



Llantilio Pertholey

Dear Parents and Carers,

What an incredibly busy half term. I can't believe how much we have achieved in just 7 weeks of being back at school. Take a look back at our TWITTER feed to see just a glimpse of what the children have been doing. I think they have earned a rest next week!

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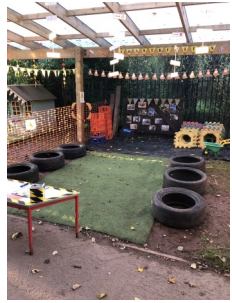
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Canopies

If you follow us on TWITTER you will have seen the progress of our canopies being installed in the Reception and Year 1 Outdoor Learning Areas. We are so excited! We are able set up the areas of provision and know that the children can access the learning opportunities and challenges whatever the weather and that our lovely resources will be looked after.



Congratulations!

We are really proud of Theo celebrating winning his class at the Welsh Open Youth Hare and Hound Motorcycle Enduro Championship. A lovely report in the newspaper too.



Motorcycle rider, aged 10, notches up first class win

ABERGAVENTNY motorcycle rider - 10 year old Theo Jones celebrated winning his class at the Welsh Open Youth Hare & Hound motorcycle enduro championship last month. The series attracted 200 riders from all over Wales and further afield and took place over five weekends. Theo has been involved in motorcycle sport for the last five years, helping out at events but his first race was a wet day at Llandidloes in August which got the series under way. The events involve a mass start similar to motorcross, but are over a longer duration. Despite wet and misty conditions, Theo took the overall win as well as his class in a well supported event. The following week, Theo was marshalling at the Wales & West Club's event at Ewys Harid. One week later, at Brongast in west Wales, the Dyfed Dirt Bike Club hosted the next round, and an equally wet day saw Theo lead from start

again proved his skill, taking the win despite almost losing out his bike at the start. The final round, organised by the Dyfed Bike Academy at Saint's Well near Newtown was the most challenging track of the series. Featuring motorcross track, woods and streams, the course was in great condition, and Theo once again took the class and overall victory. Theo attends Llantilio Pertholey School, and apart from motorcycling, he's playing rugby at Aber and mountain biking among his interests. Theo's friend Alys Roberts (11) from Usk also made her competition debut at the same weekend. The first year pupil at Monmouth Comprehensive made a steady start and beat some much more experienced riders to finish in the top half of the field and take second place in the girl's class. Both plan on practising hard through the winter for next year's series.

Theo-Jones above and right in action at the races
Pictures by GARY JONES

ended in riding in wet weather. The third round was at the famous Chumby Hill circuit at Rhydydd, where the local club again saw 140+ youth riders take part in three races. In the novice race, Theo




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Parents Evening

Thank you to all those who booked and met with the teachers this week. We know that sometimes the technology isn't easy but appreciate your support in helping to keep everyone safe.

Poppy Appeal

Many thanks to everyone who has supported this year's Poppy Appeal. We have sold so many items that we had to request more. We will continue to have items available for the first week back after half term.



Open Sessions for New Admissions

At this time of year many parents are making the important decision about choosing the right school for their child. We appreciate that this would be more difficult if parents were not able to look around the school so we are going to hold after school open sessions to allow people to look around. We are proud of our rapidly improving school and what we have to offer and we hope you are too. If you know anyone who is currently making this important decision please share the information below about the open sessions. If they would like to visit, ask them call the office so we can give them more details and book them in.

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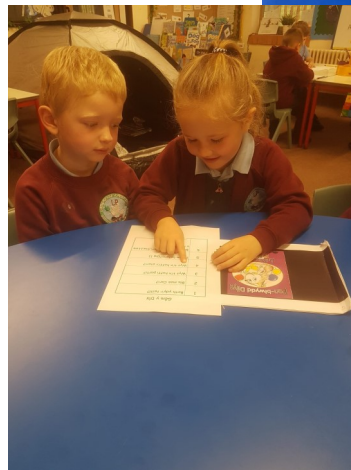
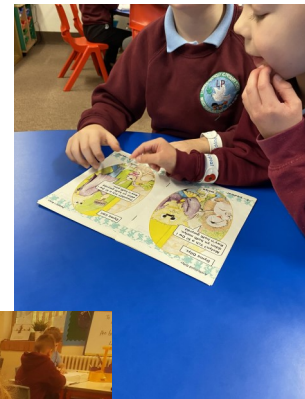
Daily w/c 1st November and w/c 8th November

Session 1: 4:00pm

Session 2: 4.30pm

Shwmae Day

On Monday we had Shwmae Day in school. The children came in wearing something red and celebrated the Welsh language. Mrs Hall shared a PowerPoint with some messages from Ben Breakspear (WRU Referee), Jeremy Miles (Education Minister) and Lee Waters (Welsh Assembly Member). Year 1 to Year 6 have been reading Welsh books during Group Guided Reading this week too!



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Attendance Reminder

Thank you for using the absence line to leave messages to let us know if your child is absent from school. Please could you provide a reason for absence for our records. E.g. sickness, cough, temperature etc

Gwent Music Tuition

Gwent Music offer music tuition in recorder, flute, clarinet and saxophone. The cost per term is £130 for 20 minutes or £195 for 30 minutes. If a child has free school meals then they offer a bursary of £65 per term towards fees.

If you would like further information visit www.gwentmusic.co.uk where there is a video guide on the home page to help with enrolment and payment.

First Aid for Parents

Would you know what to do in an emergency? There is a First Aid for Parents Workshop Wednesday 27th October, 5.30-7.30pm at the Abergavenny Youth & Community Education Centre, Old Hereford Road, NP7 6EL. The cost is £17.00. Email abergavennycommunitylearning@monmouthshire.gov.uk or phone 01291 426880 to book your place.

The workshop covers:

- CPR for babies and children
- Choking for babies and children
- Burns
- Broken bones
- Head Injuries
- Febrile Convulsions
- Dehydration
- Bleeding
- Childhood illnesses

Dates for Your Diary

25th October—29th October: Half Term
17th December: End of Term
4th January: Teacher Training
5th January: Start of Spring Term for children
21st February-25th February: Half Term
28th February: Teacher Training
8th April: End of Term
25th April: Start of Summer Term
Monday 3rd May: May Day
30th May— 3rd June: Half Term
6th June: Teacher Training
27th June: Extra holiday for Jubilee
1st July: Teacher Training
20th July: End of Summer Term

Thank for your continued support. Have a lovely half term.
Stay safe.

God bless.

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