# Newsletter Christmas 2021

One Family, Shining Brightly







All of us at Parc Lewis Primary would like to thank our amazing children for the way they have returned to school life this term. Also to you the parents/guardians for your continued support and assistance in ensuring that we can all work together to give the best to our children.

We wish you all a very Happy Christmas and look forward to seeing you all safe and well in the New Year.



#### **Christmas Concerts**

As I'm sure you're all aware, unfortunately we won't be able to invite families into school to watch our Christmas productions this year.

This is due to the ongoing RCT Covid risk assessments concerning large gatherings in confined spaces such as the school halls. It is felt we would not be able to guarantee everyone's safety whilst infection rates remain in the Treforest area.

We will however send a text link to parents with every class performing a carol, song or poem etc and telling the poem,

'Twas the night before Christmas'.

(Please don't share the links on social media platforms).

Fingers crossed next year we will be able to welcome everyone back and celebrate together!



## **Upbeat Drumming**

Our six-week session with Upbeat is due to finish at Christmas. Mrs Gogherty's class and Mrs Goddards class have been amazing picking these skills up this term. Examples of these lessons can be seen on our Twitter page.



## **DATES FOR THE DIARY 2022**

Spring Term

Tuesday 04.01.2022 – Friday 8.04.2022 Half Term

Monday 21.02.2022 - Friday 25.02.2022

Easter Break

Monday 11.04.2022 - Friday 22.04.2022

Summer Term

Monday 25.04.2022 – Friday 22.07.2022 Half Term Monday 30.05.2022 – Friday 03.06.2022 May Bank Holidays 02.05.2022



## **Rugby Team**

Our school rugby team have started back training and playing games against other schools.

For the last month Mrs. Rourke and Mr. Minton, School Governor, have taken children down to the USW indoor campus at Treforest Playing Fields. Their progress has been impressive and are now competing at a very high level. Well done and keep up the hard work!





### **Circus Skills and Magic Show**

On Friday 3<sup>rd</sup> as a Christmas treat for the children, Hapi have kindly sponsored 'Gizmo' the magician and Circus Skills for our FP and KS2 children.

Check the pictures out on our Twitter page.



# **Christmas Dates**

Friday 3<sup>rd</sup> Dec – FP 'Gizmo' magic show
KS2 – Circus Skills
(Funded through the 'HAPI' project
Wednesday 8<sup>th</sup> Dec – Jazz Band Performances
(All school)

Thursday 9<sup>th</sup> Dec – Christmas Wrapped- Y2
Tuesday 14<sup>th</sup> Dec – Christmas Dinner Day
(Children can wear their Christmas Jumpers!)
Wednesday 15<sup>th</sup> Dec – FP Christmas Parties
Thursday 16<sup>th</sup> December – KS2 G2BG Treat

Friday 17<sup>th</sup> December – Last Day (Non-Uniform Day)



Check out our new piece of art work on the Early Years building designed by our fabulous Y2 and Y3 children!



### **Cook Together**

Richard from Cooking together continues to work with our Junior children on a weekly timetable. The pupils love these sessions and take what they make home with them after school. Thank you Hapi for sponsoring these sessions and we look forward to carrying on after Christmas.

Diolch yn Fawr



#### **School Clubs**

It's lovely to see some of our school clubs starting back!

Mrs Rourke, with the help of students from USW has started back our rugby club after school on Thursdays.

Mrs Henshaw, Mrs Morgan and Mrs Williams are also busy on a Tuesday after school taking the lovely calming Sewing Club.

Coding Club run by Mrs Gogherty, Miss Jones and the Digital Leaders is on a Tuesday after school.

Also, on a Wednesday Lauren comes in at lunchtime to organise lunchtime games for our Junior children.

Olivia, a student from USW is busy on a Friday taking groups of pupils for 'Therapeutic Arts' sessions.

Thank you everyone for helping all our children.

Please keep your eyes peeled as clubs change on a termly basis and we can only accommodate a certain number of children in each one.



**Other School Activities** 

Even without our Christmas productions as you can see this term has been extremely busy. All KS2 pupils were recently able to take part in Virtual Reality sessions where they could virtually explore many different environments including Ancient Rome and Outer Space.

What a fantastic way to learn!

Year 5 and Year 2 children worked with Spectrum to learn what Safe Relationships are.





See you TUESDAY 4th January 2022