

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



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

## MACMILLAN COFFEE MORNING



## PARENT QUESTIONNAIRE

Our Pupil Leadership Team attended the Macmillan Coffee Morning and asked some questions to those who attended. We wanted to explore some of the points raised further, so please could you complete this [questionnaire](#) about written communication to support us with our school development.

## DIWRNOD SHWMAE

On Friday 14<sup>th</sup> October, we will be celebrating all things Wales by having a Shwmae Day. **The children are invited to wear red, green and white to school** as we have a day of fun Welsh activities to encourage and celebrate speaking Welsh.

## SPEEDING VEHICLES

Unfortunately, we have noticed a lot more speeding in and around the school site and parents have also shared their concerns about this. Please be mindful of your speed when driving through the village and into school. Diolch yn fawr.

Again, the staff car park is for **STAFF ONLY** please. We've had incidents this week of children running out in front of staff's moving vehicles. Please use the parent car park - Diolch yn fawr.

## LIVE LESSONS

This week, Dosbarth 4, 5 & 6 have been benefitting hugely from live lessons organised by GALWAD and I'm History, get me out of here! The opportunity to chat online widens the children's knowledge and understanding of the world and equips them to be more ethically informed citizens of the future.



## CLUSTER MATHS REVIEW

We welcomed the cluster maths leads into school this week as they, along with Mrs Perry, carried out a cluster maths review. As a school and cluster, we are always looking to develop practice; learning from each other collaboratively has proven very successful in the past and we welcome the opportunity to do so again. We will reflect on the outcomes of the review as a staff next week and identify ways forward in our school.

## PUPIL COMMITTEE ACTION PLANS

At their first couple of meetings, the children have been discussing what their priorities are for the year ahead. Some of their ideas can be found below.

<b>Community Ambassadors</b>	Shambles display, run a firework safety campaign, take part in Remembrance, anti-bullying week and other community events
<b>Criw Cymraeg</b>	Weekly certificates, promote phrases, welsh playground games, Clwb Cymraeg and embed Campus Cymraeg Arian
<b>Digital Leaders</b>	Teach classes how to use technology, internet safety, typing skills and develop coding opportunities for children and staff
<b>ECO Committee</b>	Gardening, selling veg, recycling clothing and encourage recycling
<b>Healthy Schools</b>	Daily Mile, growth mindset, sports equipment, healthy eating and sports clubs
<b>School Council</b>	UNCRC - sharing children's rights and developing the school library

# Weekly Newsletter

## PGCE STUDENTS

We are incredibly fortunate to have three wonderful students working in school with us at the moment. Miss Jones & Miss Gregory, both from USW, will be having 2x4 week experiences in Y1 & Y4.

Mrs Denne is with us for the next two years whilst she completes her PGCE through the Open University, covering all classes from Rec-Y6. We would like to take this opportunity to welcome them into the school, although they have settled in so well already!

## PTA

Diolch yn fawr to those who attended our PTA meeting last night. There were loads of fresh ideas for future events and fundraisers which were very exciting. Some dates have been decided for this year, but the rest will be discussed in our next meeting on **Thursday 10th November at 6pm** in school.

Christmas Fayre - 2nd December 15:45-18:00

Disco - 9th February

Summer Fayre - 24th June

Hogroast - 14th July

## CHRISTMAS CARDS

All children will be coming home with their Christmas card design today. Please look at the reverse of the form for details regarding ordering.

All cards must be returned to school by **Friday 14th October**.

Diolch yn fawr for your support - this is always a great fundraiser for us.

## 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
Fynnley Ivy Tilly	Chloe Theon William	Betsy R Chloe Finley	Henry Jack JC Ruby R	Ava S Florrie Huw	Jude Myles Tilly	Jack R Oliver Oscar

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## Diary Dates 2022/23

### Autumn Term 2022

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

**Mon 10<sup>th</sup> Oct** - School Police Officer - People who help us Rec & Y1

**Wed 12<sup>th</sup> Oct** - School Police Officer - Right & Wrong Y2 & Internet Safety Y3

**Fri 14<sup>th</sup> Oct** - Diwrnod Siwmae/Shwmae Day

**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** - PTA Disco

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

**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

**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

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

Week Beginning: 3rd October 2022

# Newsletter

HEAR IT  
PLAY IT  
LIVE IT

## CERDD GWENT MUSIC

# Learn To Play!



### 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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