

## March/Mawrth 2022

### Diary Dates/Dyddiadau Dyddiadur

#### March/Mawrth

1<sup>st</sup> – Whole School Eisteddfod  
 3<sup>rd</sup> – World Book Day  
 7<sup>th</sup> – Year 4 CELL Science/ Dance Performance & Workshop (am)  
 - Year 2 CELL Science/Dance Performance  
 9<sup>th</sup> – Bronze Ambassador Training  
 10<sup>th</sup> – Whole school sponsored walk for Ukraine  
 11<sup>th</sup> – Y5 WOW Day  
 15<sup>th</sup> – Full Governors Meeting 5 pm  
 17<sup>th</sup> – Y6 PC Skyrme  
 18<sup>th</sup> – Red Nose Day  
 22<sup>nd</sup> – Y5 & 6 visit to Craig y Nos  
 23<sup>rd</sup> – Parent Forum @ 4 pm  
 31<sup>st</sup> – Sensory workshop Camau Bach and Little Stars

#### April/Ebrill

7<sup>th</sup> – Easter Assembly  
 Last day of term  
 8<sup>th</sup> – Non Pupil Day  
 Easter Holidays – 11<sup>th</sup> April – 25<sup>th</sup> April  
 25<sup>th</sup> – Non Pupil Day  
 Pupils return to school on 26<sup>th</sup> April

#### May/Mai

2<sup>nd</sup> – May Day Bank Holiday

### Busy times and change!!

As a school we are very aware that this is yet another very busy time. We have had the Eisteddfod, World Book Day and Red Nose Day is soon also. The war in Ukraine has stimulated a great deal of discussion with the children, resulting in them asking to do something to help. The sponsored walk, on March 10<sup>th</sup>, is a direct action by the children, and as staff we commend their thoughtfulness and desire to help. A letter and sponsor form should have arrived home yesterday! However, with all of the experiences and opportunities this half term, **please only do what you can.**

The school is altering some of its operations linked to Covid as the rates are now low in school and the community, using data on the PHW tableau and from Powys. This means we have been able to reintroduce some things like assemblies, but only for half the school at a time, and we are looking at the possibility of some after school clubs also. These initial steps will, we hope, gain pace over the coming weeks. We are very pleased that the 'Comedy' club will be introduced from March 9<sup>th</sup> for Y3-6, as laughter is so beneficial for well-being! This is being provided as part of the Winter of Well Being grant funded activities in Powys. Please keep your eye on Schoop for future developments which we are currently discussing.

### Running Club

Our Bronze Sports Ambassadors are leading a running club, every Friday lunchtime. Initially this will be for Y5 & 6 followed by Y 3 & 4. If your child participates they will need a packed lunch on the day.  
 Evie, Maisie (Y6) Ruth & Jude (Y5)



### RED NOSE DAY SUPERHEROES– 18<sup>th</sup> MARCH

We have a limited number of red noses available in school to purchase @ £1.50. Please either send in your child with money or come to the office. The correct money would be greatly appreciated! Once they are gone they are gone!!!



Children can come to school dressed as they want. If you are able to send in a donation that would be great!

### Whole school Eisteddfod – Gwych!!!



We were thrilled to be able to hold our Eisteddfod this year – we have all missed it so much! The children's participation was fantastic. Art and poetry work across the school was undertaken for the Eisteddfod competitions to an incredibly high standard. On March 1<sup>st</sup> around the school, staff planned a wide range of activities for classes. This included cooking, art, writing, rich tasks and a complex maths challenge for Year 6! The afternoon was spent together for the Eisteddfod. We were very pleased to welcome back Mrs Thomas to help with the judging of the choirs and the Chairing ceremony. Hearing the House Choirs sing Yma O Hyd resonated with us – as the meaning is 'still here'! How pertinent after the last 2 years! Llongyfarchiadau to Sienna for winning the poetry writing in Year 2, Finlay in Year and Hywel for the choir. We hope you enjoy the video created with Criw Cymraeg, with images from the day which is on Schoop. Diolch for supporting the children with the Welsh costumes and clothing also. It adds so much to the atmosphere!

## World Book Day 2022

Thank you for supporting the children with so many wonderful ideas for costumes. The children did various activities in class around books, which even included a Harry Potter PE class in Year 5!! Here are just a few images from the day.



## Fire Safety Talk in Year 5

Year 5 had a fire safety talk from the Fire Service and learned how quickly a fire can grow! Year 5's top tips are:-

1. Do not charge phones/iPads overnight
2. Don't use cheap or frayed chargers.
3. Don't use extension leads in chargers.
4. Have a family escape plan (Plan It, Know It, Practise It)
5. Remember 'Get Out. Stay Out. Dial 999.'

For free safety advice call 08001691234 or visit [www.mawwfire.gov.uk](http://www.mawwfire.gov.uk)



## Healthy Snacks Please!

A polite reminder that, as a healthy school, pupils should be having healthy snacks at breaktimes eg fruit or vegetables. We have noticed an increase in children eating crisps and snack bars. These should only be eaten as part of the child's lunch time food, not at breaktimes. There is a great deal of material about the effect of nutrition on children's learning and ideas about healthy eating in schools should you want further information.

The latest Powys school menu can be found at:-

<https://en.powys.gov.uk/article/7120/Primary-School-Meals-and-Prices>



PLEASE REMEMBER WE ARE A NUT FREE SCHOOL AS WE HAVE CHILDREN WITH SEVERE ALLERGIES. PLEASE CHECK LUNCHBOXES BEFORE SENDING THEM INTO SCHOOL. THANK YOU.

This newsletter is available on our website

[www.llanfaes.powys.sch.uk](http://www.llanfaes.powys.sch.uk)

Did you know we continue to use Twitter also? Follow us @LlanfaesSchool



## Digital Directors Update



Lots of our children are using You Tube at home, some even have their own accounts.

These are tips for keeping children safe when they are using this App. They should, of course, be on YouTube Kids as the age rating on You Tube is 13 years old. These ratings give guidance just like the ratings given to films to show what is suitable.

Here is a link to safety advice for You Tube.

<https://www.teachthought.com/technology/12-ways-to-make-youtube-safer-for-children/>