

GLADESTRY CHURCH-IN-WALES PRIMARY SCHOOL

Website: www.gladestry.powys.sch.uk

Newsletter to Parents

Harvest Half Term

(Christian Value – Thankfulness)

3rd September 2019

Dear Parents,

Welcome to the new school year; we hope you all had a lovely summer break. Our theme this term is based on "The Lighthouse Keeper" books. Thank you very much Mrs Biggs, Miss Hobby and Mrs Twiddy for coming in to school before the start of term to build the exciting lighthouse entrance into Class 1. Unfortunately Mrs Preece is not yet ready to return to school, however stability will be ensured by Mrs Biggs and Miss Hobby, with Mrs Lloyd every Thursday.

Emergency Contact Details: Please notify us of changes to your contact details as soon as possible.

Newsletters: Please let us know how you would prefer to receive our newsletters.

Attendance: This is one of the key areas in which schools are assessed. We are delighted that attendance for all pupils last year was 97.19% with no unauthorised absence. Thank you.

School Fund: contributions of £10 per child for the year will be gratefully received.

KS2 (Class 2) visit to Harry Potter World – Friday 13th Sept. –we are thrilled to be joining Radnor Valley School on this trip. We all need to get to R.V. School for 7.15am so that we can leave by 7.30pm, returning at approximately 8.00pm. The children will need to bring food and drink for the whole day and should wear school uniform and comfortable shoes. There is a gift shop which we may visit if there is time. Spending money should be sent in a named purse /envelope, please look at the website for guidance on costs, etc. - <https://www.wbstudiotour.co.uk/studio-shops>.

KS2 After School Clubs: start next week - Music / Computer Club on Tuesdays and Miss Hobby's Club on Thursdays. To help towards staff and resource costs each club will cost £2 per week individually or £3 for both. It would be very helpful if you will commit to attending weekly (apart from exceptional absences) for good continuity with recorder groups on Tuesdays and the preparation of resources on Thursdays. Please complete and return the reply slip.

e-safety – we will continue to show pupils how to use the internet responsibly in school; please help them stay safe at home.

Siarter Cymraeg: this is our ongoing programme to encourage pupils' use of the Welsh language.

Uniform: a reminder that our supplier is Tesco and items should be ordered online at www.tesco.com/ues. We still have some new and used old style uniform for sale in school, ask if you wish to check our stock. **Please clearly label all uniform, PE Kit, etc.**

Reminder: All children should have a labelled coat in school, a sun hat if the weather is hot, a PE / sports kit and a labelled water bottle which they may fill from the water cooler in Class 1.

Public Health Wales have asked us to let you know about the 'Back to School' social media campaign it is currently running for Facebook and Instagram to encourage parents and young people to check immunisations are up to date. The social media campaign plan, messaging and assets can be found via the [Information Resources](#) VPDP webpage page under [Social media resources to promote uptake of MMR and school booster for primary and secondary age children 23/8/19 to 13/9/19](#). The campaign runs until the 13.09.19. Information is also provided regarding the Flu immunisation which will be undertaken in the primary schools in October.

Photographs and Images of Children – Safeguarding our pupils is very important to us and this includes the taking and use of photographs and videos. We strongly advise against the publication of images on the internet. Our latest policy statement is available on the school website, if you wish to have a paper copy please ask us. Please read and return the attached letter.

Dates for your Diary:

Fri 6th Sept & weekly	Ice lollies available to buy in school at 50p each on Fridays this term
Fri. 13th Sept	KS2 trip to Harry Potter Studio Tour, London
Thurs. 19th Sept	Governors' meeting
Friday 4th Oct	Community Coffee Morning for Macmillan (10.30 – 11.30am)
Friday 11th Oct	Flu immunisation
26 Oct – 04 Nov	Half Term Break

Emergency Contact Details:

It is important that we keep contact details for all pupils up to date. We should therefore be grateful if you would please complete and return the following form as soon as possible.

Pupils Name/s:
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Address:

Home Telephone No.:

Emergency Contacts: Names & Telephone No.s: (+ Relationship to pupil)

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Newsletters:

Please let us know how you would prefer to receive our newsletters:

Electronically by email to:

and/or

Paper copy sent home with my child:

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KS2 AFTER SCHOOL CLUBS 2019 – 20 (Harvest Half Term)

I give permission for my child/ren *..... to stay to after school club

*Music/Computer on a Tuesday afternoon

*and / or Thursday Club.

I will arrange to collect *him/her/them on these days at 4.30pm.

Enclosed is *£14 (7 x £2) *Tuesday / Thursday Club OR £21 (7 x £3) for BOTH Harvest Term Clubs.

Signed * Date

*please delete/complete as appropriate.