



# NEWSLETTER

Selattyn C. E. Primary School

23<sup>rd</sup> February 2024

This terms Collective Worship theme is: **JUSTICE**

**Small School, Big Heart**

## Forest School

The tree planting will now take place next Wednesday. Year 3 pupils will be joining the pupils who are not going to Bryntysilio on Wednesday for Forest school to complete the tree planting. Year 3, 4 & 5 pupils will all need Forest school clothing on Wednesday. Please can those pupils bring in a spade to help with the tree planting. They should all be labelled with the child's name and left in the outdoor classroom on Wednesday morning.

## Mrs Betts

At the end of the Spring Term we will be saying a fond farewell to Mrs Betts. She has been a dedicated and much valued teacher at school and will be greatly missed. We would like to say thank you for all she has done for the school and wish her all the best for the future. After the Easter holidays we are pleased to inform you that Mr Smaje will be teaching Class 4 full time and Mrs Hardaker will move to teach Class 2 on Mondays and Tuesdays and Mr Patch will continue teaching Class 2 for the remainder of the week.

## Bryntysilio residential

Children are getting very excited for the residential starting next Wednesday to Friday. [Please see the key point information sheet sent home with children today.](#) If you have any questions or concerns regarding the trip, please speak to the office or Mr Shepherd. Pictures from Bryntysilio will hopefully be loaded onto DoJo throughout the stay.

## After-School Clubs

After-school clubs will continue as normal next week apart from Art Club which will not take place. Clubs on Thursday and Friday will only be for those children who are not on the Residential Trip.

## Multi-Faith Morning

Working in their classes all children spent Wednesday morning investigating different world faiths as part of our continued work on diversity. The children were able to showcase their work in whole school collective worship today. We were all proud of the children's contributions and their understanding.

## Mothering- Sunday Service

All pupils have been invited to contribute to The Mothering Sunday Service at St Mary's Church, Selattyn on Sunday 10<sup>th</sup> March at 9:30. Please complete this form by 9am on Monday if you would like your child to take part. Rev Nicholson will be working with pupils taking part on 26<sup>th</sup> February & 5<sup>th</sup> March.

## World Book Day Celebrations

We have our Bringing Books to Life workshop on Tuesday 5<sup>th</sup> March, **please remember to pay your contribution towards the cost of this workshop.** We will be celebrating World Book Day on Thursday 7<sup>th</sup> March. All children can come into school dressed as their favourite character from a book and bring the book along with them also.

## Diary Dates

### Next week

<b>Mon</b>	Class 1 P.E. 3:30 – 4:30 Multi-sports Yr 3 – 6 SATs club – Year 6
<b>Tue</b>	Positive Leap Class 2 & 3/4 pBuzz lesson 3:30 – 4:30 Multi-sports Yr R -2 3:30 – 4:30 reading Club – Yr 6
<b>Wed</b>	Bryntysilio Residential – leave 9am Year 3, 4 & 5 Forest School – tree planting – 'Bring a Spade!' <b>NO ART CLUB</b>
<b>Thur</b>	Class 2 P.E. 3:30–4:30 Football club – Yr 3-6 Selattyn Helpers Yr 2-6
<b>Fri</b>	9-10:30 Little Badgers Class 3 & 4 P.E. Bryntysilio Residential - Return 3pm 3:30 – 4:30 Football Yr R -2 Chess Club – KS2

### Future Dates

28 <sup>th</sup> Feb – 1 <sup>st</sup> Mar	Bryntysilio Residential
5 <sup>th</sup> Mar	Bring Books to life Dance Workshop
7 <sup>th</sup> Mar	World Book Day
8 <sup>th</sup> Mar	Height & weight checks reception & Year 6
13 <sup>th</sup> Mar	Science Morning
19 <sup>th</sup> & 21 <sup>st</sup> Mar	Parents Evening

**Stars of the Week**

**Class 1 – George**  
**Class 2 – Rowan**  
**Class 3 – Grace**  
**Class 4 – Dexter**

## Eco Class of the Week - Class 3

### Visitors to School this week

Jordan Graham – Marches Sports  
Martin Cherrington – Marches Sports  
Bethan Rogers – Supply teacher  
Patrick Gough – Piano lessons  
Edward Waden – pBuzz lessons  
Bob Clark – Chess  
Jayne Evans – Positive Leap  
Trish Cadman – Shropshire HR

## The Big Question of the Week

**Is a millionaire who is marooned on a desert island still a millionaire?**

## Attendance:

Whole School: 97.33%

Class 1: 95.65%

Class 2: 98.00%

Class 3: 100.00%

Class 4: 96.67%

# CLASS NEWS

## Class 1

Wow! What a busy week we've had! We have begun our topic of 'Celebrations' and the children have been very busy learning all about Chinese New Year. During the week, they have made paper lanterns, retold the story of 'The Great Race' through role-play, learnt about ordinal numbers, spent time in our class Chinese restaurant, ordering, serving and mastering chopsticks, and enjoyed choreographing dragon dances, with accompanying music. On Wednesday, we also spent the morning learning all about Buddhism, and its foundations. The children made a collaborative Buddha collage, practised meditation and learnt that although life's journey is not always easy, through kindness, compassion and positive thinking, we can make a difference!

Have a great weekend everyone!

## Class 2

We hope you all enjoyed the half-term holiday. Judging by what the children have said, you have certainly been very busy!

This week, we have started studying a new book in our English lessons. We are reading *The Iron Man*, a text by the author and poet, Ted Hughes. All the pupils appreciated the style of writing in the first chapter which evoked a real atmosphere in the classroom. It was magical to watch their faces as we read the start of the book together. They thought of their own questions about *The Iron Man*, and the following day examined the descriptive writing about the main character with Miss Rogers, who was visiting as a supply teacher.

In Maths, we have begun to consolidate and extend our understanding of fractions. The new vocabulary for this week included the words numerator and denominator.

Although the week has been a short one because of the PD Day on Monday, we continued with our project making abstract sculptures. We also found out more about the prophet Moses as part of our Judaism study for multi-Faith Day.

Next Wednesday, Year 3 children will have an opportunity to do an extra Forest School session; we will be planting trees with Mr Kirk. Please can Y3 pupils bring their Forest School clothing to school next week, and if possible, a spade that could be used to dig holes. (Please don't go and buy one – we will share what we have available.)

## Class 3

We had had a busy start to the new half term leading up to Easter. The children have been introduced to their new topics and have made a great start to their studies. Everyone enjoyed our multi faith morning and the children proudly showcased their work during our whole school collective worship celebration. The children have a good understanding of the diverse world we live in and are able to speak about it confidently. We are all now looking forward to our trip to Bryntysilio next week! Have a super weekend with plenty of rest ready for Wednesday!

## Class 4

A busy start to the half term. We all had a lovely time on Wednesday when we went to Moreton Hall for Performing Arts. The children behaved fantastically, and all found it fun. We have been looking at persuasive letter writing in English, linking to our text 'How to Train Your Dragon' which we started last half term. We have also been looking at what the term 'Economic wellbeing' means in PSHE this week. Next week, lots of children from class 4 are attending the residential. We hope you all have a lovely time. For those remaining at school, we will be doing other fun activities too. There is no homework this week but I will post homework on ClassDojo following the residential visit. Have a lovely weekend!

