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January 2024 Newsletter

Dear Parents/Carers & Friends,

Happy New Year! Let's hope that 2024 is full of happiness and successes.

It's lovely to see the children back in school with rosy cheeks and big smiles!

This term we're discussing the idea of "Belonging" and "Cynefin". We'll be focussing on our local community and Wales before exploring the wider world and the opportunities available. Classes will be sharing their plans on the website this week along with details of how you can support at home.

The New Year brings new challenges, opportunities and adventures and I hope you'll join us in many of these as we launch our Parental Engagement initiative, led by Miss Ivison. We want to further involve parents, carers, families and friends in school *life – keep an eye on the website for upcoming* events and further details.

As always should you have any questions or comments please do not hesitate to contact me here at school.

Diolch,

Mrs Billington

Mrs R Billington Headteacher/Pennaeth





Snach Snack payments are now due for this half term:

> Infants £5 Juniors £6.25

Please make payments using Parent Pay or via Mrs Carver in the school office.

### School Funds

### A HUGE THANK YOU

to everyone who supported us last term by attending the Christmas concerts, our outdoor stalls and purchasing raffle tickets. In total we raised just over £1,200 for our School Funds which is incredible!

This money will be used to enhance our curriculum and of course provide special treats for all the children.

**DIOLCH YN FAWR IAWN!** 



Applications for Nursery places for September 2024 are now open. Please visit <u>www.wrexham.gov.uk</u> and click on School Admissions to apply!

# Term Dates 2024

# Spring Term 2024:

Monday 8<sup>th</sup> January to Friday 9<sup>th</sup> February 2024 Half Term Week: 12<sup>th</sup> February 2024 Monday 19<sup>th</sup> February to Friday 22<sup>nd</sup> March 2024 *Training day: 8<sup>th</sup> January 2024 School closes for Easter on Friday 22<sup>nd</sup> March 2024* 

### Summer Term 2024:

Monday 8<sup>th</sup> April to Friday 24<sup>th</sup> May 2024 Half Term Week: 27<sup>th</sup> May 2024 Monday 3<sup>rd</sup> June to Friday 19<sup>th</sup> July 2024 *Training days: 8<sup>th</sup> April; 14<sup>th</sup> June* School closes for summer on Friday 19<sup>th</sup> July 2024





## In the Community

Children from Years 3 to 6 visited the wonderful Narnia Experience with Pastor David in December whilst Years 1 & 2 took part in a crib service at St Martin's with Father Huw. The children loved being out and about!

Years 5 & 6 joined the luncheon club at the Church of the Nazarene to share some Christmas carols and spread the joy of the festive season.

## Attendance

Whole School Attendance for the Autumn Term was
93.22% which is fantastic – well done everyone! Of course, there's always room for improvement and I'm sure we can hit the 94% mark this term.

As an additional incentive we'll be running regular class challenges this term. The class of the week with the highest attendance will earn a £5 voucher to spend as they please.

I wonder who will win the most vouchers this term? To win, just simply come to school!!!





Our Year 5/6 Football Teams were out and about in the cold and wet weather competing in tournaments against other Wrexham schools.

We had a few wins, draws and losses but most importantly we had FUN and are looking forward to more matches this year.



### Spring Term Concert:

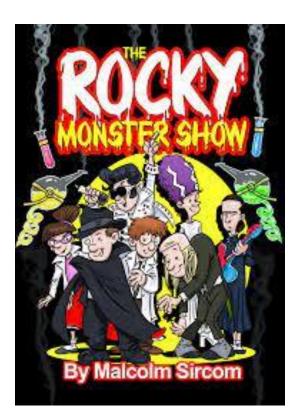
Years 5 & 6 are proud to present their Spring Term production of:

### "The Rocky Monster Show!"

#### on Thursday 1st February 2024

Come along to see our wonderfully talented children dazzle the audience!

Tickets are £1 each and will be available to buy from Mrs Carver from Monday 15<sup>th</sup> January. There will be a limit of 2 tickets per family until Friday26th January, after which we will sell any remaining tickets on a first come, first served basis.



Some Christmas snapshots from our Infant department 😨







This term we're focussing on "Appreciation" and learning what gratitude is. We'll be drawing on our character strengths and Happy Breathing as we explore all the different ways that we can express gratitude and learn why gratitude is so important in our daily lives.

Our think about quote is "Feeling gratitude and not expressing it, is like receiving a present and not opening it."

Lots of the children have been sharing how much they enjoy their My Happy Mind sessions and how it is helping them to understand themselves. Tegid class produced a video to share their thoughts, which won a national competition and earned them a Team HAP mascot!!!

Congratulations Dosbarth Tegid, Miss Ivison a Miss Davies. Llongyfarchiadau!



### Treasure Chest

We have limited spaces available for under 3s childcare – please see the website for details and contact Elaine or Jess if you would like to arrange a visit.

**Upcoming Events:** further details will be shared on the website and in the school calendar (new dates added are shown in green)

Thursday 1<sup>st</sup> February Wednesday 7<sup>th</sup> February Wednesday 21<sup>st</sup> February Friday 1<sup>st</sup> March Tuesday 19<sup>th</sup> March Friday 22<sup>nd</sup> March Wednesday 10<sup>th</sup> April Thursday 2<sup>nd</sup> May Monday 20<sup>th</sup> May Tuesday 21<sup>st</sup> May Wednesday 22<sup>nd</sup> May Thursday 23<sup>rd</sup> May Tuesday 16<sup>th</sup> July Wednesday 17<sup>th</sup> July

- Years 5 & 6 Concerts
- Year 5 residential trip to Glan Llyn
- Year 6 residential trip to Nant BH
- St David's Day celebrations non-uniform wear red/green
- Family Easter Bingo event details to follow
- Non uniform day no charge.
- Year 4 residential trip to Pentrellyncymer
- Years 3 & 4 Concerts
- Early Years Sports Day
- Infants Sports Day
- Years 3 & 4 Sports Day
- Years 5 & 6 Sports Day
- Year 2 Graduation Ceremony
- Year 6 Graduation Ceremony

