



NEWSLETTER

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Achievement Awards



Mr Hopkins	Andrew - for working calmly in class. Megan Sheeran - for working hard in maths.
Mrs Waghorn	Neve and Molly for a fantastic design and build of the London Eye.
Mrs Davies/ Mrs Evans	Myla - for working hard in problem solving maths.
Miss Thompson Mr Cox	Ellie - for an outstanding attitude to school.
Miss Matthews	Aaron - for amazing independent maths.
Miss Jones	Mason B - for writing a fantastic 500 word story. Well done. Poppy - for being a kind friend during assembly.
Miss Newell	Alex - for being very polite and helpful.
Mrs Williams	Bethan - for showing great kindness to her classmate.
Mrs Price	Cerys - for trying really hard reading angles. Da iawn!
Mrs Rich	Ruth - for being kind and helping a classmate with their coding.
Mrs Ferguson	Rhys (5/6G) - for always being very polite and helpful during playtimes.
Mrs Thomas	Anthony - for fabulous support given to a staff member with ICT skills.
Mrs Bowen	Prasna - for always being polite and helpful.
Mrs James	Rory - for having an excellent attitude to learning on some tricky challenges.

Congratulations to you all.

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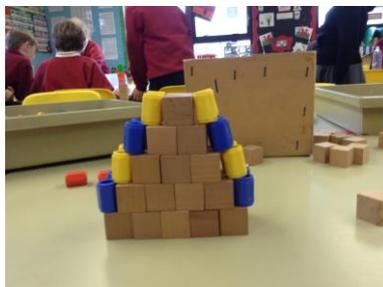
This week we have been doing exciting class S.T.E.M experiments. We went into groups of four and rotated round the classroom. The first experiment was making fireworks in a jar. For this we filled a jar $\frac{3}{4}$ full of warm water. In a separate bowl we added half a cup of oil, and drops of different coloured food colouring. One member of the group mixed them together with a fork. Once it was mixed well we poured it into the jar of warm water, we watched as a mini explosion happened. In some jars the food colouring made long streaks and in other jars it formed round blobs.

Our next experiment was to make a water fountain using a plastic bottle, water, blu tac, a straw and a balloon. We were given 5 minutes to try and work out as a group how to make the fountain. Mrs Williams and Miss Jones helped us to work it out and we all helped to make the water come out of the straw.

Another experiment was to build a famous landmark using building blocks and other apparatus. Miss Jones put pictures of landmarks on the interactive board and we could choose which one to build. It was much harder than we thought it would be.

Our last experiment was using lemonade and raisins, we placed raisins in a jar and poured over lemonade. We left them in the jar overnight. In the morning we checked the raisins and they had sucked up the lemonade and turned back into grapes!!

We have had loads of fun in our Science lessons this week.



Valentines Disco

Huge thank you to everyone who attended, supported and helped at the school Valentines disco. We raised over £400 for the 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.

Diary Dates

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

6th March - Parents evening with PC Skyrme

7th March - World Book Day

8th March - In house Eisteddfod

8th March - Eisteddfod Coffee Afternoon for parents and friends

21st March - Activity day

22nd March - Parent Workshop (more information to follow)

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.

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.