

## Nursery & Reception Spring Term Newsletter 2018

A very big welcome back to everyone, especially to our new children - James, Erin, Cillian, Max and Georgia. Thank you very much for all our cards and presents - we hope you have all had a good Christmas holiday and are looking forward to the term ahead.

Our topic for this term is **Llangattock Explorers** which has a geography focus and teaches children about their local area, using and creating maps and different types of buildings. Further information about our topic is detailed in the attached topic web.

### Morning Routine

There is a trolley next to the front door for your child to put their lunch bag and drink onto, and there is also a basket for any Show and Tell items that they have brought. Each child has a named day for Show and Tell, and they are encouraged to bring in something related to our topic, or something that they have made at home - no toys, please.

Your child's Show and Tell day is as follows:

Monday: Florence, Charlotte, Thomas, Erin, Max

Tuesday: Mason, Alwyn, Georgia G, Samson, Cillian

Wednesday: Owen, Sophia, Osian, Robert, Carys, Noah

Thursday: Seren, Elsi, Evie, Maddie, Daniel, Georgia

Friday: Oliviya, James S, James P, Olivia, Alfie

**P.E.** will be on **Wednesday** afternoons this term. Children will need shorts, T-shirt and a pair of plimsolls or daps. PE bags are available from the Tesco website if required. It would be a great help if you could teach your child to dress and undress as independently as possible, and could you please make sure that all items of clothing and shoes are named to avoid mix-ups. Children should also be encouraged to put on their coat independently and practise fastening it.

## Outdoor Learning

Children have the opportunity to learn outdoors on a regular basis and we also have dedicated outdoor learning sessions in the school grounds on a **regular basis**. Children will also take part in Forest School activities with Mrs. Thomas in small groups on a rotational basis. We have some waterproof over-trousers for children to wear but we would be grateful if your child could bring in their own if they have them. They will also need a pair of **named** wellies to keep their feet dry; it would be useful if they could be left in school for the full week to take advantage of all outdoor learning opportunities.

## Snack

We have a snack-time break at 10.00 in the mornings when children are given a selection of bite-sized pieces of fruit and vegetables and offered a drink of milk. We need to charge £1.50 a week to cover this cost - this can be paid half termly (£7.50) or termly (£15.00) which is payable via ParentPay.

## Water Bottles

Could you please provide a named water bottle for your child as they are very active throughout the day and can get thirsty. This is especially important for those children who have school dinners and don't have drinks left over from their lunch. Thank you.

## Cooking

We cook a variety of foods on a Friday morning, usually something related to our topic. Every child has an opportunity to take part, sometimes in a small group and sometimes individually depending on what we are cooking. In order to provide this activity, we ask for a contribution of £3 a term towards the cost of purchasing ingredients. We appreciate your support with this as cooking is an activity they particularly enjoy.

**School Website:** [www.llangattock.powys.sch.uk](http://www.llangattock.powys.sch.uk)

As we are trying to be a paperless school whenever possible, any newsletters from Mrs Marshall will be posted on our website. We also put a weekly newsletter onto our Nursery/Reception class page with pictures of what we have been learning. Dates and other important information can be found on the site, so please check it regularly.

### Any questions?

We will be holding Parents' Evenings towards the end of term to discuss the progress of individual children but please feel free to call in and see either of us at the beginning or end of the school day if you have any concerns or queries.

You can email us at either of the addresses below. We check our emails regularly and will respond to them by the end of the week, but if you require a more urgent or immediate reply then please telephone us or call in to see us.

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