

Newsletter 9th January

Happy New Year

As we begin a new year and term, please find key dates for the coming weeks:

19th Jan- Y5&6 Swimming Gala (all pupils)

21st Jan- Y5&6 Football tournament

30th Jan- PTFA Chocolate Bingo evening 5-7pm

2nd Feb- Y5 trip to Big Pit

11th Feb- PTFA Valentine Disco

13th Feb- INSET Day- school closed to pupils

16th-20th Feb- Half term

27th Feb- Y3 onsite Adventurous Day (Gilwern Outdoor Education Providers)

6th March- Parent Share afternoon (1.30-3.00pm)

11th/ 12th March- Parent Consultations (3.30-6.20pm)

23rd March- Y6 Easter Experience

27th March- Easter Service at St Mary's Church 10am

27th March- End of term

FORWARD PLANNING: September start date for pupils: **Wednesday 2nd September**

Request for Help- Careers' Week

As part of our curriculum, we hold a Careers' Week each year to develop learners' understanding of the world of work, different careers and different roles. In previous years we have focused upon uniformed services, vocational jobs and this year we are linking our week with an area of our school development which is STEM (Science, Technology, Engineering and Maths).

Careers' Week will take place from 9th-12th February with a specific focus on careers relating to Science, Technology, Engineering and Maths. We are asking for any volunteers who would be willing to give half an hour or hour of your time to come into the school and talk to groups of pupils about the work you do in this field, share any pictures or resources with them and be willing to answer some questions. Anything goes, as long as it's related to the fields of Science, Tech, Engineering and Maths!

In light of the recent flooding, if you know anyone who could talk about flood defences and ecology to support this, or is involved in the rebuilding of Inglis Bridge on Vauxhall Fields, these would be a really relatable subject for the pupils to learn more about.

Please could I ask you to share within the community or wider family networks as we would like to make this a rich learning experience for pupils with lots of different visitors coming into school.

If you can help, please let Mrs Kift know or email school at osb.primary@monmouthshireschools.wales

After School Clubs

We offer a number of after school clubs. If your child is interested in joining, please speak with Mrs Kift.

Tuesday- Y4/5/6 Football Club with Supastrikers, Y1-Y6 Lego Club with Kids With Bricks (Lower School Hall)

Wednesday- Y1/2/3 Football Club with Supastrikers

Thursday- Upper School Welsh Club, Upper School Discovery Club

Meaningful Maths- Family Engagement Sessions

Please see details below for Reception parents to join to find out how you can support your child with maths.

Sessions begin next Friday and will take place in the Upper School Library. Please contact Isabel Cook using the details below.



Volunteers

We are always seeking volunteers to come into school to help with reading sessions at the start of the school day, offer help with projects and activities, walk with classes to the library/ swimming pool/ town visits and accompany classes on school trips. If you have some time to spare, we would love for you to come and help.

If you are interested in becoming a volunteer, please speak with Mrs Kift and she will set up the process for you.

School Lunch Menu

Dydd Llun- Battered fish OR salmon fishcake OR cheese and onion quiche OR filled jacket potato

Dydd Mawrth- Chicken OR chick pea masala OR filled jacket potato

Dydd Mercher- Pork OR Glamorgan sausage roast OR filled jacket potato

Dydd Iau- Beef OR vegetarian bolognese OR filled jacket potato

Dydd Gwener- Cheese and tomato pizza OR rainbow veg pizza OR filled jacket potato