

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



**19th May 2023**  
**Edition 29**

**Please see this week's newsletter**

## Sports Day

An outstanding effort by all involved today! The children performed superbly. Thank you all for your attendance and support, it is really appreciated. The sportsmanship on show was lovely. A special mention to Oliver who stopped during one of the races to check on his friend who had fallen, and they then went on to finish the race together. Ardderchog!

Results will be shared in assembly next week.

## RSE (Relationships and Sexuality Education) Parent Workshop Thursday 8th June at 9:15am

A reminder about the invitation to parents to school at the time and date above to take part in some information sharing about how we teach RSE at school. We will be joined by Sally Amos from Monmouthshire CC Healthy Schools Team. During the afternoon you will get a chance to hear about the resources and planning we use to deliver RSE in line with the new Curriculum.

Shirenewton School @shirenewtonsch · 14h  
Diolch yn fawr i @simonjamesgreen, a wonderful author who inspired and entertained us on his visit to school today. He had us enthralled with his stories and some of us were lucky enough to get a signed copy! Diolch yn fawr i @Bookishcrick for organising the event @shj\_ljcaole



Please let us know whether you will be attending by filling out the following form:  
<https://forms.gle/3z9yorJCBp7rmLeq8>

## Visiting Author

A huge diolch yn fawr to author @simonjamesgreen who shared his love for writing and comedy. A huge diolch to @Bookishcrick for organising the event. It is lovely to see others share their love of words, both spoken and written to inspire a love of literature

## Thank you - Keith Dunn OBE

As Keith steps down from our Governing Body due to a very busy schedule, I would like to share our thanks, on behalf of children, staff and Governors for his thoughtful and well informed contributions to governing body discussions over the last three years. Thank you also for your work with school in your capacity as Community Councillor and as Honorary Consul for the Japanese Embassy - your input has touched the lives of many children in the school.

## Parent Governors - Hello and Goodbye

I would also like to take the opportunity to welcome Dan Harris and Hannah Whittal as Parent Governors. Thank you for volunteering to become governors at our school - we are very glad to have you onboard, and

Keith Dunn OBE CMLJ @KeithMDunnOBE · May 17  
As I stand down after three years as a Governor at Shirenewton Primary School, representing the Community Council, I wish the School as a whole well as you move forward in providing excellent education for all. It has been a real pleasure to working with you all!



hope that you find the role interesting, fulfilling and rewarding! There were two applications and two spaces on the Governing Body and we are pleased that both Dan and Hannah have been able to fill them.

I would also like to express our sincere thanks and appreciation to Martin Boddy and Phil Terry for their excellent contributions to the school over a very long time. We are very grateful for all that you have done in helping to secure excellent outcomes for the lives of children in our school. Diolch yn fawr, iawn!

## This week we have been...

**R** Shirenewton Reception  
@Shire\_Reception

Super portraits! On Tuesday, we had to draw ourselves and tell the adults what we like about ourselves and then what we liked about the person sat next to them too! Some lovely drawings and answers!  
[@shire\\_arts](#) [@shi\\_healthaole](#) [@shi\\_llcaole](#) [@shirenewtonsch](#)



**1** Shirenewton Year 1 @Shire\_Year1 · May 18  
Number lines learning! [@shi\\_mathsaole](#)



**2** Shirenewton Year 2 @Shire\_Year2 · 4h  
Planting onions and green beans [@shi\\_healthaole](#)



**3** Shirenewton Year 3 @Shire\_Year3 · May 16  
Wonderful afternoon of sports day practise with @Shire\_Year2 😊☀️  
[@shi\\_healthaole](#) [@shirenewtonsch](#)



**6** Shirenewton Year 6 @shirenewton\_6 · May 16  
Enjoying the sunshine to record our Welsh conversations.  
[@shirenewtonsch](#) [@shire\\_cymraeg](#)



**4** Shirenewton Year 4 @Shire\_Year4 · May 16  
Heddiw we enjoyed connecting with some challenges outdoors.  
[@JigsawPSHE](#) [@shi\\_healthaole](#) [@shirenewtonsch](#)



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**5** Shirenewton Year 5 @Shire\_Year5 · May 16  
... ab carousel of activities this afternoon. I worked with a couple of groups in planning a trip to Sri Lanka, whilst the others continued with developing their scratch skills independently [@shirenewtonsch](#) [@shi\\_mathsaole](#) [@shire\\_dcf](#) [@Shire\\_STEM](#)



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Will be back next week, as Sports Day was in full effect today!

| Tîm Coed Coch                      |             | Tîm Helyg    |              | Tîm Derwen      |               | Tîm Collen      |
|------------------------------------|-------------|--------------|--------------|-----------------|---------------|-----------------|
| Dosbarth Reception                 | Blwyddyn Un | Blwyddyn Dau | Blwyddyn Tri | Blwyddyn Pedwar | Blwyddyn Pump | Blwyddyn Chwech |
| ★★★ Everyone's a winner today! ★★★ |             |              |              |                 |               |                 |

### Diary Dates 2022/23

#### Summer Term 2023 – Key Dates

**Any changes/additions to be highlighted in yellow**

**Mon 17<sup>th</sup> Apr** – INSET Day - school closed to pupils

**Tues 18<sup>th</sup> Apr** - Children 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 8<sup>th</sup> May** - Extra Bank Holiday, King's Coronation

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

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

**Fri 26<sup>th</sup> May** – INSET Day - school closed to pupils

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

**Mon 5<sup>th</sup> June** – Back to school

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

**Fri 16<sup>th</sup> June** – School photos

**Wed 21<sup>st</sup> June** - Y5/6 invited to watch evening cricket in Cardiff

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

**Fri 14<sup>th</sup> July** - Hog Roast

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

**Mon 3<sup>rd</sup> Jul** - Y6 to LLangrannog for 2 nights

**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



## COMMUNITY CORNER

### Clothing Bank at the Rec Hall

Please see the new addition to the Rec Hall – a new clothing bank in aid of Child & Teenage Cancer & Leukaemia Foundation – it's ready to take donations now.

Please don't leave items/bags if the clothing bank is full – it's going to be emptied weekly – so not long to wait for space to donate!

Thank you for your support.





## Rugby Taster Sessions Chepstow RFC

Come and learn basic rugby union skills.

Open to children who are new to rugby or who have recently started and want some extra support

**Wednesday 7<sup>th</sup> June @ 6pm**  
**Wednesday 14<sup>th</sup> June @ 6pm**

Sessions for children aged 8 to 14  
(School Yr 4 to Yr9)

Chepstow RFC, Upton Memorial Ground,  
Burnt Barn Road, Bulwark, Chepstow

To book a place contact  
[chepstowrfc.mj.chair@gmail.com](mailto:chepstowrfc.mj.chair@gmail.com)

*May Half-Term 2023*



# YOUTH CHOIR

## HALF TERM CHOIR COURSE

**Thursday 1st & Friday 2nd  
June 2023  
10am - 3pm**

**£20 MEMBERSHIP**

**AGES 7 - 12 WELCOME**

**HELD AT GWENTMUSIC  
HEADQUARTERS, MALPAS COURT  
PRIMARY SCHOOL NEWPORT NP20 6NS**



*scan the QR code to enroll*



Chepstow Agricultural Society Homecraft Committee  
invite you to

# A Coffee at Morning

**Newchurch Farm Shop**  
**By kind permission of**  
**Mrs Sarah Stone**

**Saturday 20<sup>th</sup> May 2023**  
**At 10:30am**  
Tickets £3 on the door



**Cake Stall • Bring & buy • Raffle**

