

Newsletter: Autumn Term, W/C 17th September
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Dear Parents and Carers,

All of our reception children arrived in school for a full day today and have had a fantastic day. I am sure they will have an exciting first whole week in school but will undoubtedly be exhausted by the time we get to Friday!

Meetings with Parents

Please note that all 'Meet the teacher' events are this week. We hope you are able to make it. Further information was provided in last week's newsletter.

Tuesday, 18th September- Year 1 to Year 3

Thursday, 20th September- Year 4 to Year 6

PFA

You are all very welcome to join the first meeting of our PFA on Friday in the school meeting room at 9am. We would love to have new members in addition to our already talented team.

Jeans for Genes Day

This Friday 21st September, we will be raising money for Jeans for Genes. Please note that all children may wear jeans on Friday (it will be a non-uniform day) and are asked to kindly donate £1 for this worthwhile cause.

Change in the weather

We kindly ask that, due to this inclement weather, children are provided each day with a coat as all children are encouraged to go outside at break and lunchtimes.

Donations from community councils- Smartboard Replacement Programme

The community councils of Marshfield, Coedkernew, Wentloog and Michaelston y Fedw have match funded our own in school fundraising to provide 2 new Smart TV's for the classrooms. This is a massive support to the school at such a budgetary challenging time. We wish to extend a huge 'thank you' to them for their care and support for the teaching and learning of the children of this school.

Funding from entrepreneurial week

The children in Key Stage 2 were given a presentation, which outlined a variety of items that they could possibly spend their money on. They were given their budget and the cost per item to help them make their choices. All classes then took a vote and the results were calculated. The top items on the list were purchased according to the budget. Very soon, we will have the following resources to enhance our digital competence curriculum.

Sphero

Microbit accessories

2 edison robots

Lego education

Brioxo inventor kit

Snap circuits junior

The Foundation Phase has yet to spend their money and are still considering options.

Sharing Celebrations

Congratulations to Ellie-Mai C (Year 5 PD) who has a part in this year's pantomime "Beauty and the Beast" at the New Theatre, Cardiff.

After School Clubs

We have had to split Performance Club for Year 2 (Mrs. Davies's class will attend before half term for 5 weeks and Miss Scrivens's class will attend for 5 weeks after half term).

We have also split Art Club (Year 4 before half term and Year 3 after half term).

The following clubs are now full:

Rugby

Football

Lego

Art Year 3

Move to Music

Pupil Voice- Key Stage 2

This year, we have decided to change the way in which pupil councils are organised. Previously, not all pupils had the opportunity to become involved in the councils. In line with our development plan, and our 'Rights Respecting' curriculum, we would like all our children to have a voice. We have compiled eight teams who will meet on a fortnightly basis. There will be an adult facilitator on each team but a pupil Chairperson elected by each group. Last week each facilitator pitched their ideas about the group in a special assembly. Pupils have been invited to apply for the team they would like to join. Pupils can write their letters of application and pop these in the post box next to Mrs. Lawrence-Dent's office by the 26th September. Good luck everyone!



Thank you for your continued support and cooperation.
Mrs. L. J. Lewis
Headteacher