

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



25th November 2022
Edition 12

New Newsletter Format

We are trialling ways to get the Newsletter to as many people as possible in different accessible ways. To this end, we have developed a new way of presenting the information using Microsoft Sway. Please click on the link to access it, and let us know whether or not it is a useful, easier way of reading the newsletter electronically. We would appreciate your feedback through the form (see link below) in the new format - diolch yn fawr.

<https://forms.office.com/r/cRxwnkRYuj>

DIOLCH YN FAWR!

A fantastic effort! Our children looked great, ParentPay worked well for collecting the donations and a great effort by all - diolch yn fawr



GOVERNORS' REPORT TO PARENTS

Message from the Governors

We were very pleased to welcome Mr Penn to our School at our recent Governors' Meeting and we are excited to work with him over the coming years!

We are also pleased to welcome Mr Jamie Goddard to our board of Governors as a Local Authority Governor. Mr Goddard is Deputy Head Teacher at Chepstow School and is looking forward to supporting the link between our two schools.

The Annual Report to Parents for the academic year 2021-2022 is now published on the school website under the Governors tab [here](#). It includes a lot of new information, including how the School worked to deliver changes in Curriculum, Wellbeing and ALN last year. We hope you find it informative and if you have any queries, please contact me via the office.

Jane Eickhoff
Chair of Governors

FOOTBALL FESTIVAL

Y3-6 had a wonderful, albeit slightly damp end to the football festival on Thursday. All the children played with great sportsmanship, enthusiasm and determination and loved representing our school.



STAFF TRAINING

On Tuesday 29th November, all of the staff will be going to training in Newport so we will need to try and leave swiftly at the end of the day. Please could you support us by picking up in a timely manner and making your way off site as soon as possible. Thanks in anticipation.

CHRISTMAS FAYRE

One week to go until our Christmas Fayre on Friday December 2nd at 15:30! The PTA have asked for the following donations to be sent in if possible:

Books
Bottles
Chocolates
pre-loved teddies

Please can these be sent into school by **Thursday 1st December**.

A separate letter from the PTA has been sent out this afternoon with more details

Important - For the Fayre on Friday 2nd, please send a letter in with your child if you are attending the event, informing us that you are collecting them. They can then be collected from the classroom doors at 15:30 and be taken to the event.

WREATH ORDER FORM

Y5 will be making and selling wreaths again this year. If you would like to order one to pick up at the fayre, please complete the form on this [link](#). Diolch yn fawr.

CHRISTMAS CONCERTS

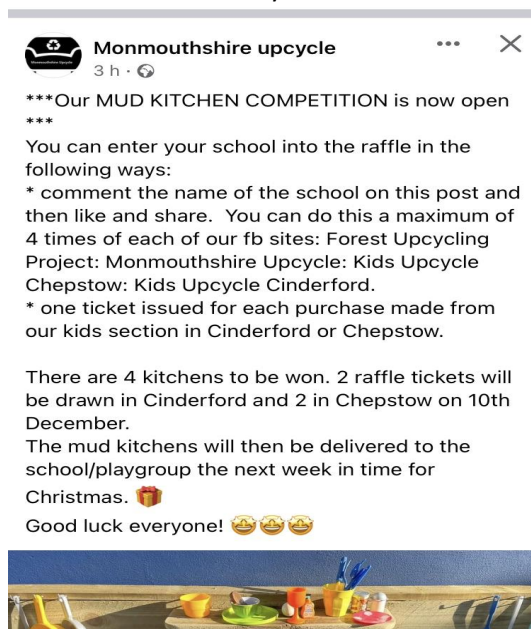
Due to the capacity in the hall, each child will be given two tickets for each of the Tîms performances. If you are unable to attend, please return any spare tickets to school so they can be reallocated if needed.

INVITATION TO GRANDPARENTS

We love Christmas! We know you do too, and this year, we would like to try to share our Christmas Performances with as many family members as possible. Whilst we can't invite everyone in, we can send an invitation to grandparents for our dress rehearsals. Dates for these rehearsals can be found in the Diary Dates section below.

MUD KITCHEN COMPETITION

We are always on the lookout for ways to update and improve our learning environment - You could help us to win a new Mud kitchen for our children. If you are on facebook, can you help out? See below and search on facebook - Diolch yn fawr



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
Chloe Freya Noah	Ruby George Eres	Eres George Ruby	Effie Harry Walter	Harry Isla Lucas	Lola Oliver William	Anwen Hugo Jack R

Diary Dates 2022/23

Autumn Term 2022

Any new information or changes will be highlighted

Fri 2nd Dec - Christmas Fayre - 3:45-6pm

Mon 5th Dec – Tîm Helyg Dress Rehearsal

Tues 6th Dec – Tîm Coed Coch Dress Rehearsal 10am - change of date

Wed 7th Dec – Tîm Helyg Concert 2pm

Thu 8th Dec - Pupil Committee Meetings

Fri 9th Dec - Tîm Coed Coch Concert 2pm

Mon 12th Dec – Tîm Derwen Dress Rehearsal

Mon 12th Dec – Rec & Y1 to Panto

Tues 13th Dec – Y4, 5 & 6 to Panto

Wed 14th Dec – Y2 & Y3 to Panto

Wed 14th Dec - Tîm Derwen Concert 2pm (change in time)

Thu 15th Dec - Tîm Helyg to perform at Itton Church 10am

Mon 19th Dec – Y6 Carol Concert at Shirenewton Church 6pm

Mon 19th Dec – Tîm Coed Coch Christingle Service at Shirenewton Church (no parents at this event)

Wed 21st Dec - Christmas Dinner and Christmas Jumper Day in School

Friday 23rd Dec – INSET Day

Mon 26th Dec to Fri 6th Jan - Christmas Holiday

Spring Term 2023 – Key Dates

Mon 9th Jan - Back to school

Wed 11th Jan – Y3 swimming all term

Mon 23rd Jan - Governors Meeting

Fri 3rd Feb – Dydd Miwsig Cymru

Thur 9th Feb - PTA Disco

Wed 15th Feb - Y5 to Gilwern for 2 days

Thur 16th Feb - Y6 Urdd Football Competition

Mon 20th Feb to Fri 24th Feb - Half Term Holiday

Mon 27th Feb – Back to School

Wed 1st Mar - Eisteddfod

Fri 3rd Mar - Eisteddfod Coffee Morning 9:15am

Tue 7th Mar - Rec to Y6 Parents' Evening 4-7pm

Thu 9th Mar - Rec to Y6 Parents' Evening 4-7pm

Mon 13th Mar - Governors' Meeting

Tues 28th Mar - Rags to Riches collection

Thu 30th Mar - Easter Assembly 9:30am

Fri 31st Mar - Last day for pupils

Mon 3rd Apr to Fri 14th Apr - Easter Holiday

Summer Term 2023 – Key Dates

<p>Mon 17th Apr – Back to school</p> <p>Wed 19th Apr - Year 4 swimming all term</p> <p>Mon 1st May - May Day (school closed)</p> <p>Mon 15th May - Governors' Meeting</p> <p>Fri 19th May - Sports Day 9:15am (Y4-6) & 1:30pm (Rec-Y3)</p> <p>Fri 26th May – INSET Day</p> <p>Mon 29th May to Fri 2nd Jun - Half Term Holiday</p>	<p>Mon 5th Jun – Back to school</p> <p>Fri 9th Jun - Reserve Sports Day</p> <p>Fri 16th Jun – School photos</p> <p>Sat 24th June -Summer Fayre</p> <p>Fri 14th July - Hogroast</p> <p>Mon 3rd Jul - Governors' AGM Meeting</p> <p>Wed 5th Jul – Y5 Transition morning at Chepstow School</p> <p>Tues 11th Jul – Y6 Transition Day at Chepstow School</p> <p>Wed 12th Jul – Y6 Transition Day at Chepstow School</p> <p>Fri 21st Jul - Y6 Leavers assembly 9:30am</p>
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Please note – 3 additional INSET Days will be added to the calendar later on in the year.

COMMUNITY CORNER



FREE FOOTBALL TASTER SESSIONS

Is your child in Y1 or Y2?
Are they interested in playing football?

We are offering free sessions from
Saturday 3rd December at 10am
at St Arvans Playing Fields

If you are interested...

EMAIL SECRETARY@GARDENCITYJFC.COM

Players will need to wear football boots, shin
pads and bring a water bottle





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	Dydd Mercher	Wednesdays
	4:30pm - 5:30pm	4:30pm - 5:30pm
	Astro Turf	Astro Turf

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25th November

Shire hall
Monmouth
10am - 3pm

29th November

Waitrose
Abergavenny
1pm - 6pm

6th December

Abergavenny
Market Hall
10am - 3pm

7th December

Waitrose
Abergavenny
1pm - 6pm

9th December

Caldicot Hub
10am - 3pm

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