



NEWSLETTER

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Achievement Awards



Mrs Waghorn	Archie - for enthusiasm in our new topic 'Magnificent Mind'.
Mrs Davies/ Mrs Evans	Marlee - for working hard this week.
Miss Thompson Mr Cox	Leo -for fantastic improvement in writing and presentation.
Miss Matthews	Ruth - for showing perseverance when measuring angles.
Miss Jones	Thomas - For excellent work in Science.
Miss Newell	Lacey - for great effort all week.
Mrs Williams	Jesika - for always making good choices. Well done.
Mrs Price	Wisdom - for staying on task during our shape work. Natasha - for encouraging Wisdom to stay on task.
Mrs Rich	Halle - for super money work.
Mrs Ferguson	Lola C - for working hard and being patient and kind during D.T
Mrs Thomas	Maddie - for enthusiastic participation in all aspects of school.
Mrs Bowen	Reuel - for helping children at playtime, very kind and thoughtful.
Mrs James	Leland - for making some good choices in a busy week.

Congratulations to you all.

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Lower Juniors

This term the topic for lower juniors is The Magnificent Mind. The classes have got off to a very exciting start. As part of our Science work we have been looking into how the brain is protected in our heads. We discovered that our brain is surrounded by a protective layer called Cerebrospinal fluid. We decided to do an experiment to find out exactly if and how this works. As part of our lesson we had to write down what apparatus we were going to use and our predictions for the experiment. For the experiment we worked in groups and had two eggs and two containers. In one container we placed the egg, in the second container we put the egg and filled the container with water. We took both containers and rolled them down the stairs. We found that the water which was acting as the protective Cerebrospinal fluid, did in fact protect the egg/ brain. The egg with nothing around it smashed in the container. When we went back to class we wrote up our conclusions in our topic books. We also drew pictures of the apparatus used and labelled them.



Diary Dates

22nd Jan -Year 6 Konflux - Planet Rock

24th Jan - Year 5 and 6 Science and Energy presentation

28th Jan - Year 5 and 6 Rugby

31st Jan - Urdd Netball

7th Feb - Year 3 and 4 Stay Safe talk

8th Feb - Year 5 and 6 Cyber Safety talk

18th Feb - Year 3 and 4 Rugby

18th Feb - Parent/ Teacher meetings

19th Feb - Parent/ Teacher meetings

22nd Feb - School breaks up for half term.

4th March - Back to school

Can we ask that children bring a weather appropriate coat to
School please.



Can we please remind parents to ring into school and
inform us if your child is not going to be in.

Thank you



Swimming

There will no swimming classes until further notice.

Free School Meals

If your child is eligible for free school meals you can also get a school uniform grant when they start High school at Year 7.

If you wish to apply for FSM please contact Powys County Council or if you need help applying please come into school and talk to the Headteacher.

If your child is interested in Woodwind and Piano lessons please contact Susan Pryce by email for further details.
Susan.pryce@yahoo.com

Homework- This is sent home with each pupil on a Friday afternoon and should be returned on the following Monday (Tuesday at the very latest). **Please encourage and support your child with this responsibility. Please ensure that your child comes to school with all of the correct materials. Pencil case, reading book, reading record, PE kit and all of the correct school uniform.** □

Support your child reading - All pupils have 10 minutes reading homework on a daily basis. Please sit with your child and ask questions about the text beginning with:

'Why do you think...?'

'Who ...?'

'How ...?'

'Can you find one word which means...?'

After listening to your child read please sign the yellow reading record. Reading books and reading records should be brought into school every day.

Clothing- Please ensure that your child wears school uniform and continue to clearly label all items of clothing. This avoids any confusion if items are lost. Children must have a weather appropriate coat this term.

Parking-We realise that parking is a problem for our parents. **For the safety of all pupils,** please observe parking restrictions around school. Parking around school is **not permitted** between the hours of 8:00am-9:00am and 3:00pm-4:00pm. If you require a parking permit for the council car park, this can be arranged via the school office.

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ATTENDANCE INFORMATION

Absences - Please let us know as soon as possible if your child is going to be absent, giving a reason for the absence.

Lateness - If your child's attendance drops below 90% due to unauthorised absence or persistent late arrival, you may receive a letter of concern.

ERW Descriptors

95 -100%	Best chance of success attendance	Your child is taking full advantage of every learning opportunity.
90 -95%	At least 2 weeks of attendance learning missed	Your child may have to spend time catching up with work.
85 - 90%	At least 4 weeks of attendance learning missed	Your child may be at risk of underachieving and may need extra support from you.

80- 85%	At least 5.5 weeks of attendance learning missed	Your child's poor attendance has a significant impact on your child's learning.
Below 80%	At least 7.5 weeks of attendance learning missed.	Your child is missing out on a broad and balanced education. You are at risk of prosecution.

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