



Welshpool Church in Wales Primary School

Newsletter Spring Term Number 9/Cylchlythyr 89 Tymor yr Gwanwyn

Monday 13th March 2023/Dydd Llun Mawrth 13ed 2023

Our value for this month is Perseverance



RED NOSE DAY

On Friday 17th March, is Red Nose Day! The children are invited to wear red noses and/or something red for a suggested donation of 50p, which will go to Comic Relief. We are also looking forward to the children sharing their favourite jokes! Thank you for your support in advance.

ARCHBISHOPS' YOUNG LEADERS AWARD

We are very excited to be one of only three schools in Wales taking part in a pilot for the Archbishops' Young Leadership Awards.

The award exists to see a generation of young people empowered to transform society. Through working in partnership with schools, churches and communities, they develop opportunities for young people to grow in leadership, faith and character.

The children in Year 5 will have practical opportunities to volunteer and help others in their



community. The children in Year 2 will consider the needs of their local community and build habits of helping others.

SCHOOL EISTEDDFODS

We can't wait to welcome all our parents/carers to our Eisteddfods this week!



Thank you all so much for supporting your children in their competition entries—we are extremely proud of everything the children have produced and can't wait to share it with you all.

The KS2 (Years 3 to 6) Eisteddfod will be on Tuesday 14th March and the Foundation Phase (Reception to Year 2) Eisteddfod will be on Friday 17th March.

Doors will be open at 1pm so all our parents/carers can enjoy a cup of tea or coffee provided by the Friends while viewing the children's arts and crafts entries, which will be on display in the Learning Street.

DATES

Tuesday 14th March—Eisteddfod for Years 3 to 6

Friday 17th March—Eisteddfod for Reception to Year 2

Friday 17th March—Red Nose Day

Tuesday 21st March—Cross Country at Maesydre

Monday 27th March—Easter Bingo

Friday 31st March—End of Term

MAKING PAYMENTS FOR SCHOOL MEALS

AND TRIPS



Schools in Powys will be working with a new online payment provider for school meals and other items such as school trips from April 2023. The current online payment provider is ParentPay. The new online payment provider will be Civica Pay. During March 2023, all parents and carers will receive information about how to register for a Civica Pay account and the transfer of existing balances.

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EASTER BINGO

MONDAY 27th MARCH

Doors open at 6pm and eyes down at 6.30pm!
£1 per book with plenty of Easter goodies as prizes!

Guess the weight of the Easter cake competition!

Refreshments will be available.

All welcome!

ALL CHILDREN IN RECEPTION IN POWYS NOW RECEIVE A FREE SCHOOL MEAL

As of April, all children in Years 1 and 2 in Powys will also receive a free meal.

If you are on a low income, please continue to claim for free school meals via <https://en.powys.gov.uk/article/11906/Free-school-meals> as you may also be entitled to other support such as the School Essentials Grant for uniform and other school clothing.

For more information on universal primary free school meals please visit <https://en.powys.gov.uk/article/12966/Universal-Primary-Free-School-Meals>

For more information on the School Essentials Grant please visit <https://en.powys.gov.uk/article/11907/School-clothing-grants>

More information about free school meals, the School Essentials Grant and universal primary free school meals is available from the Welsh Government.

Please visit: [Get help with school costs | GOV.WALES](#)

TIPS TO HELP KEEP YOUR CHILD SAFE ON SNAPCHAT

- 1. Make sure they sign up with the correct age.** Set up your child's Snapchat account together to make sure they sign up with correct age. This will automatically enable settings that help to limit unwanted contact from adults and access to certain features.
- 2. Talk to them about how to feel good on social media.** Children and young people can face lots of different pressures online. Use Childline's advice about How to feel good on social media to help give them the tools to manage their wellbeing online.
- 3. Set rules around friends.** Before your child starts using the app, talk to them about who they can be friends with on the app. Tell them to come to you if they receive a friend request from someone they don't know.
- 4. Know where to report.** There is a chance that your child could come across inappropriate or upsetting content on Snapchat. If this happens, you should report it to the platform. To report a Snap or a story, press and hold on it, then select 'Report Snap'.
- 5. Talk about what is ok / not ok to share.** Ensure that your child knows what personal and private information is, and what is, and is not, appropriate to share online.
- 6. Explore the safety features.** Explore the safety features that are available, like privacy settings and 'Snapchat Family Centre'.

