

St Ethelwold's V.A. Primary School Newsletter

'Be The Best You Can'

4th October 2019

Hello everybody and welcome to your weekly run down of events and happenings at St Ethelwold's VA School.

There is surely no other place to start this week than the visit of the Welsh Government Minister for Transport and Economy Ken Skates. Mr Skates came in to talk to our Y5 and Y6 children about air quality, particularly in and around Deeside, which has been highlighted as having some of the poorest air quality in the UK. Before the visit, pupils in Y5 and Y6 did a mini topic on the subject of pollution so that they were able ask the minister a series of taxing and well thought out questions. The BBC and ITV news crews were in attendance, as were Deeside.com and the Flintshire Leader. It will be shown on the local news on Monday at 6pm on ITV and at 6.30pm on BBC. I have to say, the children were magnificent and the news crews were full of praise for them all but especially Lily-May Forster and Maya Bhamrah with whom they conducted interviews. I am so proud of all of the children who took the opportunity to showcase our school in the best possible light.

Votes for School Councillors have been cast and counted and we are pleased to announce the following School Councillors:

Class 2: Ellie Davies & Lexi Duncan- Timms

Class 3: Owen Harder & Stacey Dunn

Class 4: Ella Grey & Alex Harris

The School Council are here to represent the views of all of our pupils and to improve the school. The school council meets - usually with a teacher present - to discuss and sort out problems. These may include school lunches, behaviour or ideas for fundraising events. Members of the school council will be responsible for carrying out the ideas that have been agreed, such as planning discos, writing newspaper articles, or meeting with catering staff.

Congratulations this week to our cleaner Mrs Margaret Jones who became a grandma again last week. Jackson Edwards weighed in at 6lb 4oz and both mother and baby are doing well. Congratulations to the Jones/Edwards family.

A very big thank you to all of our school staff who have gone the extra mile to prepare for our ministerial visit this week but special thanks go to Mrs Duggan, Mrs Weaver and Mrs Roberts who all went way above and beyond what is normally expected.

We wish you all a very restful weekend and hope that whatever you find yourself doing, you do it with love in your heart. With love in your heart, even the smallest and most insignificant of things can turn into beautiful moments.

See you all next week.

Mr Oliver

<u>Dragon Sports</u>

On Wednesday our sporting year got off to a fantastic start when 6 students from Class 4 attended a dodge ball festival at Deeside leisure Centre.

It was a very successful event involving 12 Flintshire schools. Lily-May Forster, Bobby-Lee Brown, Jayden Pugh, Maya Bhamrah, Charlotte Salt and Nicole Axon represented the school and played their hearts out securing quite a few wins.

The school received many compliments on their sportsmanship, sporting prowess and their smart Sports kit. We look forward to telling you all about our next event, Water Polo, in a few weeks time.

Tempest Photographers

You should have received your child's photograph's this week. If you would like to place an order please return the order form

Penblwydd Hapus

Jacob Dunn, & Joseph Haycock



Diary Dates/ Dyddiadur

11th October- Flu Immunisations

14-18th October- Assessment week

17th October— Pirates of the Chillibean performance

23rd October- Parent Forum meeting

25th October- 3.15pm School closes for half term

4th November- School Closed- INSET day

5th November- School reopens

6 & 7th November- Parents Evenings

11-15th November- Anti-Bullying Week

6th December- Christmas Fair in the school hall

11th December- Christmas Bingo

12th December- 2pm Christmas Nativity at St Ethelwold's Church

17th December - Delivery of Cards and Gifts to the local community

18th December- Junior Christmas party

19th December- Foundation Phase Christmas Party

20th December- 3.15pm School closes for Christmas holidays

6th January - School closed - INSET day

7th January- School reopens

Attendance/ Presenoldeb

This week's class with the best attendance is Class 4 with 95%. Whole school attendance is 92.5%.

Siaradwr Cymraeg- Welsh Speaker

Class 1- Jacob Challinor

Class 2- Katie-Leigh Roberts

Class 3- Callum Duffield

Class 4- Riley Harder

Special Mentions/ Cyfeiriadau Arbennig

Class 1- Phoebe Roberts

Class 2- Luke Dunn & Georgi Kolev

Class 3- Wiktoria Hajdecka & Morgan Bhamrah

Class 4- Kimberley Altmann & Grace Brown

Prayer/ Gweddi

My Thank you Prayer

Thank you for the water and the food

Thank you for the vegetables and fruit

For the crops that we can grow,

Thank you for the sunshine and the rain

For the wheat and all the grain

For the food that we can eat,

Thank you for the carrots and the beans

For the mash and all our greens

For the apples and our food,

Thank you for the harvest that we have

Thank you for keeping us healthy

And thank you for our farmers.

Amen

By Maya Bhamrah