



# NEWSLETTER

Selattyn C. E. Primary School 22<sup>nd</sup> September 2023

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

**Small School, Big Heart**

## Pantomime at Theatre Severn

We are delighted to share with you that we have secured tickets for all pupils to go to Theatre Severn on Thursday 14<sup>th</sup> December to watch this year's pantomime which is Jack and the Beanstalk. [Please see this letter which has already been text out to parents earlier today.](#) So we can confirm ticket numbers consent for your child to attend this trip must be confirmed by 3pm next Friday (29<sup>th</sup>)

## In School Harvest Celebration

All pupils will come together next Tuesday (26<sup>th</sup>) at St Mary's Church to celebrate the time of year when crops have been gathered from the field and to reflect on the food that they have to eat. Afterwards those attending St Mary's All Age Harvest Service on Sunday 1<sup>st</sup> October will work with Rev Nicholson.

School will be joining with Church in collecting food for Oswestry & Borders Food Bank. If you would like to contribute, suggested items are jams, marmalade, peanut butter, ketchup, tinned fruit, porridge, toiletries, biscuits, squash or anything with a long shelf life. Donations will be collected in class on Tuesday morning. Donations greatly appreciated.

## All Age Service at St Mary's Church Harvest Festival

There is still opportunity for your child to take part in the All Age Harvest Service at St Mary's church on Sunday 1<sup>st</sup> October. [Please complete this form to consent to your child attending](#)

## Green Flag Award

Thanks to the hard work of Mr Smaje, Mrs Brookes-Jones and the School Eco Council and Selattyn Helpers we are very pleased to share with you that we have achieved Eco-Schools Green Flag Award. Thank you to them and whole school community for supporting their Eco efforts.



## Parent Governor

Due to other commitments, Emily Phelan has stepped down from her role as Parent Governor. We thank her for her time and commitment supporting the school during her time as a governor.

Paper letters have been sent out to all parents today informing them of parent governor elections and request for nominations. Please check book bags. If you have any questions about being a parent governor, please ask at the office or speak to Libby Gaskell our other parent governor. [Click here for further information on the role of a Parent governor.](#)

## Class 3 and 4 Cressida Cowell Trip

Class 3 and 4 pupils have had an interesting informative afternoon listening to Cressida Cowell at Holroyd theatre this afternoon.

## Bryntysillio residential trip 2024

We are pleased to share with parents that pupils in Years 4, 5 and 6 will be able to take part in a residential trip to Bryntysillo Outdoor Centre on 28<sup>th</sup> February – 1<sup>st</sup> March. [Please see full details here](#)

**Stars of the Week**

- Class 1 – **Jacob**
- Class 2 – **Angus**
- Class 3 – **Oscar**
- Class 4 – **Aoife**

### Diary Dates

#### Next Week

<b>Mon</b>	Class 1 P.E. 3:30 – 4:30 Multi-sports Years 4, 5 & 6
<b>Tue</b>	Harvest Service Class 2 & 3/4 pBuzz lesson 3:30 – 4:30 Multi-sports - Years 1, 2 & 3
<b>Wed</b>	Year 1 Forest School
<b>Thu</b>	Positive Leap Class 2 P.E. 3:30 – 4:30 Football - Years 4, 5 & 6
<b>Fri</b>	Little Badgers Class 3 & 4 P.E. 3:30 – 4:30 Football - Yrs 1,2, 3

### Future Dates

4 <sup>th</sup> Oct	Numeracy Day Bangor Racecourse
24 <sup>th</sup> & 25 <sup>th</sup> Oct	Parents Evening
26 <sup>th</sup> Oct	Last day Half Term
27 <sup>th</sup> Oct	PD Day
6 <sup>th</sup> Nov	Return to School
13 <sup>th</sup> Nov	Tempest Photographs
11 <sup>th</sup> 12 <sup>th</sup> Dec	2pm Christmas Service
14 <sup>th</sup> Dec	Trip to Pantomime
20 <sup>th</sup> Dec	Last day of term

### Visitors to School this week

Jane Webber – Christian worker  
 Patrick Gough – Piano lessons  
 Nikki Hill – governor  
 Elizabeth Evans – Positive Leap  
 Terry Kerr – Property Services  
 EIP Science Cluster meeting  
 Hellen Bell – finance officer

### The Big Question of the Week

**Is there more happiness or more sadness in the world?**

**Whole School Weekly Attendance: 97.11%**

Class 1 96.52%

Class 2 96.54%

Class 3 97.14 %

Class 4 98.50%

# CLASS NEWS

## Class 1

We have all been working very hard this week in Class 1. Both Reception and Year 1 have started their phonics programmes and doing well. In Literacy, we have started our class book 'Simon Sock', writing about our favourite parts of the story and creating story maps. In Numeracy, the children have been learning to count, using 1:1 correspondence, solving problems, working with a partner and making up their own challenges. In P.S.H.E, we have been reading the book, 'The Colour Monster' by Anna Llenas. It has helped the children to identify and sort their feelings, using colours. In R.E, we have been learning about 'The Creation Story', marvelling at God's wonderful world, and singing the hymn 'Who put the colours in the rainbow?'.  
Have a lovely weekend everyone!

## Class 2

We have now settled back into the daily routine of school and we are enjoying learning together. This week in Maths we have begun a unit of work on addition and subtraction. In our English lessons, we have continued our study of 'The Tin Forest' and we have looked at how we can use similes and metaphors to describe a character.

In our Science topic this term and have been looking at important life processes and we are currently finding out about a variety of habitats. We are building up quite an extensive scientific vocabulary. Tuesday afternoons, when Mr Wadon visits to teach us to play the pBuzz, are a highpoint of the week. Mrs Betts is probably the most excited pupil in the class, but we all have a lot of fun whilst we can legitimately make a lot of noise!

Have a good weekend everyone.

## Class 3

Another busy week has flown by. We have begun a new topic in maths by developing strategies for adding, subtracting, multiplying, and dividing. We have been carrying out a number of activities practically and also independently in our books which has been great to see. We have been making good use of our I pads in Guided Reading and are learning how to use the text purposefully to answer the related questions. We have been analysing the main characters in our class novel 'Skellig' and have been learning about similes in our grammar session. In Science we have been classifying cold blooded vertebrates and carrying out plenty of independent research. We have had a wonderful time on our trip to see the author Cressida Cowell today. We all enjoyed it very much. Have a lovely weekend everybody.

## Class 4

On Monday, year 4, 5 and 6 worked with Mrs Hardaker to their history topic – "How have children's lives changed", and in R.E. they looked at the story of John the Baptist and the Holy Trinity. They have also done some fantastic still-life drawings using charcoal with Mrs Hardaker and Mrs Brookes-Jones.

In science, we have been looking at teeth. We looked at the impact a toothbrush can have on cleaning our teeth. Well done to all those who completed homework.

Next week, we will be changing our day of spelling test to Thursday. Have a lovely weekend.

# St Martins School Open Day & Evening

Thursday 28 September 2023

*Senior leaders have high aspirations for every pupil and have created an ambitious curriculum to meet these high expectations.*

Evening Event starts at 6.00pm. Talks from Head of School at 6.30pm & 7.30pm. Day Tours at 9.30am & 11.30am.

To book your day tour contact:  
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INDEPENDENT  
SCHOOLS OF  
THE YEAR 2023

**IT'S EVERYTHING A  
SCHOOL SHOULD BE...**  
TATLER SCHOOLS GUIDE

SENIOR | SIXTH FORM

**OPEN DAY**  
**SAT 30 SEPT, 10AM**  
MEET THE NEW PRINCIPAL

Moreton Hall  

[www.moretonhall.org/open-day](http://www.moretonhall.org/open-day)  
Find out how much *More* your child can achieve...

  

'Outstanding' EYFS Provision  
ISI INSPECTION REPORT 2023

  
THE KING'S SCHOOL  
CHESTER

**OPEN DAY**  
Saturday 30 September from 9am

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Families with children in Years 5 and 6 are invited to join us for this year's Open Day.

- Enjoy our Festival of Creativity
- Hear from the Headmaster
- Meet pupils and teachers
- Tour our fantastic facilities

  
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George Hartley, Headmaster

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