



Newsletter

Trellech Primary School

Sports Afternoons

We were so fortunate with the wonderful summer weather for our Sports Days last week. We are sure you will agree that the pupils did magnificently despite the heat. It is always an honour to watch the children participate with encouragement from the wonderful visitors and from their peers. We always encourage all our learners to participate in every event and this is only possible by the encouragement of friends, relatives and staff. We would like to say a special thankyou to our wonderful PTFA once again for providing refreshments over the two afternoons.

Congratulations to Monnow, our winning house from the two afternoons.

We were also pleased to welcome Ryan and Lisa from the LA offering advice and support to families with regard financial challenges.

Thank you to those of you who shared feedback from the events which are invaluable in planning for the future. We would really like your feedback with regard the organisation as it is over two afternoons or whether you would prefer the event held on one day; morning and afternoon. Please let us know using the following link:

<https://forms.office.com/e/CDLck2uNgZ>

Reading in Trellech: Parent Workshop

This week saw our final family workshop take place for the academic year. Mrs Miles shared with Governors and Parents the Reading Journey in Trellech, giving information of strategies and approaches we use and how families can help at home. We were then joined by some Y4 pupils who completed their reading activities to exemplify some of the tasks completed in classes. Diolch to Y4 and Mrs Miles for informative session. We look forward to continuing these sessions in the Autumn Term and welcoming families into school.

Reporting to Parents

Following our Sharing Sessions and final parent consultation we now look forward to sharing your child's final report for the academic year, later in the term. As we have completed a full cycle of annual reporting we look to ensure the systems work for all. Please take a moment to complete the following form to ensure we meet the needs of the majority of our families. We have this year, held two sharing sessions, two Parent Consultations via School Cloud and shared information via your child's formal report in the Autumn, Spring and Summer Term. We look forward to your feedback.

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Sunshine Radio

Last week we welcomed Chris Bloomer from Sunshine Radio to discuss our wonderful school. He interviewed some of Ambassadors to hear all about Trellech and their aspirations for the future. You can hear this each evening between 4-6pm.

New Outdoor Kitchen

Last week, we were notified that we were the lucky winners of a wooden kitchen that has been added to our Foundation Phase Outdoor Learning Area. FR Ball who liaise with Mrs Peacock & Mrs Appleton to provide insurance quotations entered us in a draw to win a wooden kitchen from Wood U Believe It. This was delivered on Monday and the children have enjoyed making delectable drinks in their new kitchen!



Summer Term 2023

Weds 28th June: Rec Visit: Cattle Country

Thurs 29th June : PS3 Art Gallery Event

Fri 30th June: INSET Day School Closed to Pupils

Mon 3rd July: INSET Day School Closed to Pupils

Weds 5th July: Move Up Day

Tues 11th July: PS3 Summer Performance: 1.30pm

Weds 12th July: Y1 & Y4 School Trip

Weds 12th July: Y6 Cluster Swimming Gala

Weds 12th July: PS3 Summer Performance: 6pm

Fri 14th July: Y6 Safe Cycling

Weds 19th July: Y2/ 3 trip to Techniquet

Fri 21st July : Leavers Assembly—10am

Fri 21st July—End of Summer Term

Fri 1st Sept— Autumn Term commences: INSET Day School Closed to all Pupils

Mon 4th Sept: Autumn Term commences for all Pupils

Mon 3rd Oct: INSET— School Closed to Pupils

Fri 3rd May: INSET—School Closed to Pupil

Breakfast Club

Following the success of our Breakfast Club award we have been able to widen the offer for our pupils following their contribution. We are now proud to have Teacake Tuesday, Crumpet Thursday as well as yogurts now available. Further resources and activities have been introduced as a result of our prize including special events such Dance Fit Friday! We are very grateful to Mrs Light, Mr Webb and Mrs Richards for their commitment to ensuring our learners have a positive start to their day.



Class Structure for the forthcoming Academic Year

It is with great sadness that Miss Bowman leaves us at the end of the academic year. We would like to take the opportunity to thank Miss Bowman for everything she has done for our learners during the past couple of years. Following Miss Light's appointment as 0.6 teacher, Mrs Voaden has successfully been appointed for 3 days per week to support our learners, hence not leaving us in July as previously communicated.

Therefore the class structure for the forthcoming academic year is as follows:

Rec: Mrs Hassall, Miss Light & Miss Ward

Y1: Mrs Cotton & Mrs Worrall

Y2: Mr Green & Mrs Llewellyn

Y3: Miss Powell

Y4: Mrs Miles & Mrs Phillips

Y5: TBC following appointment of Acting Deputy Headteacher

Y6: Mrs Maunder & Mrs Body

HLTA & KS2 Support: Mrs Fawsitt, Mrs Voaden & Miss Light

Kayaking , Tennis and Sailing Success

Oliver and Lyra have once again been busy on the water and on the court!

Oliver has once again shown determination in his challenges on water in Bala over the weekend, winning the J10 category. We are very proud of his continuing development of skills.

Congratulations to Lyra in Year 5 for winning her tennis competition on Sunday in Cheddar. She was playing an 11U Grade 5 tournament and was up against players a year older than her. It was a tough final, which she won on a match tie break!

Former pupils Harry and Jack and George Sims continue to have success sailing, Jack has been selected to join a Cape 31 race team in Cowes this week, alongside professional sailors, world champions and Olympians as his team mates.

Last weekend Harry came joint 1st at the Welsh Junior Championships in Dale. At the same event George came 8th despite having only just moved into this larger class.

Amelia (Y5) sailed in the 4.2 class where she finished in the top 5 - this was a massive achievement in quite stormy conditions against much older/bigger sailors. Following great success at the 29er Youth Nationals, where they finished as top Welsh boat, this summer Jack and Harry will be competing together in the 29er National Championships and the 29er World Championships. George will be competing in the Topper National Championships. We are very proud of all our pupils (past and present) achievements.

PTFA Update

Thank you to Nick Stuart-Blamey for Chairing the PTFA for the last few years. He has been a brilliant chair, bringing huge positivity and enthusiasm to the role which has been reflected in the fantastic events he has headed. Nick's grand plans have taken discos to the next level, in particular the Halloween disco and Winter wonderland – the likes of which Trellech has not seen before. Under his guidance we have raised valuable funds for the school to the benefit of all our children, but most important of all to Nick, was that the children had fun as a community and made great memories of their time at Trellech, which he has certainly achieved. Sadly Nick will be stepping down from his role in September as his son moves on from Trellech, we are very grateful for all the time, effort and positivity you have put into the role, you will be missed.

Volunteers

This does mean that we are looking for someone else to take on the role of Chair in September, please get in touch if you are interested. With other parents from the PTFA also leaving the school we are also hoping others may like to help.

There are lots of ways you can help and support your child through the PTFA.

Helping out at events is crucial to us being able to hold them so if you can spare an hour or two or even half, that is fantastic! You can get involved as little or as much as you like, if you are able to provide some other help like designing posters or collecting and dropping off goods for events, or other skills that would be useful then please do get in touch, we would be very grateful. However offering to help plan events as well as on the day is also crucial and some of this can be done from home if you have half an hour to spare. We really couldn't achieve what we do without the behind the scenes help that we receive. It doesn't matter if you can't help on a regular basis or even if you cannot come into school. We have meetings every 6 weeks or so but there is no obligation to attend – meeting minutes are distributed.

The money raised by the PTFA supports the school and your child's learning. Some examples of what we have helped fund in the past include funding of; school trips and transport, playground facilities, classroom technology, learning equipment and storage units to create a better learning environment.

If you can help in any way please do get in touch with your class PTFA rep; Reception - Bex Goodyer Year 1 - Ann North Year 2 - Rhian Hockey Year 3 - Cat Marsh Year 4 - Bex Goodyer Year 5 - Emma Sampson Year 6 - Alex Williams

Trellech's got Talent

Thank you to everyone who took part, helped set up and supported the event which was a great success. Thank you also to the teachers that gave a brilliant surprise performance. Around £800 was raised.

Dates for your diary

Thursday 29th June – 80s Neon themed disco – straight after school in hall

Friday 14th July – End of year social for everyone, festival style event with food and music– 5pm

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As a local community we are supporting one of our local heroes Noah Herniman. Noah who suffers from a condition called neurofibromatosis will be our special guest on the day.

Show your support for a local hero!



Class News

Reception:

The past two weeks in Reception the children have been lucky enough to see our caterpillars turn into butterflies and we got to release them back into the environment at the meadows. It was a lovely experience; the children and butterflies were both very curious. In Literacy, we have been working on creating our own story maps and retelling that story to our peers. In Numeracy, we have been looking at identify pattern in the environment, the children have worked hard to spot different places they can hear, see and observe pattern. As our new topic continues, we have started to explore the drama section of Expressive Arts. We have been looking at freeze frames and how we can start to express emotions through our facial expressions. We can't wait to attend our school trip next Wednesday (28th June). As a reminder, could all children please bring a packed lunch and wear suitable clothing alongside their school t-shirt/jumper. Thank you for your continued support.

Year One:

Year 1 have been busy! In our maths lessons we have learned to tell the time to half past, and identifying and describing the properties of 3D shapes, practising our new word vertices. In literacy we have read the book *The Invisible String*, drawing an imagined setting and using our five senses to describe it. Miss Light has begun a drama module with the class, aiming to build their confidence when performing. In Forest School we enjoyed some team building, and in PE we have tried our hands at a simplified version of rounders. I have seen excellent tactics and team work from all!

Year Two:

Year Twos have been enjoying lots of French language outdoor learning with the brand-new café role play area. They have asked and answered questions and learnt new vocabulary for the different foods and drinks they can buy and sell. The children have been planning a short story based upon a picture stimulus; thinking about setting and character description; an exciting middle part and an ending. They are really focusing on various sentence openers and how to organise paragraphs. We have been revising addition but also looking at new strategies to solve questions, including the column method. I have been really impressed by those who have been able to carry over too. In Health and Well-Being, the children have been learning about categories of foods and sorting them into proteins, carbohydrates, dairy and fruit and vegetables. Our next step is to design a healthy weekly menu for a cyclist.

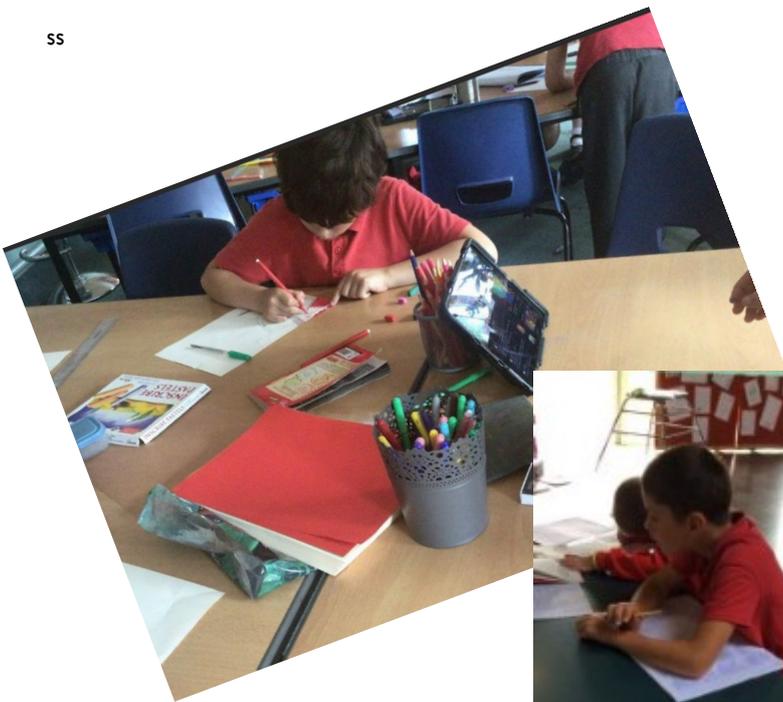
Year Three

In Year three we have been enjoying being creative and writing our own 'Magic Bike' stories – what fantastic imaginations we have! We used all of the Clever Writer skills we have learnt so far, in particular using lots of different sentence structures and openers to add variety to our writing, to produce some really fabulous work. In Maths we have continued our work with money, getting to grips with a really simple way to calculate change – some of us were even able to work out the total cost for a shopping list of 4 items, then work out how much change we would get from £50... amazing! We have been finding out about healthy eating in Health and Wellbeing and Science, sorting food into different food groups, learning about the different nutrients in food and how they help to keep us healthy, reminding ourselves about the importance of eating a balanced diet, and finally using all of our knowledge to design a healthy menu for an athlete like a Tour de France cyclist. We have enjoyed learning French vocabulary linked to food, and finding out how to order food in a café. Très bien tout le monde!

Year 4: The children have been very busy making creations in the style of Picasso. (We hope you liked the cards the children made). We hope you can all visit our little Art Gallery on Thursday 29th June. The Wet Meadow is looking absolutely gorgeous with all the beautiful wildflowers. We are so lucky to have this wonderful resource on our doorstep and it is so rewarding to see the children having so much fun with their peers. In Literacy we have been reading **How to Train Your Dragon**. We have used inference clues to understand character's feelings, described settings using prepositional phrases and used expanded noun phrases to add descriptive detail to narrative writing. This week we are starting to learn some songs for an end of term concert for Year 4, 5 and 6. (Year 4 are in the choir). In Numeracy we have started to look at more formal written methods of division- such as the 'bus stop' method. Ask your child to show you how to set this one out using the 'bus stop'- 52 divided by 2. Some information for our French performance- **Date- Tues 18th July. We will be travelling by bus down to Monmouth School and will need a packed lunch that day. Unfortunately, parents are not able to attend as there is already going to be nearly 200 children and staff. The children have come home tonight with a letter about some ideas for costumes/props.**

Year Five: Another busy two weeks in Year 5 as we head further into the summer term. It was fantastic to see so many people at our Sports Day this year, and even though it was one of the hottest days of the year the children demonstrated great sportsmanship throughout the afternoon. Our focus over the last two weeks has been on Expressive Arts where we have studied the artist Monet and the techniques he used in his paintings. We have been looking at the style of his paintings and then having a go using the techniques to create our own pieces of art. We really hope you can join us next Thursday afternoon to see your child's work and be taught by your child to paint in the style of Monet. (Times have been sent via Schoop). During our Forest School this week Year 5 pupils worked with Year 6 pupils to share what they have learnt about the artist they are studying and used these techniques to create an observational drawing of the flowers in Wet Meadows. In Literacy we have continued to read our class novel *The Whizz Pop Chocolate Shop* and have started to identify and use speech marks to show direct speech from the character. In Numeracy we have continued with calculating area and perimeter and have begun to use these skills to solve real life problems. For our Health and Wellbeing this week, we have been learning about how we can grow and support each other in a kind and caring way, listening to calming music and taking time to be still and quiet in our outside environment.

YearSix: Another two weeks have flown by in school! Thank you all for attending sports day with us this year. I was incredibly proud of all the children for participating in the races, showing just how much they had learnt about good sportsmanship. Our house captains, sports ambassadors and extra year 6 volunteers did a wonderful job of designing the obstacle race, marshalling the races, guiding younger children, scoring and numerous other roles. We couldn't have done it without you! We have had a real focus on expressive arts, studying the techniques of pointillism used by Georges Seurat (we hope you liked the style in our Father's Day cards) and are looking forward to seeing you at our open art gallery on the 29th June where the children will be able to instruct you in the techniques. Year 6 taught these techniques to year 5 in Forest School this week, sketching the wonderful flowers in wet meadow, whilst year 5 taught year 6 about the techniques of Monet. Rehearsals are well under way for *Ali Baba* and the *Bongo Bandits* - remember to save the dates to come and watch (11/12 July). For maths we have been calculating the area of triangles, the perimeter of rectilinear shapes and investigating links between shapes with the same area but different perimeter. Our literacy has been focussing on "Holes" by Louis Sachar, developing deeper into the main character of Stanley Yelnats and understanding the rules about direct speech. We will then be using this information in our own narrative writing.





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