

# ST. MICHAEL'S CHURCH IN WALES (AIDED) PRIMARY SCHOOL

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Dear Parents,

A very warm welcome back to you all and I trust that you had an enjoyable half term. As you can see from the information below the next few months are extremely busy!

# Welly Walk

You should have received before half term, sponsor forms for our 'Welly Walk' to be held on 22<sup>nd</sup> November. This is always an enjoyable event and has raised a lot of money in the past. Please start collecting those sponsors and if you are able to help us on our walk, please let the 'Friends of the School' committee know or alternatively, Mrs. Lewis in the office.

#### **Scholastic Book Fair**

The Scholastic book fair will be arriving in school on November 21<sup>st</sup> and will be available for purchases for a whole week. We have not had a book fair for many years and with reading being one of our main priorities this year, it seems ideal. There will be books available for all ages at a range of prices, perfect for those Christmas stocking fillers. We will be holding competitions prior to the sale, with pupils able to win book tokens to spend at the fair. The school will benefit from every sale, purchases of up to £300 will earn the school 25% back and over £400 will earn 40%. All of the money raised will be spent on reading resources for the pupils. We will continue to send more information nearer to the time.

# Parent and pupil questionnaires

You will soon be receiving a parental questionnaire that we would really appreciate you completing. It follows the same format as the Estyn inspection questionnaire and seeks opinions on a range of issues.

We ask that you please complete honestly, but also that you base your answers on current issues. There have been a lot of changes in the past 12 months and we would like your comments to be made with these in mind please. We ask that all responses are returned by Friday 15<sup>th</sup> November please and we will let you know the outcome of the questionnaires in due course. The children will also be completing a similar questionnaire in school.

# Update on building work

Our boilers are finally nearing completion and should be finished in the next two weeks. In the meantime, we have insisted that temporary boilers were installed as we cannot expect pupils and staff to work in cold conditions.

Work on the slate roof will commence in about 4 weeks time and will last for approximately 14 weeks. The work will affect Classes 3,2 and 1 in turn but we will try and keep disruption to a minimum.

We will let you know in due course about access arrangements during the process.

## After school clubs

Clubs have now finished for this term, we will restart in the new year.

Many thanks for your continued support, Mr. Phillips

#### November

4<sup>th</sup> – Staff inset – non pupil day

5<sup>th</sup> – Back to School

7<sup>th</sup> – School council meeting with Health and Wellbeing officer 11<sup>th</sup> Bishop's Castle transition morning – Y6

12<sup>th</sup> – Super Ambassador day

13<sup>th</sup> – Newtown Cross Country – Dolerw Park 12.30p.m.

15<sup>th</sup> – Rugby and Football festival Year 5 and 6

15<sup>th</sup> – Children in Need

19<sup>th</sup> – Individual and family photographs

19<sup>th</sup> – Storytellers assembly

19<sup>th</sup> – Final swimming session –

20<sup>th</sup> – Decathlon – Year 5/6

21st - Heptathlon - Year 2/3

21st-28th – Scholastic Book Fair

22<sup>nd</sup> – Welly Walk

#### December

4<sup>th</sup> – Christingle service 9.15a.m.

7<sup>th</sup> – Village Christmas fete

10<sup>th</sup> – Foundation Phase Christmas Production (Dress rehearsal) 2p.m.

11<sup>th</sup> – Foundation Phase Christmas Production 6p.m.

13<sup>th</sup> – Save the Children Christmas Jumper Day

13<sup>th</sup> – Christmas Dinner

16<sup>th</sup> – Foundation Phase cinema trip (AM)

16<sup>th</sup> – Foundation Phase party (PM)

17<sup>th</sup> – KS2 (Junior) Christmas Production (Dress rehearsal) 1.45p.m.

18<sup>th</sup> – KS2 (Junior) Christmas Production 6p.m.

19<sup>th</sup> – Key Stage 2 cinema trip (AM)

19<sup>th</sup> – Key Stage 2 party (PM)

20<sup>th</sup> – End of Autumn Term

## January

6<sup>th</sup> – Staff inset – non pupil day

7<sup>th</sup> – Start of term

31st - Netball Tournament

# **February**

3<sup>rd</sup> – Chester Zoo (Whole School)

3<sup>rd</sup> – Focus Topic Week –

Conservation and the environment

12<sup>th</sup> – Cross Country –

Newtown/Llanidloes/Machynlleth areas

14<sup>th</sup> – Half term

24<sup>th</sup> – Back to school

24<sup>th</sup>-26<sup>th</sup> – Llangrannog (Year 5)

#### March

2<sup>nd</sup> – St. David's Day celebration 1.30p.m.

23<sup>rd</sup> – Assessment week

31<sup>st</sup> – Parents Evening 3.30-6p.m.

#### April

1<sup>st</sup> – Parents Evening 3.30-6p.m.

3<sup>rd</sup> – End of Spring Term

20<sup>th</sup> – Staff inset – non pupil day

21<sup>st</sup> – Start of Summer Term

28<sup>th</sup> – National Test window opens

#### May

5<sup>th</sup> – National Test window closes

14<sup>th</sup> – Tennis competition

22<sup>nd</sup> – Half Term

#### June

1st - Back to School

1<sup>st</sup> – Focus Topic Week – Enterprise project

3<sup>rd</sup> – Cricket and Rounders competition

19<sup>th</sup> – Multisports Year 4/5 and 6

## July

3<sup>rd</sup> - Multisports Year 2/3

7<sup>th</sup> – Foundation Phase Sports Day (AM)

8<sup>th</sup> – Key Stage 2 Sports Day (Full day)

8<sup>th</sup> – Multi Skills –Year 1

10<sup>th</sup> – Summer Fete

14<sup>th</sup> – Foundation Phase Sports

Day (Reserve date)

15<sup>th</sup> – Key Stage 2 Sports Day

(Reserve date)

17<sup>th</sup> – End of Summer Term