



Spittal V.C. School

Newsletter 15 - Spring term 2022

Welcome back – I hope everyone had a good festive season and we wish everyone 'Blwyddyn Newydd Dda' for 2023. On behalf of all staff I would like to take this opportunity to thank everyone for the many cards, gifts and 'Thank you' messages we received for Christmas.

Welcome – to the pupils who have joined Spittal school at the start of term. Welcome to Thomas who has joined Dosbarth Poppit Sands and to the nursery children who have joined Dosbarth Dale – Alys, Andrew John, Celyn, Daffydd, Faith, Lucas, Macsen, Oakley, Sarah and Xander. We extend a warm welcome to the children and their families to our school community.

Curriculum Topic – This term our school topic theme is 'Pembrokeshire Past and Present'. Each class will focus on a different aspect of Pembrokeshire's past and present and look forward to sharing further information about this once the pupil voice part of the planning is completed.

Wider curriculum – Thursday's assembly introduced our whole school shared wider curriculum focuses. The half term focus value which forms part of our Religion, Values and Ethics curriculum is 'Hope'. We began to learn the about the role Archbishop Desmond Tutu played in promoting hope across the world but especially in South Africa. The focus Global Goal for this half term is Goal 16 – Peace, Justice and Strong Institutions which we noted that Archbishop Tutu also promoted. Our focus article for the month from the United Nations Charter of the Rights of Child is article 15 – The right to meet friends and join groups. We look forward to hearing about this wider curriculum learning from across the school and hearing about the children's thoughts and observations of the impact of these on their lives and of children across the world.

Inset training day – On Monday staff begun term with a school based training day focused on Welsh and Maths and Numeracy; both these curriculum areas have targets within the school improvement plan for this academic year.

Swimming – Dosbarth Cwm-yr-Eglwys will continue to have swimming lessons until the end of this half term. After the half term break Dosbarth Skrinkle Haven will begin their weekly swimming lessons.

Digital permissions – For those few families who have not yet completed the updated digital permissions form please use the link below to review and update the digital permissions for your child/ren. This form does include new questions on different social media and for this reason we would appreciate all families completing it.

https://forms.office.com/Pages/ResponsePage.aspx?id=Ug4_TzS3ZEGUCRtgHRR5kyRL1sXOuQNAhVjutp_hrQ9UQ0o2T0ZER0tGUkFORzQyVzVCSjlRMTg3VC4u

Dates for the diary

- Mon 20th – Fri 24th February – Half term break
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It's been a busy first week back and I hope that everyone has a restful weekend.

Yours sincerely

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'S. Vaughan', written in a cursive style.

Mrs S. Vaughan
Head teacher