

## **Newsletter 16th January**

### ***Diolch to All***

Thank you to our families and PTFA for your fundraising efforts. We have taken delivery this week of 3 new picnic benches and playground dividers which are now located on the Upper School playground. These were purchased in response to pupil voice and a request for a zoned quiet part of the playground for pupils who may want to read, play games or colour, rather than run around. Next week, will see the start of the construction of a new slide and structure on the front of the Lower School. These items are the direct outcome of your support in PTFA events. Without your help, we simply would not be able to provide these additional resources and equipment for our learners. On behalf of all the pupils, diolch yn fawr.

### ***Chocolate Bingo***

Don't forget to join us for a fun family evening of bingo and prizes of chocolate on Friday 30th January.

To support the event, we are asking pupils to come to school on Friday 30th in non-uniform in exchange for a donation of chocolate.



### ***School Uniform Reminder***

We have noticed there are an increasing number of pupils who are not wearing correct uniform to school. Trainers should only be worn to school on PE days. On non-PE days, pupils should wear school shoes and school jumpers, cardigans or fleeces.

## Multiply Course

Here at Multiply, we are coming to the end of our project and funding. As a final part of the project before we close, we are offering a 4-week online set of sessions taking us up to February half term. These are available for the following courses:

### Literacy Learning Lab

Foundation Phase (4-7years)

Starting: Monday 19<sup>th</sup> January

10:00 - 10:45am

### Meaningful Maths

Foundation Phase (4-7years)

Starting: Monday 19<sup>th</sup> January

12:30 - 1:30pm

### Meaningful Maths

KS2 (7-11yrs)

Starting: Wednesday 21<sup>st</sup> January

12:30 - 1:30pm

If you are able to commit to these online sessions, the training support is excellent and will be very beneficial to you in supporting your child(ren) at home.

For details of how to sign up, please see below.



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# Literacy Lab

Join us for a 4-week ONLINE programme to learn more about how to support your child with their phonics, literacy and reading at home.

All FOUNDATION PHASE parents, grandparents and carers welcome!

To book your space, email:  
[isabelcook@monmouthshire.gov.uk](mailto:isabelcook@monmouthshire.gov.uk)

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FREE ONLINE  
COURSE!



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## Meaningful Maths

Understanding Your Child's Journey  
RECEPTION - YEAR 2

**FREE- ONLINE SESSIONS!**  
Starting:  
Monday 19<sup>th</sup> January  
(4 weeks)  
Time: 12:30 - 1:30 pm

Learn how your children are taught maths in Years R-2.

Tips, tricks and ideas for engaging your children in maths at home.

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**Meaningful Maths**  
Understanding Your Child's Journey  
YEARS 3-6 (KS2)

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### **Swap Shop**

As part of our Eco school work, pupils are currently thinking about 'fast fashion' and the ways we can promote 'pre loved' clothing. St David's Day is coming up soon and we will be inviting pupils to wear something Welsh or something red for our day of celebrations on Monday 2nd March.

To support our families and the planet, we would like to hold a swap shop where donations of 'red' clothing or Welsh costumes/ items can be collected and then shared.

Details of when to donate and the date of the swap shop will be shared by our Eco Committee in the next week. So, please look out for red things that are too small or no longer wanted!

### **Rags to Riches Collection**

Rags to Riches will be collecting donation of unwanted textiles on 5th February 2026. The next few weeks may be a good opportunity for an early spring clean and sort out! Don't forget any red items can be donated to our swap shop.

You can **start to drop off your bags from the week beginning 26th January.**



### ***Inglis Bridge Update***

We have been informed work will start in the next week or so to reinstate Inglis Bridge. We are hopeful this work will mean families will once again be able to use the route through Vauxhall Fields to walk/ cycle to school as the summer months and warmer, dry weather

### ***Cost of Living Support***

Please see the following message from Monmouthshire County Council.

Happy new year. January can bring struggles to a lot of families and we have lots of information regarding Cost of Living Support available on our webpage below:

<https://www.monmouthshire.gov.uk/money-matters/>

Details include Warm Spaces, Food Support, Energy Advice, Localised Support and much more.

### ***School Lunch Menu***

Dydd Llun- Fish fingers OR salmon fingers OR vegetable country bake OR filled jacket potato

Dydd Mawrth- Tomato pasta OR macaroni cheese OR filled jacket potato

Dydd Mercher- Roast chicken OR cauliflower and broccoli bake OR filled jacket potato

Dydd Iau- Beef chilli OR vegetable chilli OR filled jacket potato

Dydd Gwener- Cheese and tomato pizza OR vegetable fritata OR filled jacket potato