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# Croeso n Ôl! - Welcome back!

I would like to take this opportunity to wish everyone a very warm welcome back to school.



Especially to all our new pupils and their families. It is fantastic to see all the children in school and they have settled in really well. There have been plenty of smiling faces around school this week.

This is a long newsletter today with lots of information. We will provide a paper copy this week for your convenience and going forward it will be emailed to you as normal.

MESSAGE FROM MRS MORRIS - Thank you to all those that took the time to meet with me yesterday afternoon you were all very welcoming. Please find attached with your newsletter today, a letter from myself to all our families.

**<u>REMINDERS</u>** - The school gate will open at 8.45am and then close promptly at 9am. Any children arriving after 9am must enter through the front door via the high street entrance with an adult. The gate to the school playground will then re-open at 3.10 for the end of the school day.

Please also remember to email or phone school if your child will be absent from school or if you are running late and need to order a school lunch.

SNACKS - as previously mentioned in the letter sent out on Wednesday, breaktime snacks MUST be a fruit or vegetable. You can provide your own or it can be purchased from school. The cost is 30p per day and is only payable through school gateway - no cash alternative. The minimum payment is set at £1.50 this will cover 5 days. The layout is similar to breakfast club where you can pay and book the days you want. Snack registers will be printed daily to show us who has ordered their playtime snack which they can get from the fruit trolley.

BREAKFAST CLUB - Opens at 7.50am, Monday to Friday term time. Between 7.50am and 8.20 the charge is £1.50 per child, payable and bookable via school gateway. Between 8.20am and 8.30am breakfast club is free.

MEDICAL RECORDS - Please can parents/guardians keep school fully informed of any changes to medical conditions and any allergies. Please contact the school office with any information.

Inhalers are vital therefore, please can we ask if your child is diagnosed as asthmatic that parents/guardians send a spare inhaler to keep in school at all times. GP'S will provide and extra inhaler for keeping in school.



### SCHOOL ARRANGEMENT

LOWER SCHOOL - Nursery, Reception, Year1 and 2 pupils.

Teachers; Mrs Mulgrew and Mr Williams. Support staff; Miss Franco, Mrs Woods, Mrs Durcan.

UPPER SCHOOL - Years 3,4,5 and 6 pupils.

Teachers; Mrs Drew and Mrs Gibbons. Support staff; Mrs Penlington, Mrs Jones, Miss Williams and Mrs Sullivan-Jones.

Head Boy - Elijah

Head Girl – Isabella

(Mrs Gibbons class)

School Ambassadors;

Upper school - Lawson, Joe, Manu and Felicity.

David, Olivia-Lou, Emily and Kyron.

Lower school - Nina and Isabella.

### DATES FOR YOUR DIARY.

Harvest Mass	Thursday 24 <sup>th</sup> October 2024	
Mrs Drew Parent's Assembly	Wednesday 23 <sup>rd</sup> October 2024	
Mrs Gibbons Parent's Assembly	Wednesday 19 <sup>th</sup> February 2025	
Mrs Mulgrew Parent's Assembly	Wednesday 11 <sup>th</sup> June 2025	
School Photos	Wednesday 6 <sup>th</sup> November	
Pantomime	Wednesday 4 <sup>th</sup> December 2024	
Christmas Play	Wednesday 11 <sup>th</sup> December 2024	
Sports Day	Friday 13 <sup>th</sup> June 2025	
Parents 'settling in' Evening	23 <sup>rd</sup> October 2024	
Parents evening.	8 <sup>th</sup> and 9 <sup>th</sup> April 2025	
Kingswood Residential trip 2025	(Years 4,5, and 6) May 14 <sup>th</sup> 15 <sup>th</sup> and 16 <sup>th</sup> 2025	

\*\*Details regarding any of the above will be sent out nearer the time.

Kingswood information will be sent out by Mrs Gibbons shortly.\*\*

### Swimming programme 2024/2025

Mrs Gibbons class will be starting their swimming sessions next week, Tuesday 10<sup>th</sup> September. They will have 12 sessions in total, the last one being December 3rd. Please ensure your child remembers their kit and a towel. The payment is £3.50 per week payable via school gateway. Swimming lessons are a part of their curriculum therefore all pupils should be taking part unless there is a valid medical reason discussed with your child's teacher.



Mrs Drews class will commence their swimming sessions on Tuesday 14<sup>th</sup> January until 8<sup>th</sup> April.

## **Forest Schools**



Children will need to come to school in old clothes suitable for Forest School activities. We recommend old clothes as they will be taking part in all weather conditions. They will need a waterproof coat with wellies and will also need to bring a clean pair of footwear for when back in school.

<u>Lower school Forest school</u> will be every Thursday afternoon starting from next week, Thursday 12<sup>th</sup> September.

### **Upper school - Forest schools**

Mrs Drew	Friday 13 <sup>th</sup> September 24 Friday 20 <sup>th</sup> September 24 Friday 27 <sup>th</sup> September 24 Friday 4 <sup>th</sup> October 24 Friday 11 <sup>th</sup> October 24 Friday 18 <sup>th</sup> October 24	Mrs Gibbons	Friday 8 <sup>th</sup> November 24 Friday 15 <sup>th</sup> November 24 Friday 22 <sup>nd</sup> November 24 Friday 29 <sup>th</sup> November 24 Friday 6 <sup>th</sup> December 24 Friday 13 <sup>th</sup> December 24
Mrs Drew	Friday 10 <sup>th</sup> January 25 Friday 17 <sup>th</sup> January 25 Friday 24 <sup>th</sup> January 25 Friday 31 <sup>st</sup> January 25 Friday 6 <sup>th</sup> February 25 Friday 14 <sup>th</sup> February 25	Mrs Gibbons	Friday 7 <sup>th</sup> March 25 Friday 14 <sup>th</sup> March 25 Friday 21 <sup>st</sup> March 25 Friday 28 <sup>th</sup> March 25 Friday 4 <sup>th</sup> April 25 Friday 11 <sup>th</sup> April 25
Mrs Drew	Friday 2 <sup>nd</sup> May 25 Friday 9 <sup>th</sup> May 25 Friday 16 <sup>th</sup> May 25 Friday 23 <sup>rd</sup> May 25	Mrs Gibbons	Friday 6 <sup>th</sup> June 25 Friday 13 <sup>th</sup> June 25 Friday 20 <sup>th</sup> June 25 Friday 27 <sup>th</sup> June 25

<u>CLWB HAPUS</u> - Great news! We have found our playworker, Miss Browne. She came in to school yesterday to meet with some of the staff and have a look around. All is now on track to re-open our afterschool club after the October half term break - but hopefully earlier, fingers crossed. We will keep you informed.

<u>TEACHER AFTER SCHOOL CLUBS</u> - Mr Williams will start his ball games club next Thursday. Craft and computer club will start the following week as the teachers are required to attend a meeting in Flint next Monday and Tuesday.

These clubs are limited to 15 children and will be 1<sup>st</sup> come first served. If we get more than 15 applicants on Monday morning, then they will all go into a 'hat' and 15 will randomly be picked out. Any unlucky ones will be added to a reserve list so if a pupil is off or drops out we will ring you to tell you there is a space available that day.

- Mr Williams Ball games Commencing Thursday 12<sup>th</sup> September 3.15 to 4pm.
- Mrs Drew Craft club Commencing Monday 16<sup>th</sup> September. 3.15 to 4pm

• Mrs Gibbons Computer club - Commencing Tuesday 17<sup>th</sup> September. 3.15 to 4pm.

Please fill in and return the slip attached with your newsletter today.

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LABELLING - Can parents make sure all their child's belongings are clearly labelled. When children are removing jumpers/cardigans and changing for PE etc, it can become difficult to match them to the owner if they are not labelled. We also ask that all pupils have their own water bottle in school - especially during this warm weather. Thank you.



P.E - Children can come to school wearing PE kit on their PE days. Class teachers will let you know when that is for your child.