# **Llantilio Pertholey Church in Wales Primary**

#### Dear Parents and Carers.

What a long half term it has been. We have packed so many things in! I would like to thank you for your support over the last weeks.

#### Dr Simon Breakspear

We were thrilled to be one of only four schools across the EAS region to be asked to host Dr. Simon Breakspear during his educational tour of schools in South East Wales. We were asked to share how we support the development of our school and leaders within our school.

(The Educational Achievement Service

(EAS) is the school improvement service of the five local authorities in South East Wales: Blaenau Gwent, Caerphilly, Monmouthshire, Newport and Torfaen.)

Dr Simon Breakspear | Speaker. Author. Researcher.

#### Harvest Festival

A reminder that on Tuesday 24th October we will be having our pupil Harvest Festival, with Father Julian, in school.

We hope to start stocking our Community Pantry in The Cabin and we are asking for canned or packet goods such as: canned vegetables, fruit, soup, baked beans, tinned tomatoes, dried pasta and rice.

#### **Parents Evening**

We will be having our first Parents' Evening on Wednesday 15th and Thursday 16th November. In the summer Parent Survey, you said that you wanted more information of your child's progress. We have listened. So, we are trialling a new interim report this year, for Y1-Y6, before Parents Evening. This report will come home before the end of this half term. This will include ways in which you can support your child at home with their learning. Reception Children will be having a different report, given on Parents Evening.

#### Parent Survey

We will be asking you to give us your views in our next Parent Survey following Click here Parents Evening. Paper copies and a QR code for the form will be available on the

night. However, you can use this link now, if you wish. We would like to hear as many views from parents as we can.

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#### Parent Meeting

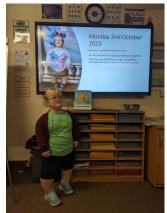
Just a quick reminder that you are invited in to a parent meeting at 2.15 on Thursday 26th October to discuss our healthy snacks and no-squash policy. I will do a quick presentation and then open the floor to any questions. If you would rather email any questions to the office beforehand, hopefully I can address those during the presentation.

#### Dwarfism Awareness Month

A big thank you to one of our pupils (and their mum!) for sharing facts throughout the month of October and for a special assembly for Dwarfism Awareness Month. A big thank you for sending your child into school wearing something green!

#### ECO Committee

Our ECO committee pupil voice group are working on setting up an eco refill shop, selling liquids such as washing up liquid and shampoo. They would like your clean, used 500ml bottles for the shop. Please drop them off in the box left at the main school office door.

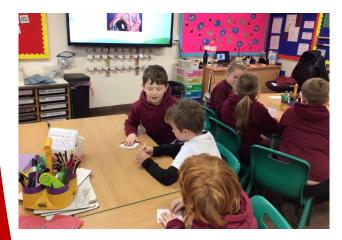


The children are also organising a 'Walk to school day' on Wednesday 8th November. The children will be by the school gates giving out stickers to anyone walking through the school gates. Please support them. If you live further away and have to come by car, you could park a couple of streets away and walk from there. It would be great to get the whole school involved.



#### Show Racism the Red Card

Thank you for supporting our 'Show Racism the Red Card' by sending your child into school wearing something red. The children have completed tasks to support this campaign. For example, Blwyddyn Chwech listened to the 'Hidden Figures' story and chose an inspirational character to research and write a biography about for Black History Month.



Blwyddyn Tri used ABC discussions to work out the identity of the subject for their writing: Mae Jemison.



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#### Open Day

We are holding open sessions for parents looking for reception school places in September. Please pass the information on to anyone you know who might be interested.

#### **OPEN SESSIONS**

Open Sessions 25th October

Session 1: 9:30am

Session 2: 5.00pm

Please call the office to make an appointment: 01873 853746

#### Wellies and clothing

A number of children are coming to school not wearing suitable clothes. Please make sure your child is wearing a warm, weatherproof coat to school during the autumn and winter months. If you are having difficulty providing a warm coat for your child please contact the school. We will try to help you.

We are still needing donations of wellies. Please could you provide your child with a pair of wellies and donate any that do not fit anymore.

Please make sure that all of your child's property has their name on it! We are finding clothes in school. We do try to give clothes back to their owners. If we can't because names are missing from items, we put those in The Community Cabin. We do not have any lost property store in school.

#### <u>Telephone</u>

We have had an issue with our telephone system this week. I apologise if you have tried, unsuccessfully, to get through. At times during the school day, the office staff may be busy and unable to answer the phone. Please be assured that you do not need to keep trying to get through. Our system emails phone messages directly to the school email address and these will be picked up.



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#### Girls' Football

Some of our girls took part in the FAW Huddle event. The children made us proud. A big thanks to the staff for taking them.



#### Story Teller

Thank you to our amazing PTFA for giving the children in Reception, Year 1 and Year 2. The children had an amazing experience acting out a story in space.



#### Music Lessons

Our children in Blwyddyn Tri and Pedwar are enjoying learning how to play musical instruments this term.

#### Car Park

I have been approached by a couple of parents who are concerned about young children being dropped off in the car park and left to make their own way into school. Please make sure that your child understands road sfety and that you are leaving them where it is safe.

#### Last Day of Term

Another reminder that we are going to trial finishing at 1.30pm on the last day of term, Friday 22nd December. Children may stay in school as normal if you need them to. However, we appreciate that you often want to get away early on the last day of term.

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#### Partnership School

The children may see many different visitors in the school. We are working for the EAS as a lead school for mathematics.

We will be supporting schools across South East Wales to improve the teaching and learning of mathematics in their school.

Mrs Balkwill is now the cluster lead for Professional Learning in the Abergavenny cluster. Mrs Balkwill will be working with colleages across the region and Wales. She will then support Professional Learning Leads in our cluster of schools.

(The Abergavenny cluster includes:

KHS (3-19), Llanfoist, Gilwern, Goytre Fawr, Our Lady and St. Michael, Cantref, Ysgol y Fenni, Llanvihangel Crucorney and Llantilio Pertholey Primary School)

This is such an amazing achievement and opportunity for Llantilio Pertholey Primary School.

Thank you for your ongoing support of our school.

God Bless

Helen King (Headteacher)

### **Our School Vision:**

Thursday 21<sup>st</sup>

Friday 22<sup>nd</sup>

**January** Monday 8<sup>th</sup>

Tuesday 9<sup>th</sup>

Llantilio Pertholey Primary School will provide an inclusive, supportive and nurturing learning environment to meet the needs of all of our children in a changing world.

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#### **Dates for Your Diary**

<u>October</u> Monday 23<sup>rd</sup>: **Rugby Tots for R-Y2** Tuesday 24<sup>th</sup> **Healthy Lunch stickers** Tuesday 24<sup>th</sup> Harvest Festival Friday 27<sup>th</sup> Last day of half term **November** Wednesday 1<sup>st</sup> **Healthy Lunch stickers** Monday 6<sup>th</sup> First day of half term December Monday 4<sup>th</sup> **INSET Training Day** (school closed for pupils) Thursday 7<sup>th</sup> **Christmas Fete** Monday 11<sup>th</sup> **Rec-Year 2 Concert 6pm** Tuesday 12<sup>th</sup> Rec-Year 2 Concert 1.30pm Year 3/4 Concert 6pm Wednesday 13<sup>th</sup> Year 3/4 Concert 1.30pm Year 5/6 Carol Concert 6pm Thursday 14<sup>th</sup> Year 5/6 Carol Concert 1.30pm Sunday 17<sup>th</sup> Carol Service St. Teilo's (all welcome) Monday 18<sup>th</sup> Magician (whole school) Tuesday 19<sup>th</sup> Year 5/6 Christmas Party Wednesday 20<sup>th</sup> Year 3/4 Christmas Party Thursday 21<sup>st</sup>

**Rec-Year 2 Christmas Party** Christingle Service St. Teilo's (all welcome) Last day of term (close at 1.30)

**INSET Training Day** (school closed for pupils) School reopens for pupils