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Venerable Edward Morgan Catholic Primary School Newsletter

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Croeso Pawb From the Head

A warm welcome back after the half term break. It was so good to see so many of you at the recent Pupil Progress Evenings. For those parents who attended, we hope this has been an informative meeting about how your child has settled into their new class. If you were not able to attend on either evening, please contact school to arrange a call from your child's Class Teacher. As a school we strive to ensure you know everything that your child is learning and about their progress so that you can support and encourage them. We hope the interim reports you received on your child's progress helps you do this.

Class Assemblies

In the new year we intend to re-introduce class assemblies after a two year absence. We know this is something that has been missed by parents, so we are glad we can bring them back into our calendar of events. Each class will take part in a class assembly to share the work they have been doing with family and friends. Assemblies will take place on Thursday mornings at 10am. The first one will take place in January 2023. Please see the dates in the table.

Parents/Carers and Grandparents are very welcome to come into the school hall and watch the assembly on the day.

26/01/23	- 10AM	- MAPLE
02/02/23	- 10AM	- ASH
09/02/23	- 10AM	- BEECH
16/02/23	- 10AM	- OAK
02/03/23	- 10AM	- ASPEN
09/03/23	- 10AM	- HAZEL
16/03/23	- 10AM	- WILLOW
11/05/23	- 10AM	- CHERRY/CHESTNUT








Car Parking


May we please remind all car users once again the need for considerate parking and courtesy to our neighbours. Please do not block drives or make it hard for our neighbours to get on or off their property. We are also concerned that one day there will be an accident or injury to a child and we know this is something none of us wish for.


In order to keep our children safe, please consider the following actions you can take to help eliminate parking issues around school:


 Car share

 Park car a short distance away and walk the rest

 Give yourself plenty of time

 Think before you park - can the emergency services get through? (if you were in need and they were delayed because they couldn't get through, how would you feel?)

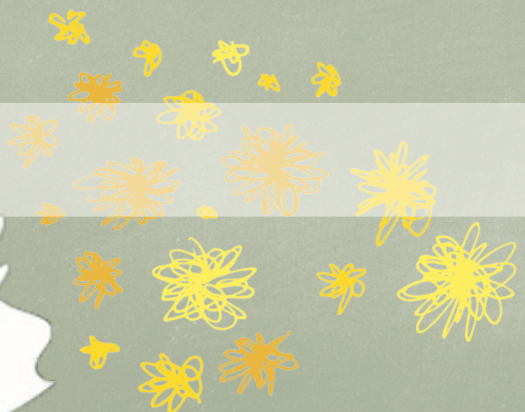
 Think how you would feel if someone stopped you getting on with your daily life because they had blocked you in

 Think how you would feel taking visits or calls from irate neighbours when you haven't committed any offence - (myself and the school office are doing this on a regular basis)



What we learn with pleasure,
we never forget.

- Alfred Mercier



VEM Saplings *Early Entitlement*



Is your child turning 3 between 1st September 2022 and 31st December 2022?

If they are did you know we offer 'Early Entitlement' places in our Nursery provision. Applications open on 14th November 2022 apply at: <https://www.flintshire.gov.uk/en/Resident/Schools/Early-Entitlement-Scheme-Flintshire.aspx> Children can start attending in the term following their 3rd Birthday i.e. if they are 3 in November 2022 they can start VEM Saplings in January 2023. Eligible children can attend for 2.5 hours Mon-Thurs 9am to 11:30am. If either parent works 16 or more hours a week you can claim up to 30 hours childcare through the Welsh Government Childcare Offer - apply at gov.wales/childcareoffer

Please tell your friends and family who have children turning 3 this Autumn Term. Please contact the School Office on 01244 830408 for more information.



ANTI-BULLYING WEEK



Anti-Bullying Week 2022 is happening from Monday 14th – Friday 18th November 2022 and has the theme 'Reach Out'. During this week, the pupils will be taking part in activities to help think about how we can reach out to prevent and stop bullying and celebrate what makes us all unique. Our Rights Respecting School Steering group will be leading an assembly sharing a short film with the classes to initiate discussions.

To start the week off on **Monday 14th November 2022** we will be taking part in **Odd Socks Day**. All the children are encouraged to come to school in Odd Socks. This is an opportunity to have fun, be yourself and spread awareness of the core values Anti-Bullying Week promotes.

FRIENDS

OF THE SCHOOL

A huge thank you to Mrs Prince and the Friends of the School Group for the recent Halloween raffle - it raised an amazing £242 which has already been used to subsidise recent trips.

The next event is the Christmas Tree Festival on Friday 2nd December 2022.



Friday 18th November 2022 for Toiletries/Bottles or £1
Friday 25th November 2022 for Chocolate or £1
Friday 2nd December 2022 for Cakes or £1



CRIW CYMRAEG



Helo!

Criw Cymraeg Yma.

We've been busy this term running our weekly assemblies where we announce who has been spotted by the Ditectif Cymraeg and won a certificate. Here we also announce the phrase of the week.

We are working hard to complete the targets on the Bronze Level of the Starter laith-Language Charter. We recently started visiting the Foundation pupils at Dinnertime to teach some of them games such as 'Cath Cath Ci' and 'Faint o'r gloch Mr Blaidd?'

Tan Tro Nesa!

The Book Fair will be arriving in school on Thursday 10th November 2022. There are over 200 titles for you and your child to choose from, and with prices starting from only £2.99, there's sure to be a book for everyone. If you can't make it to our Book Fair, try our Gift Vouchers available at www.bookfairs.scholastic.co.uk/parents. They're a great way to ensure your child doesn't miss out. Don't forget that every book you buy can help to get **FREE BOOKS** for our school!

Open at playtimes for pupils and after school for parents and carers every day until Wednesday 16th November 2022.

The brochure is now available to view on the documents section of OurSchoolsApp and on the Newsletters page of our website.

www.vemschool.co.uk/uploads/files/scholastic-book-fair-brochure-169.pdf

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AFTER SCHOOL ACTIVITIES - STARTING WC 7TH NOVEMBER 2022

AMASING
TUESDAYS • 3:15 TO 4:15
8TH NOVEMBER TO 20TH DECEMBER 2022

FOR Years 2 to 6
Please book your child's via this link:-
<https://amasing-arts.class4kids.co.uk/>



FOR Years 3, 4, 5 & 6
Please book your child via the forms handed out to pupils or contact Mrs Clarke in the Office

DODGEBALL
TUESDAYS • 3:15 TO 4:15
15TH NOVEMBER TO 6TH DECEMBER 2022



Last session owing from previous half term Friday 11th November 2022 ONLY!
Due to dark nights and no room in the hall sessions will not resume until later in the spring term.

FOOTBALL • FINAL SESSION
FRIDAY 11TH NOVEMBER '22
3:15 TO 4:15

**DATES
FOR
YOUR
DIARY**

NOVEMBER

7th - School Reopens
14th - ODD SOCK DAY - to mark the start of Anti-bullying week
21st - Full Governors Meeting - 6pm

DECEMBER

Fri 2nd ~ Christmas Tree Festival - Pupils 14:00-15:00 - Parents from 15:00
Mon 5th ~ FLU Vaccines Morning
Tue 6th ~ Christingle Service Yr's 3 & 4 - Blessed Sacrament Church @ 17:00
Fri 9th ~ Early Years concert (Cherry/Chestnut) - Tickets provided 2 per family - 10:00
Tue 13th ~ Foundation Phase Concert (Willow/Hazel) Tickets provided 2 per family - 14:00
Thurs 15th ~ Yr's 5 & 6 concert - tickets provided 2 per family - 14:00
Fri 16th ~ Show 'n' Share Morning 09:00- 09:15
Weds 21st ~ Christmas Dinner & Christmas Jumper Day - wear your favourite Christmas Jumper for £1 in aid of Save the Children Fund
Thurs 22nd ~ Christmas Pyjama & Hot Chocolate Day
Thurs 22nd ~ School closes for Christmas Holidays
Fri 23rd ~ Staff Training Day - School closed to pupils

STAFF TRAINING DAYS
School closed to Pupils

- 23rd December 2022
- 17th February 2023
- 31st March 2023
- 5th June 2023

JANUARY

9th - School Reopens



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