

LLANSANTFFRAID

Church in Wales Primary School

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Our School Value for this half term - Trust

12th April 2024

School Values – you will note from above our Value for this half term is Trust. When relationships within school are based on trust, it creates an ethos which is conducive to effective learning. Trust is the foundation of a successful school community and is an essential ingredient of Christian leadership, empowering adults and children to take on responsibility. Jesus entrusted his work to his disciples and ultimately to us. "But my trust is in you, O Lord; you are my God." Psalm 31:14

IMPORTANT Health and Safety – please note there are loose paving stones outside the village hall along the pavement towards school. We have reported this to the community council.

Sport – 27 children have gone to the Flash this morning for the first round of the swimming gala and we wish them well. There is a fast turnaround for any that go through to the second round on Tuesday.

Term topic – we have a Humanities Area of Learning and Experience focus this term throughout the school – Humanities encompasses History, Geography, RVE, Business Studies and Social Studies. For simplicity we have named this term as **Wales in the World**.

"Humanities is central to learners becoming ethical, informed citizens of Wales and the world. In contemporary and historical contexts, investigation and exploration of the human experience in their own localities and elsewhere in Wales, as well as in the wider world, can help learners discover their heritage and develop a sense of place and *cynefin*. It can also promote an understanding of how the people of Wales, its communities, history, culture, natural environment and landscape, resources and industries, interrelate with the rest of the world"

Dosbarth Mrs Davies - For our new topic we will be learning about Wales and everything Welsh, understanding how we fit into the wider world. We will be learning about our cynefin and the important roles and responsibilities that are held within our local area. We will be learning about how we can help to look after our cynefin and make it even better. We will be thinking about ourselves, how we are all the same and yet different and how important it is to understand this, making links to the United Nations Convention on the Right of the Child. We will be learning about our local church, the important role it plays in our community and how it links to our school.

Dosbarth Mrs Roberts - In Year 2 we began our topic 'Wales in our World' by thinking about what Wales means to us. We discussed the language, environment and how we see Wales today. With a need to focus this term on helping our community and understanding rights of people in our World, we have also started talking about the upcoming Olympics in Paris and how Wales is connected to this important event. With a strong focus on the paralympic games, we have decided to look further into the Olympics and how this supports ethical rights, beliefs from the past and present and the facts surrounding the events that take place and how they support the ethics around the world. We will also be seeking out opportunities for us to support our own ethics by taking on job roles to support the class and finding ways to help in our local community.

Dosbarth Miss Morris - We have finally reached the Summer Term with the new topic of Wales in the World. To begin, as a class we thought about the different features / elements of both Wales and the world and how wonderful it is...there is so much to learn as well as celebrate. Within the different Areas of Learning, Blwyddyn 3/4 came up with some of the following ideas: the story behind the Welsh flag, cultures and traditions in different countries, develop their awareness of their own rights through UNCRC, to recognise the impact of climate change

and how they can contribute to helping the environment, celebrate different religions and diversity, identifying events that bring the world together such as the Olympics and also, to find ways in which they can contribute to their local, national and global community.

Dosbarth Miss Davies - After discussion with the class we have decided that within our new topic of 'Wales in the World' we would like to look at how Wales has impacted other countries around the world. This includes looking at Patagonia and how the language and culture is ever present in their lives, possibly connecting with children from Patagonia, the pupils have also shown an interest in the history of the Welsh language and looking at how it is spoken now in comparison to the past. Another popular topic of interest was how Wales have performed at sporting events throughout the years, particularly looking at the Olympics that are coming up in Paris. These are just a few of the ideas and themes the pupils would like to look at within our exciting theme this term.

Church Links – Thank you to Rev Jo and the church community for our Infant worship in Church this week.

Healthy Schools – we wish to say thank you to Sue Jones for her Judo workshops this week. We very much appreciate it Sue.

Expressive Arts – we have been so lucky to secure fully funded workshops for Years 3-6 with Aled Phillips the Director and Conductor of John's Boys Choir (as seen on BGT 2023) and a leading light in the choral field. Both classes are participating in these workshops with him for 6 weeks with the choice of an added club after school too on a Thursday. We are very privileged.

UNCRC – United Nations Convention of the Rights of the Child: **Article 27** – I have the right to a proper house, food and clothing

IMPORTANT Bilingualism/Welsh Ethos – The Urdd have now confirmed their timetable for the Eisteddfod in Meifod during the May Half Term. The Choir competition will be on the Wednesday afternoon. For those children who have performed in the Choir in local and/or county round, we will confirm further details when we receive them.

Art Club continues on a Wednesday for those children in the Urdd completing group work.

- **IMPORTANT** School Meals please note that as of this week all school meals to Year 6 are funded by Welsh Government. Could we ask that all outstanding debts prior to Easter are settled please.
- **REPEAT MESSAGE** Expressive Arts we welcomed Dougie Graham to to demonstrate a range of brass instruments a very informative session. There will be an offer of Brass lessons at school (not sure how many spaces yet depends on instrument availability). Could parents inform Mrs Morris if they are interested so we know how many to cater for after Easter. For those who are seriously considering learning to play, there will be free taster sessions to start. The suggestion is pupils of about Year 3 upwards. We have some pupils interested but are looking for a few more.
- **REPEAT IMPORTANT** Recycling you may well have heard of the Welsh Government plans for businesses from April 2024 in that we must legally recycle whilst at school. All waste will have to be separated which includes food products. We do a lot already but will have to do more. For this reason we are asking that children bring their morning fruit snack in a container so that any waste can return home rather than being put into bins here eg skins and cores. Staff will be doing the same. Packed lunch children already take their waste food home so that parents know how much is being eaten.
- **REPEAT IMPORTANT** Clubs due to financial pressures we have made the decision to raise our fees for Breakfast Club from £1.50 to £2.00 and After School Club from £7.00 to £7.50 as of September 2024. We wish to give you plenty of notice. Our fees haven't been raised for many many years and we still believe we are very favourable when comparing other providers.

Ladybirds Latest

A new term and new staffing structure. Welcome to Jess Lewis as our Nursery Assistant – we hope she enjoys her time with us. Also thank you to Shona Broome for stepping up as the Nursery Leader.

The decision has been made due to financial constraints that the 2 year old session on a Monday has to end after May Half Term. Mrs Morris has spoken to the parents affected in person prior to this message.

Neuadd Llansantffraid Village Hall

Sioe Ffasiwn/Fashion Show

Gan/by

"Daisy Blue"

Ebrill 12 April 2024 7.30pm

Tocynnau £10 yn cynnwys gwydryn o win neu sudd oren Tickets £10 inc Glass of wine/Soft Drink

Cysylltu/Contact 07961584072 Elw Tuag at Eisteddfod yr Urdd Meifod 2024