



Cylchlythyr – Newsletter – 21.04.2023

Dear parents and carers,

It has been lovely to be back in school after the Easter Holidays, I hope you all had time to relax and enjoy some of the nicer weather we had. We have several new pupils who have joined the school this week and we extend a very warm welcome to them and their families. On Wednesday, we welcomed Mrs Melanie Roberts, the Bishop's Visitor, to school. She spent time with staff and undertaking a learning walk with a focus on the ethos of the school. She also observed our Collective Worship and was very impressed with the work of our Worship Leaders and their contribution to Collective Worship. There are a large number of events and activities planned for the Summer Term, please do subscribe to the school calendar which can be found on the school website to ensure you are kept up to date with key events and activities. I hope you have an enjoyable weekend. 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.

School Meals

We have seen a very positive uptake of the **Universal Free School Meal** offer for pupils in Year 1 and 2 this week. Thank you for your support in placing orders for school meals in advance of 8am on the day that the meal is taken.

It is possible to order up to two weeks in advance of pupils taking the meal, and it is also possible to order sandwich lunches should your child not wish to take a hot school meal. The menu is available on Parent Pay.

Where school meals are not pre-ordered, staff will be contacting parents and carers to advise that a packed lunch will need to be brought into school.

Wonders of Wales

Pupils in Year 1 and 2 have been busy exploring the Seven Wonders of Wales this week as part of their studies and have worked hard to present their research and findings in innovative ways - well done indeed!



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



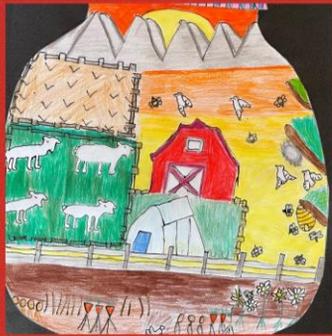
School Campus - Logistics

As our school continues to grow in size, there are pressures around the school entrance and exit ways at drop off and home times. We are currently working with the Local Authority to provide an additional entranceway to school which we hope will relieve pressure on the school access ways.

Could we please remind all parents and carers of the importance of parking responsibly, in respecting the accessible parking bays and the yellow zig zag areas around the school. Sadly, there are still pupils being let out of cars in the middle of the road on Clappers' Lane which puts them in danger of passing traffic. We continue to engage with the Police and Local Authority to help improve the safety of the roads and footways surrounding the school and thank you for doing your part in ensuring the area around school remains as safe as possible.

School Campus - Dogs

Could we remind all parents and carers that dogs are not permitted onto the school site at any time. (unless assistance dogs). Thank you for your support and understanding in this matter.



Urdd Eisteddfod

Good luck to our Urdd members Sofia and Charlotte. Their artwork has been entered into the regional Urdd competition and will be judged this weekend.

Rugby Skills

Pupils in Year 3 enjoyed the first of a series of rugby sessions this week. They demonstrated excellent listening and team working skills and participated very well in their session. Well done Year 3!



Extreme Earth

Extreme Earth is the new unit of work for pupils in Year 3 and 4 who will be exploring a variety of natural hazards and investigating how these impact on human life. As part of their studies this week, they have been making models and learning about the structure of the planet, how this creates hazards and what these hazards are.





Our Value of the Half Term is 'Service'

Gresford Governors' Clubs & Playgroup

As all employers face rising costs due to inflation and also due to increases in the National Minimum Wage, sadly, our Wrap Around Care is no different. The Governing Body, who operate the Gresford Governors' Clubs and Playgroup, have worked to ensure childcare prices remain as low as possible whilst ensuring the long term viability of the provision. It has been decided by the Management Committee that sessional charges will be increased for sessions booked from the **Monday 22nd May 2023** as follows:

	Breakfast Club	Teatime Club 4.30pm	Teatime Club 5.00pm	Teatime Club 5.30pm	Teatime Club 5.45pm	Playgroup Plus	Playgroup AM	Playgroup All Day	Early Education Wrap Around
Current Charge	£3.50	£4.00	£6.50	£8.00	£9.00	£20.00	£10.00	£35.00	£25.00
New Charge	£3.50	£5.00	£7.50	£9.00	£10.00	£20.00	£11.00	£36.00	£26.00
Variance	£0	£1.00	£1.00	£1.00	£1.00	£0	£1.00	£1.00	£1.00

Thank you for your understanding in relation to these changes. Whilst we understand the significant pressures our families are facing at the moment, we must ensure the long term sustainability of the setting which will allow it to continue to operate into the future for our families. Families who access the 30 Hour Childcare Offer will continue to have their costs absorbed, in the main, by the offer. Please contact childcare@allsaints-pri.Wrexham.sch.uk or playgroup@allsaints-pri.Wrexham.sch.uk with any questions or queries.

Extreme Earth

Year 4 have started work on their Extreme Earth topic by creating volcano databases. The children have researched and inputted data about volcanoes, formatted cells and added filters in Excel to make comparisons.



A COFFEE MORNING

We are holding a Coffee Morning in the Church House All Saints' Church Gresford on Saturday 22nd April at 10.30am until 12.00 midday. Home made cakes to eat and to buy together with raffles for variety of items. Everyone is welcome, and the event is in aid of All Saints' Church.





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

Dragon Bags – Eco Council Competition

After much hard work from our entire school community, we are delighted to announce the winning class from our recent competition.

A huge well done to **Mr Holmes' class** who collected the largest weight of clothing to be recycled, 815kg. Dragon Bags brought some Easter Eggs to thank the Eco Committee for leading the competition and saving kg of clothing from going to waste, raising over £1000 for the school.



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 and punctuality remain positive this week, and every pupil has arrived on time every day – well done everyone!



Class	Attendance	Punctuality
Nursery – Miss Williams	95%	0 sessions
Early Years – Mrs Parker	94%	0 sessions
Early Years – Mrs Speed	93%	0 sessions
Year 1/2 – Mrs Mort	97%	0 sessions
Year 1/2 – Mrs Dobie	95%	0 sessions
Year 1/2 – Mrs Wright	98%	0 sessions
Year 3 – Mrs Coombes	97%	0 sessions
Year 3/4 – Miss Sedgwick	89%	0 sessions
Year 4 – Mrs Shelmerdine	96%	0 sessions
Year 5 – Mr Holmes	97%	0 sessions
Year 5/6 – Mr Szymura	97%	0 sessions
Year 6 – Miss Jones	96%	0 sessions
Whole School	95%	0 sessions

