



Clyro Church in Wales
Primary School

Clyro School News

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Welcome Back everyone!



Diary Dates -

Don't forget these will be
available on the website

Welcome Back! I hope that you all enjoyed the glorious weather during the summer and had a lovely holiday break! We are all really looking forward to an enjoyable Autumn Term in our new school. We'd like to welcome our new Reception children in Class 1 and their parents and also to Lily Weaver, who joins us in Year 2 in Class 2, plus Mr. Francis, who is teaching in Class 4 for this term. We hope that everyone enjoys a long and happy association with Clyro Church in Wales Primary school. Our classes for this year are as follows: Class 1 is taught by Miss. Morgan, supported by Miss Lloyd, Class 2 taught by Miss Griffiths, supported by Miss Burnett-Thomas, Class 3 by Mrs. Kenchington, teaching from Monday to Wednesday and Mrs. Phillips on a Thursday and Friday and Class 4 by Mr. Francis for this term. Mrs. Groves will be covering the teacher's non-contact time in each class, plus also teaching on a Friday in Class 2. We are currently interviewing and appointing a new teacher for Class 4 and once finalized will let you know further details. If you have any questions at the start of this autumn term, please do not hesitate to ask your class teacher, the office or Mrs. Groves.

- ◆ **Monday 10th September**
- First swim for Foundation Phase;
- ◆ **Wednesday 12th September** - First KS2 swim;
- ◆ **Thursday 13th September**
- Drumming starts;
- ◆ **Friday 21st September** -
Choir Concert at Bettws Church "Music in Quiet Places";
- ◆ **Monday 24th September**
- Official School Opening, 9.30am
- ◆ **Friday 28th September** -
Class 4 MacMillan Coffee Afternoon, 2pm in the hall, please bring your friends.
- ◆ **Thursday lunchtimes** -
Judo Club

"Meet and Greet the teacher" - We have decided not to hold a "Meet and Greet the Teacher" event this year, as we held several taster sessions for new starters in Class 1 last term and the majority of pupils have remained with their previous teacher. However, if you would like to ask any questions or would like further information on how you can support your child, please make an appointment to see your child's class teacher.



Peer mentoring - All new children who come to Clyro School have their own "buddy" that they are paired with from Reception through to when they become a junior pupil. This child will be someone that they can talk to, apart from a teacher or teaching assistant, if they are unsure of something or need help, but also someone to keep an eye on them and help them if they are worried. We have 4 new children starting with us this term who are:

- Evelyn Bowkett & Tristan Platt (Yr.6)
- Max Mackay-Lewis & Tabby Fforde (Yr.6)
- Reggie Evans & Ethan Little (Yr.6)
- Mia Colcombe & William Glasspool (Yr.5)
- Holly Allen & Ioan Davies (Yr.5)
- Annabel Lewis & Charlie Williams (Yr.5)
- Oliver Price & Corah Milward (Yr.5)
- Thomas Connelly & Seth Januszewski-Eveleigh (Yr.6)
- Arthur Thomas & Ben Tilling-Ives (Yr.6)
- Abbie Lloyd & Oliver Denney (Yr.6)
- Lily Weaver (Yr.1) & Eden Brown (Yr.5)



At Clyro, we follow Values Education, which seeks to develop the whole child by teaching, guiding and aiding them to understand and reflect on values that are important to us, how they affect ourselves and those around us. These values promote responsibility for our actions and teach the children respect for ourselves and each other, so that they grow socially, creatively, spiritually and mentally equipped for life with confidence, respect and purpose. Values work is carried out during Collective Worship and lessons.

**Our Values work for
September is based on:**

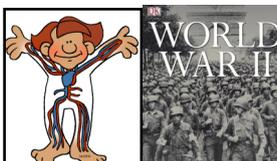
Persistence

Clubs for this term - Below is a selection of some of the clubs and extra curricular activities on offer this half term. These will start in the week beginning **17th September**. Some are during lunchtimes and others are after school until **4.15pm**. A Schoop form regarding those clubs taking place after school will be sent out shortly. Please fill in the form and text back as soon as possible.

- Monday - ICT Club with Mrs. Kenchington, 3.30pm
 - Eco Club with Mr. Francis, 3.30pm
 - Wednesday - Welsh Club with Miss Morgan, 3.30pm
 - Nteball Club with Miss Griffiths, 3.30pm
 - Thursday - Gardening Club with Mrs. Groves, 3.30pm
 - Friday - Choir (lunchtime) with Mrs. Phillips
- Welsh & Gardening Club are open to pupils from Year 2 upwards, all other clubs are for Key Stage 2 only.**

Topics for the term - At Clyro, we teach cross-curricularly, allowing the children to see links in their learning. We aim to involve the children as much as possible in contributing ideas and suggestions as to what they would like to learn. This gives the children a sense of ownership and responsibility for their own learning. Here are our class topics:

- Class 1** - "Funny Bones" - Science based;
- Class 2** - "Time Travellers"
- Class 3 & 4** - World War II



Letters, monies, etc. - Just to remind you that there is a red letterbox in the entrance of the school, just outside the office, where you can post your envelopes with monies in or reply slips. This helps us tremendously when Mrs. Lewis is not in the office or other staff are busy. Many thanks.

GOVERNOR NEWS

CHAIRMAN OF GOVERNORS

Hello and welcome to the new academic year at Clyro School. It is lovely to see all the new faces at the gates in the morning as another year starts. I hope that everyone settles in well and enjoys their first weeks. We have plenty of exciting things planned for the year, starting with "The Big Draw" project in October which we have already begun planning with the School Council. The governors have their first meeting of the year on September 19th and we meet every half term. So if you have any questions or would like to raise anything, please do not hesitate to get in touch through the school office. We will also have a board in the entrance to the school with all our names and photographs so that everyone is aware of who sits on the governing body. **Mari Fforde**

DIARY DATES - term dates can be found on the Powys website.

Parent Consultation Week - Please sign up when times are displayed by your class teacher.



Harvest Festival Service - Friday 26th October, 2pm at Clyro Church. Children can be collected directly from the church.

Break up for Half-Term - Friday 26th October.

Opening Ceremony - Parents should have received a letter inviting them to our Official Opening Ceremony on Monday 24th September at 9.30am with Mrs. Kirsty Williams, AM, the Archbishop of Wales and Mrs. Rosemarie Harris, Powys Council Leader. Please respond as soon as possible as we need to send numbers to Powys as are a lot of dignitaries expected and they require numbers. We look forward to seeing you.



SWIMMING - All classes will be swimming this term, with Classes 1 & 2 on a Monday afternoon at Hay Primary School pool and Key Stage 2 (Classes 3 & 4) at Brecon on a Wednesday. The first swim for Foundation Phase is on Monday 10th and Wednesday 12th September for Key Stage 2. Please remember to bring in your swimming kit! Thank you.

Volunteering - We are always looking for volunteers to come in to hear readers or help out in any capacity. You don't have to be able to come on a regular basis but if you are interested, please let either Mrs. Groves or your child's class teacher. Many thanks.

PE - Please ensure that your child has their PE kit in school for the whole week, at all times and that items are clearly labelled. Thank you.

Water Bottles - We ask all children to please bring in a labelled water bottle so that they can have plenty of water to drink throughout the day. This is easier than having cups in the classroom in terms of hygiene. Thank you.

Gardening Club - As we start Gardening Club again this term, we would like to plant up some planters at the front of the school in preparation for our Opening Ceremony. If anyone has any bedding plants they are able to donate these would be gratefully received. Please see Mrs. Groves.



Private On-Site Nursery -

Please remember that there are places available in our private on-site nursery. If you are interested in a place or for more information, please email Becky Golesworthy on littlestarsclyro@gmail.com or alternatively telephone: 07532257971. Many thanks.

FREE SCHOOL MEALS - If you think that you may be entitled to Free School Meals, please see either Mrs. Green or Mrs. Groves who will be happy to help. All enquiries will be handled confidentially. Remember, you don't have to take up the meal, just register in order for the school to benefit.