End of Year Newsletter

Llantilio Pertholey PTFA

September 2023 - July 2024



The Circus

Another fantastic year!

Cast your mind back to September when we kicked off our fundraising with an online competition from Monmouthshire Conservatory Company which we narrowly missed out, but thanks to your awesome efforts, they still awarded us a prize, which we were able to spend on new sports equipment. And we've finished the year with the Circus coming to our school! We have done so many things this year, but as always not only could we not do everything without your support, but we definitely couldn't do it without the volunteers that show up to help at events, and or coordinate them. Superheros!

If you're interested in helping out here and there next year, please get in touch.



What a year!







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An audiobook	A book containing words and pictures	Book fille begins with a 'T'	A book borrowed from the school or local library	Characters go on an adventur
A book with a number in the title	A book about an animal/bird	A non-fiction book	Re-read a book you enjoy	A book by your favourite autho
Take turns reading a page with someone	Read in your PJ's	Have someone read to you	Read in a homemade fort or den	Read or listen to a poem
Read a book aloud to someone at home	Look at a nature book	Look at a book about Dinosaurs or Space	A book with a colour in the title	Tell on adult about a story you've read



Did you know we are a registered Charity?

....we have been able to afford this:

Here is what we have spent our money on this year:















Planetarium Magician Year 6 Leavers Party Alien Visit (Parth Gwenyn) **Christmas Books** Pond Signs Rugby Tots (Parth Gwenyn) Christmas Disco Buses for ALL school trips (£2555) Easter Eggs **Circus Workshop** Wooden train for Parth Gwenyn yard Eco Shop equipment Sports Day Lollies Chess set / Slab (Parth Blodau Haul) Sports Equipment Football Table (Parth Blodau Haul) (Donation from money raised at DSUK coffee morning, and Children in Need) School Allotment Started Clearing the Pond















Did you know you're all automatically a member of the PTFA by being in the school community?

Next year?

What do we have planned?

We already have plans for next year!

Please keep 27th September free - we're hoping to do a Welcome to School Party (if we can pull it off)! If you want to be involved in planning, please get in touch. The dates we have already agreed will be coming out in the end of School Newsletter, so please make sure you read it, and pop them on your calendar! We've also put them at the end of this newsletter.

Don't forget our two groups - the Core Group, and PTFA lite. The PTFA lite are part of a WhatsApp group, who we notify of events coming up, and then they offer what help they can, or let us know if it doesn't fit in with their other commitments. If you would like to be in either of these groups, then please find any member of the PTFA, and they will add you. The Core group come up with ideas, and put plans in place for them to be executed.

Who are we?

As we stand this year, we are:

Chair - Lynn Green - Year 2 and 4 Vice Chair - Elaine Brown - Year 2 Treasurer - Emily Charrington - Year 6 Secretary - Anna Westall - Year 1 and Year 6

Core group: Carol-Ann (6), Bex James (3), Jodie Wham (1), Lucy Jones (R&1),

Our Teacher liaison has been Mrs Bawler (year 3), who along with Mrs Sutherland has been instrumental in everything we do. We wanted to say a special thanks to these guys, because we wouldn't be able to it without them.

We wish Mrs Bawler the best of luck in her sabbatical next year, and look forward to welcoming Miss Rolph in to the liaison role! We have been wonderfully supported by all staff throughout the school. and we would like to express our thanks to you all.

Children enjoying the Circus Skills workshop





Social Media

If you don't know, we have a very active FaceBook page where you can find out all the information about what we are doing, and contact us. Please share this with friends and family, as we often do fundraising where you don't need to be a direct user of the school (like Your School Lottery). and if you know anyone about to join the school, please share it with them too!

https://www.facebook.com/LlantilioPertholeySchoolPTA/

We also now post the same information to Instagram @LP_PTFA

We have been using PTA-events this year to book tickets. We made this move to take pressure off the Office staff. We have listened to feedback that there are adverts on the page, and whilst we appreciate that it can be annoying, we have looked in to other options, and this best suits our needs at the moment. To remove adverts, or use another platform will put an increased cost to either us, or you, which we desperately want to avoid so that all our money raised goes to the the Children at the school. This is also a nationally used site by many used PTA's. BUT - if you know of anything better, please please get in touch! We're not saying we wont change, we just want to change for the right thing. www.pta-events.co.uk/llantiliopertholeyptfa

We also have a notice board... It hasn't been very up to date this year (sorry), as its difficult to keep on top of things. If you think this is something you could help us out with, please get in touch!

Thank you & Goodbye

The end of this year means we have to say goodbye to some wonderful helpers.

Firstly, Emily Charrington who has been our treasurer for 3 years, encouraging and supporting the group even when she needed to take some time out. We wish you all the best for the future, and think that if your feet are itching to continue volunteering, Cantref PTA would be very lucky to have you! But, we suggest, put your feet up, and rest.

We also say goodbye to Carol Ann Bowden, and her husband Ian, who has been a member of the PTFA for 7 years! Carol Ann has been at pretty much EVERY event, with Ian in tow, who has selflessly given time off work to help out in anyway he can. Carol Ann has been instrumental in all the events, whether that's having a voice in what we do, to how its organised, baking the famous Lemon Drizzle Cake and welsh cakes, being an Elf, and many many more jobs. Thank you both for all the hard work, stapling, volunteering and wine drinking.

Elizabeth and Emma have also chosen to leave this year. Thank you for your help and support.

Calendar

There are some dates we can let you know now! Please be aware that they could change depending on volunteers, but we will keep you up to date on our socials and Schoop

September

27th - 3.20 onwards - Welcome Party (weather dependent). We have Little Dragon Pizza and an Ice Cream Van coming!

October

(4th - Welcome party back up date) 17th - Shwmae day 21st - Parth Gwenyn Film night (or other) 22nd - Parth Blodau Haul film night (or other)

December

5th - Family guiz and Curry

January

Launch Penny Wars

February

6th - Family Bingo 17th - Parth Gwenyn Film night (or other) 18th - Parth Blodau Haul Film night (or other)