

Newsletter Week Beginning 25.11.24

Dear Families,

Can you believe we are at the end of November! Time surely does fly when you're having fun. I want to say a big thank you for your support for our Children in Need fundraiser, we raised £260.46. The current climate is hard for all families so we really appreciate your support in raising a great amount for a worthy cause. I met with our learner voice group 'Good to Give' this week and they have decided that they want to help by giving something back to the community. They would like to support a food bank from our community shop. This is something we will be working on in the Spring Term. If anyone has any connections or knows ways to support please get in touch.

A few things to update you with...

Estyn Interim Visit

Under the new Estyn inspection frame work they now visit schools twice within a 6 year cycle. The cycle for all schools under the new frame work began in September 2024. We have received notification that Estyn will visit the school next week for a 1 day interim visit.

Winter Olympics

As a result of the Estyn Interim visit we have moved the Winter Olympics day to Friday 6th for all learners. Please can learners wear trainers and warm sports clothing, including a hat and gloves.

Christmas Movie Night

We are so grateful for Gilwern Association of Parents organising a Christmas Movie Night next Wednesday 4th December. It is £5, payable on the night and learners will have hot chocolate and biscuits. Please follow the below link to express interest for your child/children to attend so we can cater effectively. All dietary needs will be catered for. The film choices:

Reception - Year 2 - The Muppets Christmas Carol or Elliot the Littlest Reindeer Year 3 - Year 6 - Home Alone or Christmas Chronicles

https://forms.office.com/e/bRmTuFRHfW

Christmas Plays

Christmas plays begin week commencing 9th December. Please can we ask that no more than 2 people attend each performance for each child. We don't ticket the event we trust families to support us in just using the seats they have allocated. We allow for 2 people to attend for each child for each performance. We offer two performances for each group of learners performing. Please can I remind you that no photographs or videos are to be taken of other children as not all children have permission to be recorded for dissemination. All recordings of your child/children are for personal use only and not to be shared via any form of social media. All costumes need to be in school no later than Monday 9th December in a bag with your child's name clearly labelled on each item of the costume. If anyone needs support with providing a costume please message me via Class Dojo. If anyone has any costumes that they are happy to donate to support the repurposing of costumes please drop them off at the main office.

As always many thanks for your continued support,

Mrs Edwards Headteacher



Key Dates

December

Tuesday 3rd - Relationships and Sexuality Education Parent Workshops

9am-10am Parents Reception - Year 2

2:15pm - 3:15pm Parents Year 3-6

Wednesday 4th - Christmas dinner and Christmas jumper day

Gilwern Association of Parents Christmas Film Night £5 on the door

3:15pm - 4:45pm Reception, Year 1 & Year 2

5:00pm - 6:30pm Years 3, 4, 5 & 6

Friday 6th - Whole School Winter Olympics Day - wear warm sports clothes

Tuesday 10th - Christmas Concert Year 3 & 42pm & 6pm

Wednesday 11th - Christmas Concert Year 5 & 6 2pm & 6pm

Thursday 12th - Lower Learning Phase Christmas Concert 2pm

Friday 13th - Lower Learning Phase Christmas Concert 2pm

Sunday 15th - Performing Arts Club learners Christmas Concert with Abergavenny Borough Band Clarence Hall Crickhowell- 2pm start

Monday 16th December - Christmas Party Reception - Year 2 Party clothes to be sent into school

Tuesday 17th December - Christmas Party Years 3-6 - Party clothes to be sent into school

Wednesday 18th - Whole School Pantomime - New Theatre, Cardiff

Thursday 19th - End of Autumn Term

Friday 20th - Training Day - School Closed

Training days
Friday 20th December 2024
Monday 3rd March 2025
Monday 16th June 2025
Monday 21st July 2025

