



# Ysgol Yr Holl Saint All Saints' School

A Voluntary Aided Church in Wales School



# Cylchlythyr – Newsletter – 09.06.2023

#### Dear parents and carers,

It is hard to believe that we are in the final half term of the school year already! It has been a very busy week in school this week and I am writing to you earlier than usual as I am attending the Year 5 and 6 Fieldwork Visit to Betws-y-Coed today. I have been really struck this week by the progress our pupils have made from September to now, seeing the work in their exercise books back in September and looking at their improvements to date really is testament to their very hard work and the excellent teaching and support they receive from the staff in school. We have almost completed class allocations for 2023/24 and these will be shared in due course as is the usual process. The decisions made in relation to classes take a great amount of time to ensure balance, friendships and numbers and once made are unable to be changed. I hope you have a lovely weekend and that the sun keeps shining! Diolch, Mr Hatwood.



#### Attendance and Punctuality

All schools in Wrexham have now adopted the Local Authority Attendance Policy. The school adheres to this policy to promote attendance and punctuality at school. Where a certain number of sessions are missed, letters are sent to advise parents/carers of their child's attendance and to offer support. Should further sessions be missed, a meeting with the Local Authority Attendance Officer will be held.

In cases where attendance remains a concern, the Local Authority can pursue a School Attendance Fixed Penalty Notice as a last resort.

As previously noted, following the Easter Holidays, the school will no longer authorise any holidays during term time and any requests for holidays during term time will be recorded as an unauthorised school holiday.

Thank you for your support and understanding in this matter.

### Food and Fun - (SHEP)

We will be sharing letters on Monday to confirm places on the Food and Fun Summer Programme. We received almost double the number of requests for places this year than we have funding to deliver.

Where places are granted, it is expected that pupils attend on the allocated days as failure to attend is taking the place of someone else who wanted this place.

Summer Holiday Club bookings will also open next week for those who need Breakfast Club before SHEP, Holiday Club in the afternoon following SHEP and also for those who did not request a place or who weren't successful in gaining a place to book Holiday Club.

### Performance - Year 3 & 4

On Tuesday next week our class will be working in their teams to put on a performance based on the book we have been reading in class, 'Escape from Pompeii'.





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### Mass & Capacity - Year 4

In our maths lessons we will be learning about mass and capacity. We took our lesson outside today to do some enquiry work. You can help your child at home by looking at weights on packaging and using scales in the kitchen to weigh out ingredients when cooking.





### Year 3 & 4 - Sign Language

Pupils in Year 3 and 4 have enjoyed an introduction to British Sign Language this week and have worked really hard to start to develop their skills.

They have written their spelling words and then practiced the sign for the letters. During the session, pupils spoke about the importance of communication and learning new languages and how we can communicate in a variety of ways, ensuring we are inclusive of the needs of everyone within our society.



Year 1 & 2 – Persuasive Writing

Pupils in Year 1 and 2 have been busy with their persuasive writing this week.

### Year 1 & 2 - Emotions and Feelings

Year 1 and 2 have continued to explore emotions and feelings this week as part of their KiVa work, looking at what we can do when we may feel sad or unhappy.





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#### Betws-y-Coed - Year 5 & 6

Pupils in Year 5 and 6 are visiting Betws-Y-Coed today are part of their studies on a fieldwork day! As part of their visit, they have been working hard to develop questionnaires, risk assessments and plans for the day to find out everything they need for their studies.





#### Reception -Mass & Numbers

Pupils in Reception have been busy this week exploring mass and numbers. They have been using Numicon shapes to look at the links between the varying weights of these and how to balance the scales!

Pupils had to concentrate very hard, explore and use their number bonds and work well as a team to achieve the correct result! Well done Reception!



#### Sun Safe

With the weather being warmer and more sunny, please ensure your child comes to school wearing sun screen and with a water bottle.

## School Logistics – School Meals and Parking

Could we please remind all parents and carers of the importance of pre-ordering school meals using Parent Pay. The system allows ordering until 8am on the day of booking to make the pre-orders. Where pre-orders are not made, phone calls will be made home to ask parents and carers to select a sandwich choice for their child or to bring a packed lunch into school. Thank you for the vast majority of parents/carers who use the system correctly.

The school campus is increasingly busy, could we please remind everyone to park responsibly, sensibly and considerately at drop off and pick up times. There is and will be an increased Police presence around the school site to support us in ensuring pupils are kept safe from traffic on their way to and from school and to ensure residents' driveways remain clear and that parking on double yellow lines and yellow zig zags does not take place. Thank you for your support and consideration in this very important matter.



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#### Year 5 & 6 - F1 in Schools

We were delighted to receive our winning trophies for the F1 in Schools Regional Finals held in Denbigh recently.

The organisers are just confirming which teams won the best engineered car and portfolio award and we will then be able to aware the prizes.

We are delighted with the success of the school in this competition and thank everyone involved, school staff, parents and carers and those wider groups who have sponsored teams for their support!

### Girls' Cricket Tournament

Our girls had a wonderful time at the cricket tournament yesterday and played exceptionally well! The sun was shining and the children certainly returned with big smiles on their faces! Well done indeed to everyone who took part!





#### Year 1 and 2 - Exploring Religion

It has been a pleasure to see the hard work of our Year 1 and 2 pupils this week as they have been researching independently into many global religions, what key symbols mean and what places of worship are called. Well done for working so hard, independently and as a team to produce such wonderful work!

With respect, friendship and care, we learn here and succeed anywhere



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"let your light shine before others, that they may see your good deeds and glorify your Father in Heaven." Matthew 5:16

#### Online Safety

It is timely to share the infographic here with parents and carers as we are being made aware of increasing numbers of younger pupils accessing materials online which are not age appropriate.

Whilst this is not taking place in school, there is often overspill and issues that have arisen online outside of school are increasingly causing difficulties in school. Could I ask that you please check your child's devices to ensure they are only accessing age appropriate content and that parental controls are in place. Thank you for your understanding.



#### Attendance and Punctuality

We continue to focus on improving attendance and punctuality at school, you can see how each class has been doing in the table below. Whole school attendance is lower than expected this week, mainly due to Chicken Pox and holidays taken during term time. Let's aim to increase attendance next week!



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Class	Attendance	Punctuality	Equates to:	100%	PERF
Nursery – Miss Williams	100%	0 sessions	SCHOOL	000/	
Early Years – Mrs Parker	91%	0 sessions	DAYS off each year	98%	IMPR
Early Years – Mrs Speed	93%	0 sessions	SCHOOL	060/	
Year 1/2 – Mrs Mort	94%	1 session	DAYS off each year	96%	GO
Year 1/2 - Mrs Dobie	81%	0 sessions	SCHOOL	OF0/	NEA
Year 1/2 – Mrs Wright	92%	0 sessions	9 DAYS off each year	95%	THI
Year 3 – Mrs Coombes	96%	1 session	SCHOOL	0.40.	NEED
Year 3/4 – Miss Sedgwick	94%	1 session	DAYS off each year	94%	IMPE
Year 4 – Mrs Shelmerdine	93%	2 sessions			
Year 5 – Mr Holmes	97%	0 sessions	SCHOOL DAYS off each year	90%	CONC (referred to Welfare / Persis
Year 5/6 – Mr Szymura	87%	0 sessions			
Year 6 - Miss Jones	95%	0 sessions	SCHOOL DAYS off each year	85%	SER
Whole School	92%	5 sessions	off each year		CONC
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