



St Ethelwold's V.A. Primary School Newsletter

'Be The Best You Can'

8th November 2019

Hello all and welcome to the first newsletter of the new half term in the run up to Christmas. As I write this I am aware that there only 47 days until the big day and only 7 weekends to organise the multitude of tasks that need accomplishing before we are able to relax and enjoy the festive period with our loved ones. We have a range of Christmas events in school: parties, visiting the community of pensioners with cards and gifts, Christmas lunch, Christmas Fair and our Christmas Nativity at 2pm on Thursday 12th December. The Christmas Nativity comes with a slight health warning from us - we will begin practising hymns, songs and readings very soon and you may hear your child singing Christmas songs at home in early November - apologies in advance!

I have heard from a few parents recently that they do not know the dates of events in school. All dates are at the bottom of this and every newsletter and we will work on ensuring that all dates are available on the school website in the very near future. We will let you know when this is the case.

PC Hayley Jones

We welcomed PC Hayley Jones into school this week to arrange the times she will be teaching our pupils a range of topics including:

- People Who Help Us (Y1-2)
- Safety/Domestic Abuse (Y1-2)
- Internet Safety (Y3-4)
- Friend or Foe (Y3-4)
- Anti Social Behaviour (Y5-6)
- Cyberbullying (Y5-6)
- Child Sexual Exploitation (Y6)

If you have any questions or would like to talk about any aspect of this programme, please do not hesitate to contact me.

Open Day

As mentioned in the previous newsletter we are holding an Open Day on Tuesday 26th November where you are welcome to join us for the day or any part of the day so that you can see what happens in our school and how your child is taught as well as to look at the progress they are making. We are very proud of our school and want to share with you some of the amazing experiences and learning going on each and every day. Mrs Murray will be offering a special menu on the day so look out for details of this and how to order next week.

Children in Need

In a change to earlier information we are taking part in Children in Need day next Friday 15th November where children are asked to wear Spots for Pudsey and to

bring in a donation for Children in Need. We will also be taking part in the Children in Need Duck Race and a Bake Sale in School on during the afternoon. We will send you details of these events in a separate letter.

Next Week

We have a busy week coming up including the following events:

- Football match v Drury Primary
- Keep fit sessions on Monday
- Athletics Festival
- Super Ambassadors Day in Llandudno
- Children in Need Day

Thank you everyone who designed a truth poster, the standard was incredibly high with many thought provoking images. Ryan Ewart and Samuel Whaley will have their designs displayed in school.

Whatever your plans over the weekend, we hope that you enjoy some time with those nearest and dearest to you, doing something that makes you happy, whether that's a windswept and rainy walk in the park, hearing someone's voice on the telephone or a mug of tea in your kitchen. The location is unimportant, being with or in contact with people who make you happy is food for the soul.

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Mr Oliver

Diary Dates/ Dyddiadur

10th November- Remembrance Service at Church 10.45am

11th November- Mountain League Football Match

11-15th November- Anti-Bullying Week

12th November- Athletics Festival

13th December- Super Ambassadors day at Venue Cymru

15th November- Non Uniform Day, Duck Race & Bake Sale for Children In Need

29th November- Non Uniform day, Donation for the tombola.

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

We are delighted to announce that we have been successful in completing our Aldi Sticker Chart by collecting 200 stickers. We will now receive a sports kit and will be entered into a draw with a chance to win one of twenty prizes of £20000. Heartfelt thanks to those of you who brought the stickers in - we couldn't have done it without you.



Siaradwr Cymraeg- Welsh Speaker

Class 1- Riley Davison

Class 2- Luke Joyce

Class 3- Joseph Haycock

Class 4- Grace Brown

Special Mentions/ Cyfeiriadau Arbennig

Class 1- Owen Jones

Class 2- Elena Morris & Harper Tagg-Angell

Class 3- Riley Harder & Lily-May Forster

Class 4- Charlotte Salt & Shakira Haque

Penblwydd Hapus

Tommy Haycock



Attendance/ Presenoldeb

This week's class with the best attendance is Class 4 with 97.2%. Whole school attendance is 95.2%.

Prayer/ Gweddi

As we remember those whose lives were given for the sake of others,
bring healing especially to children
who carry the scars of war and the wounds of violence.
Inspire us all to hear the voice of youth,
and to learn from the hope of the young,
that we may bring peace in our communities,
and hope to the nations,