

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



**14<sup>th</sup> October 2022**  
**Edition 7**

## PARENT QUESTIONNAIRE

Diolch yn fawr to those who have responded to our communication questionnaire. We have taken on board your comments and as a result, will be making some changes in the coming weeks.

## HARVEST

Pastor Jon attended our school this week to kick off our Harvest season. He spoke about the importance of helping others and explained that we will be collecting food for the local foodbank. Donations can start coming in straight away so we can start reflecting on the donations in assemblies leading up to our Harvest Assembly. They have asked for the following foods in particular:



## PUPIL LEADERSHIP TEAM - CLUBS

One of PLT's responsibilities is to coordinate and run clubs in school. They have decided on the following for Y3-6:

Dydd Llun	Dydd Mawrth	Dydd Mercher	Dydd Iau	Dydd Gwener
Musical Monday (after half term)	Francais Fantastique!	Sensational Sports	Terrific Tech	Awesome Art

Y1-2 clubs are run by our super support staff as follows:

Dydd Mawrth	Dydd Iau	Dydd Gwener
Welsh Club	Craft Club - nature	Craft Club - outdoor

## BRASS DEMONSTRATION

"Gwent Music came in and played loads of brass instruments like the trumpet, trombone, french horn and tuba. He played songs and we had to guess what they were - Harry Potter, Star Wars and lots more! It was really fun and I would definitely consider playing an instrument. People who would want to play, could borrow one from Gwent Music." By Evan & Lola

If your child is interested in brass lessons, please go to their website [here](#)



## DIWRNOD SHWMAE

Diolch yn fawr to Criw Cymraeg, led by Miss Howell, who has organised and run a fantastic Shwmae Day. The children rotated around different activities in their houses, celebrating Wales and the Welsh language.

"I've been writing a song in Welsh with children from all the different classes. It was very hard, but I did enjoy it." Jessica Y4

"We were making model dragons out of clay. It was good working with the younger children because we could support them. It's a really fun morning so far!" Jessie & Evie C Y6

"We have gone into different classes, played games, sang songs and made a dragon. We worked together and had a really fun time!" Tilly, Chloe, Alys, Oscar & Xanthe Reception



## SHAMBLE WINDOW ART TRAIL

We're very excited, because this weekend is ShAMBLE! For those of you new to the village, this is an annual event where the community decorates their windows with a theme which, this year, is myths and legends. Community Ambassadors, led by Mrs Graham and Mrs Topley, have been working incredibly hard to complete their window which will be on display at The Rec and in the phone box. You are welcome to visit The Rec from 17:30-20:30 where you can pick up a drink, a hi-vis vest and take part in the window art trail. We hope you can support this wonderful community event that never disappoints.



## 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
Harry J Isla Jasper	Ava Jemima Oscar	Ava Ethan Laken	Daniel Digby Vira	Charlotte Grace Harry	Jack Lily Milana	Ayla Edward Izzy

## Diary Dates 2022/23

### Autumn Term 2022

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

**Sat 15<sup>th</sup> & Sun 16<sup>th</sup> Oct - SHAMBLE weekend**

**Wed 19<sup>th</sup> Oct - Tim Helyg to watch Owl at Home at The Riverfront**

**Thurs 20<sup>th</sup> Oct - Y6 Bronze YA to Gilwern**

**Thurs 20<sup>th</sup> Oct - Pupil Committee Meetings**

**Thurs 20<sup>th</sup> Oct - Y6 MonLife Youth Service sessions begin**

**Thurs 20<sup>th</sup> Oct - PTA Disco**

**Fri 21<sup>st</sup> Oct - PLT lunch with Governors**

**Fri 21<sup>st</sup> Oct - Y1 Hearing Screening**

**Tue 25<sup>th</sup> Oct - Y2 start Pedestrian Training**

**Tue 25<sup>th</sup> Oct - Rec to Y6 Parents' Evening 4-7pm**

**Wed 26<sup>th</sup> Oct - Harvest Assembly - in school only for children and staff**

**Thu 27<sup>th</sup> Oct - Rec to Y6 Parents' Evening 4-7pm**

**Thu 27<sup>th</sup> Oct - School Police Officer - Friend or Foe Y4 & Cyberbullying Y5**

**Mon 31<sup>st</sup> Oct to Fri 4<sup>th</sup> Nov - Half term Holiday**

**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 - 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 - Tim Helyg Dress Rehearsal**

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

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

**Mon 12<sup>th</sup> Dec - Tim 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 - Tim Derwen Concert 1:30pm**

**Thu 15<sup>th</sup> Dec - Tim 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 - Tim 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**



# Weekly Newsletter

## Spring Term 2023 - Key Dates

<b>Mon 9<sup>th</sup> Jan</b> - Back to school	<b>Mon 27<sup>th</sup> Feb</b> - Back to School
<b>Wed 11<sup>th</sup> Jan</b> - Y3 swimming all term	<b>Wed 1<sup>st</sup> Mar</b> - Eisteddfod
<b>Mon 23<sup>rd</sup> Jan</b> - Governors Meeting	<b>Fri 3<sup>rd</sup> Mar</b> - Eisteddfod Coffee Morning 9:15am
<b>Fri 3<sup>rd</sup> Feb</b> - Dydd Miwsig Cymru	<b>Tue 7<sup>th</sup> Mar</b> - Rec to Y6 Parents' Evening 4-7pm
<b>Thur 9<sup>th</sup> Feb</b> - PTA Disco	<b>Thu 9<sup>th</sup> Mar</b> - Rec to Y6 Parents' Evening 4-7pm
<b>Wed 15<sup>th</sup> Feb</b> - Y5 to Gilwern for 2 days	<b>Mon 13<sup>th</sup> Mar</b> - Governors' Meeting
<b>Mon 20<sup>th</sup> Feb to Fri 24<sup>th</sup> Feb</b> - Half Term Holiday	<b>Tues 28<sup>th</sup> Mar</b> - Rags to Riches collection
	<b>Thu 30<sup>th</sup> Mar</b> - Easter Assembly 9:30am
	<b>Fri 31<sup>st</sup> Mar</b> - Last day for pupils
	<b>Mon 3<sup>rd</sup> Apr to Fri 14<sup>th</sup> Apr</b> - Easter Holiday

## Summer Term 2023 - Key Dates

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

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

## COMMUNITY CORNER

**Shirenewton Bellringers**  
Invite you to an  
***Open Tower Evening***



***Come and see the bells***

***Find out about Change Ringing***

***Watch the bells being rung***

***Meet your local bell ringers***

**Friday 14<sup>th</sup> October**  
**7.00pm**

Week Beginning: 3rd October 2022

## Newsletter

HEAR IT  
PLAY IT  
LIVE IT  
**CERDD  
GWENT  
MUSIC**



### HOW TO ENROL

With the arrival of the new school year, we are delighted to announce that we are now back to teaching pupils face to face across all of our schools!

If you have parents of pupils at your school who would like to enroll their children into music tuition, Please direct them to our website:

[www.gwentmusic.co.uk](http://www.gwentmusic.co.uk)

When on the website, they need to click on the "Click Here for Enrolment" Button in the top right corner of the homepage, then make sure they choose the "School Direct Tuition" Option on the next page. They then need to enter the first few letters of the school name into the search box, then follow the prompts on screen.

### CREATIVE CLASSROOM

You can now contact us to arrange projects in line with our "Creative Classroom" curriculum, where musical projects are delivered to the class alongside an accompanying Story Book or Poem. If you would like to find out more information about what participating in a Creative Classroom project could offer your school, please feel free to get in touch!



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