

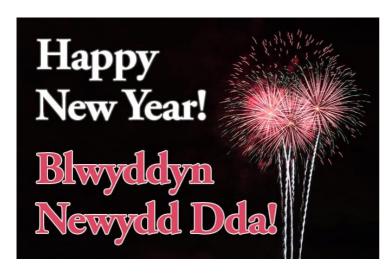
## **LLANSANTFFRAID**

## **Church in Wales VA Primary School**

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Our School Value for this half term - Responsibility

13<sup>th</sup> January 2023



**UNCRC** – United Nations Convention of the Rights of the Child:

**Article 9** – I have a right to live with a family who cares for me

**Article 10** – I have a right to see my family if they live in another country

School Values – you will note from above our Value for this half term is Responsibility. It is about making a commitment. This value is represented by the verse "For at one time you were darkness, but now you are light in the Lord. Walk as children of light" (Ephesians 5:8) Darkness can never dispel light, light always dispels darkness, light always wins. Jesus told several parables in which responsibility and accountability are at the centre as in the Parable of the Talents.

**Parentpay** – can we politely ask that all debts are paid off – lunches, Breakfast Club, Ladybirds, After School Club so that the extra wrap around provision can continue. Many thanks. We will then start distributing letters over the next two weeks for outstanding amounts.

**Friends of the School** – a meeting is being called for Thursday, 19<sup>th</sup> January at 3.15 to discuss fundraising. We would like as many parents as possible to attend, please please, as the funds benefit ALL children. If your child is with you from collection, we can accommodate them within the school under the care of staff. Otherwise pre-schoolers can be in the meeting under your care and supervision.

**School Meals** – please check the Powys meals site for updates on menus. Primary School Meals and Prices - Powys County Council Due to economies and supply issues, there may be changes at times and we can't be as flexible as we normally are, for example children having pasta and cheese instead of the main meal.

**Term Topic** – the whole school topic for this term is 'What a Wonderful World'. Class Teachers plan to ensure skills coverage but we always consult the Pupil Voice as to the content they wish to learn about. Ideas suggested for each class are as follows:-

The children in our **Reception and Year 1** class have been thinking about the term topic "What a Wonderful World". The children have decided that God and Jesus show us how to be better people every single day with being kind to each other at the top of our list! We have decided to investigate each of our school's values: Trust; Respect; Responsibility; Perseverance; Truthfulness and Courage. We will use these values and link them to our squirrels of the four purposes to help us to understand and appreciate that we are all different but that is something that should be celebrated and embraced to make our world even more wonderful!

In Years 2 and 3 we have discussed the different elements surrounding our new topic 'Our Wonderful World' and they have taken a keen interest in what makes them unique after reading the story 'Around the world with Max and Lemon'. The story focusses on a child asking her father if there is anyone in the world exactly like her. The child travels around the world meeting children of her age in different countries searching for anyone exactly like herself. Using this story, we have discovered what is unique about ourselves and made some 'Vision boards' thinking about what we would like to achieve this year. After looking carefully at our uniqueness, we will then become ethically informed citizens by comparing ourselves to other countries and cultures around the world through activities such as dances from other cultures, what causes our skin, hair and eyes to be different colours and shades and what traditions occur in other countries. We have also had some keen questions about food from different countries and cultures too, so we are looking forward to a few activities based around food and becoming healthy confident individuals. We will also be learning a whole range of languages and finding ways to become enterprising creative contributors to our world. Another action-packed term ahead!

For our new topic 'What a Wonderful World', the children in **Years 4/5** started by creating a spider diagram that displayed all the amazing things that are included in our world and even beyond. The children then thought about the different Areas of Learning and how they could link their ideas to the area. Throughout the term, the children would like to learn how to write poetry to help describe our 'Wonderful World', look at different types of transport and how far they would need to travel to get to different destinations, develop their skills on languages and research cultures and traditions, animals and plants, how technology has changed over time, create artwork on the Solar System and finally, what can they do to help make our world a better place.

In **Year 6** this term the pupils have decided to choose key questions to investigate the topic, these include. What is space? What is global warming? Why is deforestation bad for the world? How does evolution happen? How can we celebrate different cultures? How did dinosaurs become extinct? Lots of research, enquiry, discussion, debates to consider current issues and celebrate diversity.

**Urdd Eisteddfodau** – we now have the dates for the Welsh culture festival which fully returns after a gap since 2019 for those children who have paid to join Yr Urdd (as per Autumn letter). Should you have any queries, do not hesitate to ask Mrs Morris. More information about each Eisteddfod will be shared in due course.

Llanfyllin local round (Recitations Years 2-6) – 4/3/23

Llanfyllin local dance round (Year 6 Dancers) – 9/3/23

County round - 25/3/23

County dance round - 17/3/23

Arts and Crafts (any ages) 9/5/23 – theme and details to follow

## **Ladybirds Latest**

All about settling back in this week and enjoying hearing about the Christmas news of activities and gifts.

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FEB 17<sup>th</sup> Finish for Half Term 27<sup>th</sup> Return to school MAR 2<sup>nd</sup> School Eisteddfod 4<sup>th</sup> Urdd local Eisteddfod 9<sup>th</sup> Urdd local Dance Eisteddfod 17<sup>th</sup> Urdd County Dance Eisteddfod 25<sup>th</sup> Urdd County Eisteddfod 31<sup>st</sup> Finish for Easter