - Governing Body Meeting</p> <p>Saturday 14th October - Shirenewton ShAMBLE</p> <p>Sunday 15th October - Shirenewton ShAMBLE</p> <p>Friday 20th October - Preloved Uniform Sale (after school)</p> <p>Monday 23rd to Thursday 26th October - Parent Consultations this week</p> <p>Thursday 26th October - Y4 and Y5 Romans trip</p> <p>Friday 27th October - School closes for half term</p>	<p>Monday 6th November – Back to School</p> <p>Tuesday 7th November - Rags to Riches</p> <p>Wed 9th November – Y6 swimming this half term (every week until Christmas)</p> <p>Sunday 12th November - Remembrance Sunday</p> <p>Wed 15th November - Open Morning for parents 9:15am</p> <p>Fri 17th November - Children in Need day</p> <p>Mon 27th November - Governors' Meeting</p> <p>Monday 4th December – Tim Helyg Dress Rehearsal</p> <p>Wednesday 6th December – Tim Helyg Concert 2pm</p> <p>Saturday 9th December - Christmas Fayre</p> <p>Monday 11th December – Tim Derwen Dress Rehearsal</p> <p>Wednesday 13th December - Tim Derwen Concert 2pm</p> <p>Tuesday 19th December – Y2 and 3 to Itton Church</p> <p>Thursday 21st December - Last day of Autumn Term</p> <p>Friday 22nd December – INSET Day school closed to pupils</p> <p>Mon 25th December to Friday 7 January - Christmas Holiday</p> <p>Monday 8th January - INSET Day school closed to pupils</p>

CHICKENS IN NEED!

Our lovely chickens are searching for a new home. Need to be homed together. Need to be aware of the challenges having a cockrel will bring!

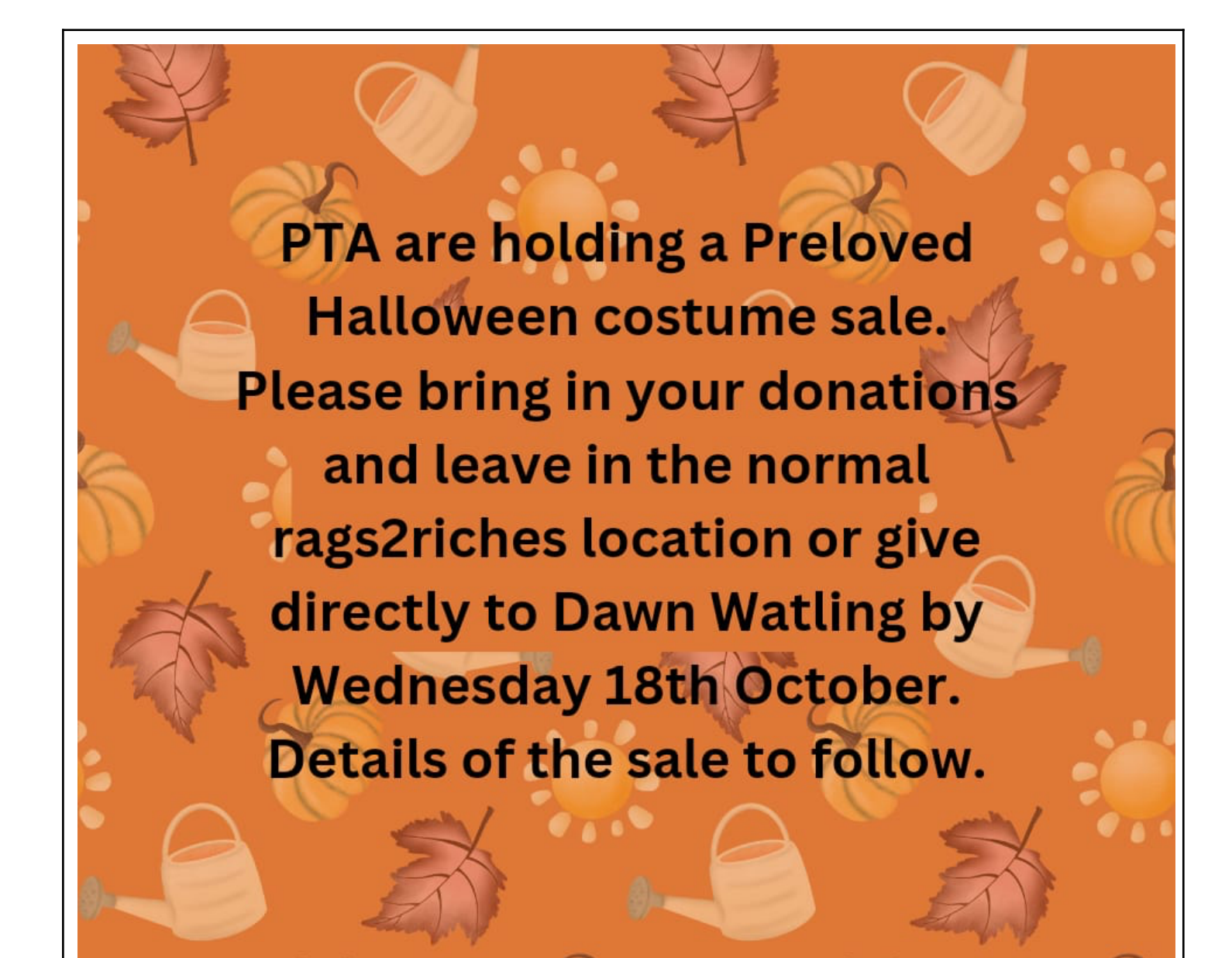
(They will come with a plastic coup)

WE HAVE 2 HENS AND A
BANTAM COCKREL



PLEASE CONTACT LUCY ON :

LUCY@LUCYFARRCOUNSELLING.CO.UK



**PTA are holding a Preloved
Halloween costume sale.
Please bring in your donations
and leave in the normal
rags2riches location or give
directly to Dawn Watling by
Wednesday 18th October.
Details of the sale to follow.**



ShAMBLE 2023 - Sat 14th & Sun 15th October.

ShAMBLE news - The Rec Hall is booked for the Saturday night of ShAMBLE! Don't miss the opening night party! We will have a selection of wine, beer and soft drinks available at **last year's prices!** It's family friendly, everyone is welcome.

You might have spotted some ShAMBLE info pinned up on the village notice boards and in the old telephone box over the Summer. We will soon be visiting the scrap store to buy more art materials for the community, watch this space!

ShAMBLE 2023 registration is now open! Register by 30th September please.

Go to: www.shirenewtonshamble.org.uk and follow the instructions...

The theme this year is **children's books.**

Dates for your diary; Registration to decorate a window closes 30th September.

2pm 1st October - 'craft, cake & conversation' at the Rec Hall. We will have art materials available for everyone to have (for a small donation). A nice excuse for a chat & a cuppa! All welcome.

Clerk / Responsible Financial Officer

Shirenewton Community Council serves the communities of Shirenewton, Mynyddbach, Earlswood and Newchurch West. Due to a change in circumstances, we are re-advertising for a new Council Clerk / RFO to deliver the Council's priorities and statutory requirements.

The Clerk will be both the 'Proper Officer' and 'Responsible Financial Officer' of the Community Council, responsible for executing its legal, financial and administrative requirements. The Clerk will administer the Community Council's affairs and act as representative of the Council in relation to a range of local bodies and organisations including officers and councillors of Monmouthshire County Council and outside contractors.

The person we're looking for will be an excellent communicator both in speech and writing and will be a well organised and flexible problem solver. The duties of Community Council Clerk / RFO involve mainly working from home and also require attendance at monthly evening and occasionally daytime meetings.

This is a part-time post of 15 hours per week, the salary range is £22,369 to £26,845, pro rata, LC1 (SCP 7-17) on the NJC pay scales 2022-23. The appointment will be made subject to satisfactory references and probation period.

The information pack and application form can be downloaded from our website:
www.shirenewtoncc.org.uk

The closing date for applications is midnight on 29th September 2023

Interviews will be held on 6th October 2023

If you have any questions, please contact the Chair, Philip Butterworth
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Email: - philip.b@shirenewtoncc.org.uk



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Volunteer with us



A gallech fod yn gefn mawr i deulu yn eich cymuned.

Am fwy o wybodaeth cysylltwch â ni yn info@homestartcymru.org.uk

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For more information contact us at info@homestartcymru.org.uk

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Would your child like to learn to play the piano?

Experienced teacher has a few rare vacancies for weekly lessons.

I teach from beginner to beyond grade 8 (usually ABRSM) and have a long track record of exam success.

But it's not just about exams! The point of learning the piano is to become a proper musician, able to play in any style: classical, contemporary, jazz, or whatever you love the most.

Reasonable rates. Earlswood-based.

Please contact jazzykazmusic@gmail.com for further details.

Karen Millar DipABRSM CTABRSM

Member EPTA.