



Welshpool Church in Wales Primary School

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SPECIAL EDITION!

It is very important that all our pupils learn the Welsh language and about the culture of Wales. Welshpool Church in Wales Primary School has always worked hard to promote the language and culture of Wales. This special edition newsletter is to tell all our parents and carers about this important work.

Foundation Phase

Weekly Welsh lessons are taught as part of the curriculum.

All Foundation Phase pupils have 5 minutes a day of 'Tric a Chlic'. Weekly group 'Tric a Chlic' activities take place. Dewi Draig mascot - Siaradwr yr Wythnos (speaker of the week) takes home a virtual Welsh mascot over the weekend. A Flipgrid activity is then completed where pupils use Welsh key words to share their experiences with the rest of the class.

Key Stage 2 (Juniors)

Weekly Welsh lessons are taught as part of the curriculum. These lessons take place of one of the English lessons taught during the week.

All Junior pupils have 10 minutes a day of Welsh activities. These sessions are linked to the work completed in the weekly Welsh lessons.

Guided reading sessions take place at least once a week. Years 5/6 read *Cyfres Nici a Cris*. Years 3/4 read *Cyfres Babs a Benja*.

Welsh work based on the class topic is completed in Topic books. For example, in Years 5/6 - *Ail Ryfel Byd (WW2)* and Years 3/4 *Gwynt, Daear a Tân (Earth, Wind and Fire)*.

Whole School

At least one member of each class in the school is a member of the Criw Cymraeg. The Criw Cymraeg meet to share ideas on how to promote the Welsh language around the school. Members are responsible for choosing Siaradwr yr Wythnos (Welsh speaker of the week.)

Welsh yard games – Teacher and Criw Cymraeg are responsible for teaching Welsh yard games to promote use of Welsh language at play time.

Breakfast Club – 'Bocs Cymraeg' created that includes a variety of Welsh Games that can be played during 'Bore Cymraeg' (a weekly morning dedicated to Welsh). Welsh songs and videos will also be playing during 'Bore Cymraeg'.

Welsh Games & Display boards outside – A range of display boards and Welsh games are located around the school. Games include noughts and crosses and a 'Wall graffiti' where children can write Welsh keywords they are using throughout the week.

Cornel Cymraeg on Newsletter – Each week a new Welsh phrase will be included on the newsletter. This will encourage these phrases to be used at home and will remind children of the phrase of the week.

Welsh prayer – At the end of each day, classes will say a Welsh prayer.

Bala Football/Visitors – Events and activities such as Bala Football are being organised. Pupils will have the opportunity to use Welsh with different people that visit the school.

Ar Flaen dy Dafod – Each class in school has a 'Cymraeg ar Flaen dy dafod' display. Pupils names/photos are moved along the display to show how they are progressing with their Welsh skills.

Classroom visits – Welsh speaking members of staff will visit different classes throughout the school to participate in Welsh lessons / play Welsh games to promote the Welsh language.

A member of staff is currently undertaking a Welsh Sabbatical course to improve their Welsh skills.

*Cornel Cymraeg - Sut wyt ti? Sut ydych chi? (How are you?)
Dw i'n... (I am....)*

