

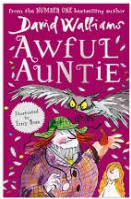


Dear Parents,

Welcome to this week's Newsletter – I hope that you enjoy it! 😊

Please note that the Newsletters are now also published on the school website. So, if your Newsletter goes astray for any reason – your dog ate it, it was thrown away by mistake or it simply didn't reach you – then you can always go online to have a read at

www.st-marys.powys.sch.uk



Some of the children in Onnen and Castan will be going to the theatre TOMORROW to see a performance of David Walliams' 'Awful Auntie'. This trip will be subsidised by some of the proceeds of the Wheelathon and costs £10. Packed lunches are not required as those children attending the show will be back in school for their lunch.

If you are still interested in joining the Urdd – please note that the Urdd membership fee increases to £8.50 after Tuesday, 5th December. You can join online at www.urdd.cymru or get your form from Mrs Whittington.



Brrr! Winter has arrived this week! Please take care on the car park on these frosty/icy mornings as the car park is prone to black ice and can be dangerous if you're unaware of or not expecting it.

Thank you for the items already received, however Mrs Jones and Miss Brian are still in need of a few things – please let them know if you have any of the following items which they could borrow:-

- 4 LARGE boxes – to make scenery and an oven (big enough to put a boy in and maybe let him out!)
- LARGE pieces of card
- 4 Striped t-shirts to fit boys age 7-9
- 3 Dark/Leather jackets to fit boys age 7-9
- Toy food – bread, fruit, veg, fish and cheese



There is a piano at our church looking for a 'forever home'. I'm told it would suit a beginner and most likely need tuning. If you feel that you would like to take it in, please contact Fr Victor at the presbytery on 01686 626423 or 01938 555657 to arrange a small donation to church and the collection arrangements. Thank you.

Are you feeling creative? Children from Year Two upwards (Bedwen, Onnen and Castan) are invited to come along to decorate and make Christmas decorations for sale at the St Mary's Supporters Christmas Fair. This craft session will be held next Tuesday, 5th December from 3.30pm – 5pm. Parents are welcome to stay too and get 'crafty' if they wish!



Peter Pan is showing at Gregynog Hall this Saturday, 2nd December at 11am and 1pm
Ticket prices: Adults £10.00, Children (under 12) £7.00, Families (2+2) £29.00. Booking Required.

Contact Gregynog on 01686 650224 or for further details at www.gregynog.org

Children's Christmas Fair

St Mary's Supporters and school council are organising a Christmas Fair for our children on the afternoon of Friday 8th December between 2.30pm-4.30pm. Parents will also be very welcome to come along too from 3.30pm onwards. There will be stalls and fun activities to entertain you, cakes and mince pies to tempt you and refreshments to relax you! Please do come along to support this festive event to raise money for our school. Should you wish to contact our Supporters, please do so directly on stmarysptanewtown@hotmail.com



Please note: this event will replace the Christmas Fair scheduled for Saturday, 2nd December.

Home-time

Please can I appeal to you all once again to help us make our home-time dismissal as safe and swift as possible. You can all help us by waiting for your children on the playground at home-time in clear view of your child's teacher. Please do NOT wait up on the path around Dosbarth Celyn as this causes congestion and makes it difficult for people wishing to use the footpath and also our teachers can't see you up there. Thank you all very much indeed for your help.

It has also come to my attention that some of our Dads are spitting on school premises- the playground, walkway etc. We punish children if they do this, so PLEASE STOP.

Zauważyłam, że niektórzy ojcowie spluwają na terenie szkoły, placu zabaw itp. My nie pozwalamy i karzemy dzieci za to, więc, PROSZĘ TEGO NIE ROBIĆ.

I hope you all received your copy of the Christmas Activities at St Mary's calendar earlier in the week – if not check out the website, it's on there for you to see. Meanwhile see the reminders below ...



Wednesday 13th December - Celyn, Bedwen and Onnen performances starting at 1.30pm

Thursday 14th December - Celyn, Bedwen and Onnen performances starting at 6.30pm



Friday, 15th December – Calm Down and Be Comfy for Christmas
[wear your own clothes, pyjamas, Christmas jumpers or whatever!]

Friday, 15th December – Disgo Nadolig – Christmas Disco – 6.30pm – 8pm
[£2.50 per child admission or £5 per family to include refreshments]



Wednesday 20th December – Derw Nativity Performance accompanied by our Choir
(Onnen and Castan children)

Three very busy weeks ahead!

**Remember school closes for Christmas on Wednesday, 20th December 2017
and re-opens on Tuesday, 9th January 2018 ☺**

**Mrs B A Legge
Headteacher**