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St. David's Day - March 1st - next Monday

I know the children have been doing some activities based within a Welsh theme this week. The older children have been completing them at home as part of the online learning tasks and the younger children have been completing some in school. Normally, we would be celebrating the work in the hall at school and announcing winners to the competitions etc. Hopefully we will get back to that next year! So, for now, each class will be announcing the winners to competitions and sharing they activity with each other. We will be let you know how it goes!

On Monday, the younger children can wear their Welsh costumes into school if they have one. Please do not worry if you have not got a costume / welsh jersey. Please do not go out and purchase - this is not an essential journey and everyone is in the same situation. If you have one, that's great but if you haven't our school jumpers are red and have a welsh dragon logo! How perfect is that!! Lets just made it a day for wearing red!

If your children are still working from home please send pictures in of how they are celebrating our Welsh day. Stories of St. David, what is the significance of the leek, why a daffodil, make some welsh cakes, barabrith, Welsh musician, Welsh artists, famous Welsh people, Welsh language, place names - road signs. There are so many things you can do. Google will help!! Have fun.



Just something to share - for the grown ups

If you have time, take a look at this youtube clip. It has a good simple message that is quite significant whilst living through this pandemic. Enjoy.

Simple theory for a happy life

<https://youtu.be/uTkvEUwYfpY>

When are the key stage 2 children starting back to school?

It looks like we will be planning for March 15th. We are yet to find out if this will be a phased return or if they will ask us to bring them all back at the same time. We will update you as soon as we know. Fingers crossed that infection rates will stay low so that they can come back into school to join the younger ones. It has been so good to see the younger children coming back into school. They have settled straight back in with no problems whatsoever. They are full of smiles and they are enjoying. Staff are so pleased to see them and they too are much happier now to be back in school. We are all looking forward to being back in the building as we should be. We will get there! Keep going everyone. Nearly there!

The fight against COVID

Everyone following the rules is crucial to getting the children back into school and preventing another closure and preventing classes having to isolate.

The government have stressed what we cannot do. Please, please, please protect our community and follow these rules.

- we still need to stay at home unless it is essential or exercise
- up to four people, from two households can meet outside
- one support bubble for single parents
- face coverings in public places
- face coverings outside school gates during handover
- social distancing - even outside
- regular handwashing / sanitizing

Schools have an added measure and must ensure there is good ventilation.

School staff are now being tested twice a week. This is to help keep our school community safe. Once again, a massive thanks to the staff for all their hard work over this last year. They have continued to work tirelessly with our families and ensured that the children's learning continues. It has been a stressful and anxious time for them all. Imagine having 30 different families into your home. Their safety measures have had to be robust. They have been brilliant!

3-7 year olds are back in school

But we'll have to wait a little longer for sleepovers, birthday parties, sharing lifts and meeting friends – even if they're in the same bubble at school

This helps limit the spread of the virus and means schools and childcare stay open



Together we'll keep Wales safe
gov.wales/coronavirus



Parent meeting

We will be holding a parent meeting sessions next week via Teams. More details will follow. The purpose of the meeting is to provide you with an opportunity to "have your say". We usually hold these meetings in the school hall. We will be asking about your views on the school return and our safety measures, home learning, school communication methods and any other concerns that parents may have. We will send out a link for the meeting if you would like to join with some of the staff.

Successful first week! Have a good weekend everyone! Enjoy the sun in your gardens whilst its out!!