



Clyro Church in Wales Primary School

# Clyro School News

"Many hands build a house,  
many hearts build a school"

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## Stackpole fun!

### Diary Dates -

Don't forget these are available on the website



PIC-COLLAGE



Year 5 and 6 enjoyed an amazing week in February when they went to Stackpole Centre for Outdoor Learning for their residential visit. They worked hard on many activities, including rock climbing, biking, canoeing, etc.



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A big thank you to Mrs. Kenchington, Miss Long and Mrs. Lewis for looking after the children. We are holding a presentation afternoon for parents on Tuesday 12th March at 3.45pm in the hall for all parents, so that everyone can see what happens during our KS2 Residential visits.

A big welcome to Mrs. Carlisle, who joins us as a Learning Support Assistant, working with pupils in Classes 3 and 4 for one day a week and a further day with those who need extra support through intervention work. Also, we send our love and best wishes to Miss Burnett-Thomas, Learning Support Assistant in Class 2, who has broken her ankle. We wish her a very speedy recovery.

**JUDO** - Mr. Richard Jones, who runs our Thursday lunchtime Judo club is holding a Judo demonstration for parents on Wednesday 27th March. The time is to be confirmed but the pupils who attend Judo club will be performing for you all!



**Sustrans Big Pedal 2019** - Get ready on those bikes and scooters! We shall all

be trying to encourage pupils to cycle or scoot to school each morning and afternoon. We earn points for each journey to and from school and parents, staff and other adults count too!

- ♦ **Wednesday 6th March** - Class 2 Tennis coaching in school (4 weeks);
- ♦ **Thursday 7th March** - **World Book Day** - £1 to dress up as a book character;
- ♦ **Friday 8th March** - Class 2 Rugby coaching in school (for 4 weeks);
- ♦ **Tuesday 12th March** - Stackpole Presentation for parents, 3.45pm in hall;
- ♦ **Wednesday 13th March** - KS2 Cross Country at GHS;
- ♦ **Thursday 14th March** - "The Friends" meeting, 7pm at The Baskerville Arms;
- ♦ **Friday 15th March** - Comic Relief Red Nose Day;
- ♦ **Monday 18th March** - Class 3 Joined Up Music Project Performance at Brecon Theatre;
- ♦ **Tuesday 26th & Thursday 28th March** - Parents Consultation Evenings (see individual teachers lists);
- ♦ **Monday 25th March - April** - Sustrans Big Pedal 2019;
- ♦ **Wednesday 27th March** - Yr.5&6 Hockey Tournament;
- ♦ **Friday 29th March** - Wear a Hat" to school for £1 for Brain Tumour Research Charity; **(FOR YOUR INFORMATION - testing window is 7th - 14th May 2019 - please ensure that your child is in school during these dates)**



LIVING VALUES  
EDUCATION

Our Values work for March  
is: **Appreciation**



## Multi-Faith Day



For the second time, we are holding a very exciting and interesting Multi-Faith Day for the children on Tuesday 9th April. Throughout the day, the children will get to experience different practical activities in workshops, related to Christianity, Judaism, Sikhism and Hinduism. We are really lucky to have been able to book some very experienced workshop leaders, experts in their own faiths to lead the workshops. Mrs. Jane Silver-Corren will be introducing the Jewish way of life through circle dancing, food tasting, singing, handling artefacts and role play, Mr. Bhutta Singh, a Sikh teacher, looking at the Sikh way of life, Ms. Bharti Taylor will lead Hinduism workshops through clap dancing and Dandia and Mr. John Meredith, the Diocesan Director of Education for Brecon and Swansea will be leading the workshop on Christianity with Rev. David Thomas, our vicar. It should be a really exciting and informative day.



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Again a big thanks to Karen and Paddy Roberts (parents of Dylan Roberts in Year 5) who helped raise over £200 from the quiz at the Baskerville Arms. A massive achievement, but also could not have been done without you all being so generous and donating great prizes. Lots of local people came as well as parents and staff, so it was a great success. Our next meeting is 21st March at 7pm at The Baskerville Arms, Clyro and you are all welcome. Any ideas on how to raise money for the school is always welcome. I know we are all busy, so if you cannot attend any meetings, but still want to get involved, just find me for a chat. There is a messenger group that you can join to find out any information or if you need help on anything. Just let me know and I can add you on. Many thanks, **Ceri Price**.



## Happy St. David's Day



We held our own St.

David's Day Eisteddfod yesterday, celebrating the feast day of our patron Saint of Wales, St. David. During the day the children took part in Welsh themed activities and their competitions for cooking and art and craft were judged. Winners were decided, announced and presented with prizes or house points for their teams by Rev. Thomas in our St. David's Day Eisteddfod. It was lovely to see so many of the children dressed in their Welsh themed clothes! Thank you very much to everyone who entered our competitions and to our parents for their continued help and support - some very different ideas! Diolch.



## GOVERNOR NEWS

*"One of the best gifts anyone can give a child is the joy of reading."*

### Monday 18<sup>th</sup> February - Learning Walk/ Pupil Discussion on reading opportunities throughout the school.

As Literacy Governor, I worked alongside Miss Griffiths, who is the school's Literacy leader. We checked on resources provided and Reading areas in each classroom. The amount of books and other reading material was adequate in each room, but could do with more; Reading areas were well thought out and provided cosy, enticing spaces where a child could 'disappear into a book'; The School library in 'The Street' is very well stocked and the children have many opportunities to use this pleasant and encouraging zone; We then carried out a most enlightening Pupil discussion with a few children from each class. The children's enthusiasm for books and reading was very evident. They told us of favourite books/ authors and their preference for fiction/non-fiction. All the children had a lot to say, using eloquent vocabulary (a sign of an eager reader). Some ideas for improvements to their own class Reading areas were given. It was unanimous that the children loved the new scheme VIPERS. "More interesting" ... "better stories" ... "good illustrations" ... "more challenging questions". In summary, we were both thrilled with everyone's attitude to books and reading. We took on board various suggestions and tweaks for improvement to stocks and Reading areas and will review the use of GIGLETS. **Lynette Gallagher**

**Easter Service** - Our service will be on our last day of term, Thursday 11th April at 2pm at St. Michael's Church, Clyro. Everyone is welcome to join us and children can be collected from the church after the service.

**BATTERY RECYCLING** - Our battery recycling competition ends at the end of this month. Please try to collect as many batteries as possible and get these to the school, ready for Powys to collect. Remember, we are in with a chance to win a share of £500 of Amazon vouchers for our school as well as recycling all those batteries!



**Digital Leaders ICT Tip of the Month** - Think carefully about what you say before you post something online.

