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Venerable Edward Morgan Catholic Primary School Newsletter

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Croeso From the Head

Croeso Pawb

I hope you all enjoyed your Easter and had a good break and found time to spend with your nearest and dearest. Please see below the important dates and information for this Summer Term.

Swimming

YEARS 5 & 6

Year 6 will start swimming lessons on Friday 21st April to Friday 26th May 2023.

Year 5 will start swimming lessons on Friday 9th June to Friday 14th July 2023.

Pupils will walk to the sessions held at Connah's Quay Pool after lunch on Friday and return before the end of the School day.

Pupils will need:-

- Swimming Costume or Trunks
- Towel
- Goggles
- Coat suitable for the weather



CLASS ASSEMBLIES

We are so pleased that the re-introduction our class assemblies after a two year absence, has been so successful.

We have the last of our class assemblies this half term and the children of these classes look forward in sharing the work they have been doing with their families.

Assemblies will take place on Thursday mornings at 10am.

The first one will be presented by Dosbarth Cherry on 11 May 2023.

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

Dates

11/05/23 - 10am - Cherry

25/05/23 - 10am - Ash

BOOK FAIR

The Book Fair will be arriving in school on Thursday 27th April 2023. 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 3rd May 2023.

LOVE TO READ



VEM Saplings *Early Entitlement*

Has your child turned 3 between 1st September 2022 and 16th April 2023?

If they have did you know we offer 'Early Entitlement' places in our Nursery provision. Applications are now open, 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 who have turned 3 since September 2022. Please contact the School Office on 01244 830408 for more information.



Friday 16th
June 2023
For Bottles
or £1.00



Friday 23rd June 2023
For Toiletries or £1.00



Friday 5th
July 2023
For Cakes
or £1.00

SUMMER FAIR

5TH JULY 3-5PM



Friday 30th
June 2023
For Chocolate
or £1.00

Criw Cymraeg

S'mae! Criw Cymraeg yma.

This term we will be very busy as usual, we will be handing out Tocyn Iait (Language Tickets) which can be spent on small Welsh items on a Friday in our Siop Cymraeg. So make sure you are using your Welsh everyone! We will especially be looking for this in the dinner hall.

Can you ask for your dinner in Welsh - Beth sydd i ginio? What is for dinner? Ga i...? May I have? You can try these at home too! Pob lwc!

Tan tro nesa.



Football Lessons



On Thursday 20th & Friday 21st April 2023, Years 1 & 2

will start Football Lessons with The Racecourse Community Foundation (Wrexham AFC).

Year 1 will partake in these sessions on a Thursday and Year 2 will partake in these sessions on a Friday. Each Year Group will need to come in PE Kit on their day including appropriate trainers (no school shoes). Also, please ensure your child brings a bottle of water for these sessions.

UNIFORM

We have finally got a new supplier for our uniform - Monkhouse (Forresters), Mold. Please see points below which should help you when ordering uniform in the future:-

- Uniform is now on display in store
- The website is live but still a work in progress waiting for logoed images to be added.
- Link to the website is:

<https://www.monkhouse.com/school/venerable-edward-morgan-school-urn-400383-id-371791>

- The website can also be accessed by going to: Monkhouse.com, and clicking on Find my School in the top search bar, the school can be found by choosing the letter V or by keying in Venerable Edward Morgan
- Click and collect to the school is set up for Wednesday. This service is totally FREE and included with every order are FREE return labels, you will be notified by text / email so you will know when your parcel is ready for collection, parcels will be handed to the children to bring home with them.
- The website will also give all the opening times, address, phone number, email address etc, they are currently still on winter hours which change in May, in the summer they open on Sundays as well, there is loads more information on there to help you.
- Monkhouse (Forresters), 14/16 New Street, Mold, Flintshire, CH7 1NZ, Tel no 01352 756636, email address: mold@monkhouse.com, store manger: Lea Morriss
- They will be launching a payment plan for back to school 2023, along the lines of Klarna, this will only be available on line for the time being but may go in store at a later date, they hope this will help you in your planning and ease the load

AFTER SCHOOL ACTIVITIES

AMASING

Tuesdays - 3:15 to 4:15
Years 2 to 6

18th April to 23rd May
2023

6th June to 18th July 2023
pay online at:

<https://amazing-arts.class4kids.co.uk/>

DODGEBALL

Tuesdays - 3:15 to 4:15
FOR Juniors ONLY

25th April to 4th July 2023
(10 weeks)

Please book your child via the forms handed
out to pupils or contact Mrs Clarke in the
Office

TAG RUGBY - FREE

Thursdays - 3:15 to 4:15

FOR Years 5&6 ONLY

27th April to 25th May 2023
(5 weeks) initially.

Please book your child via Parents Evening
System

<https://venedwardmorgan.schoolcloud.co.uk/>



Eco Platinum + Award



Congratulations to our Eco Councillors who after their hard work have gained the Eco Platinum + Award for the 4th Year running. Da iawn , Pawb!



UNIVERSAL PRIMARY FREE SCHOOL MEALS

The policy is part of the Co-operation Agreement between the Welsh Government and Plaid Cymru, which will see free school meals extended to all primary school learners over the next two years.

The rollout of Universal Primary Free School Meals will begin with Reception in September 2022, and extended to Years 1 and 2 this week. The aim is for all primary school children to receive a free lunch in schools within two years.

What does this mean ?

If your child is in reception, year 1 & 2 they will be able to have a free school meal everyday. Parents can pre-order their child's school lunch using the School Gateway App (download for free from your App Store).

As some of you may be aware there have been some teething problems, but this is being looked at and anyone who has been charged for a meal incorrectly on Monday 17-04-23 should receive a refund this week. This has been a fault through Newydd and Cypad and Mrs Clarke has been liaising with both to get this resolved.

If your child is in the Juniors, they may still be eligible to receive Free School Meals and funding for school essentials. It is very important to your child's school that you apply. The school can access additional funding for children who qualify for existing Free School Meals (eFSM) that will allow them to provide targeted support programmes, buy equipment and provide extra resources.

Tuesday 23rd May 2023, 9:15-11:00am

Foundation Phase Sports Day

Parents are welcome to come and watch.

**SPORTS
DAYS**

Wednesday 24th May 2023, 9:15-11:00am

Juniors Sports Day

Parents are welcome to come and watch.



START



Dates for your Diary

APRIL

Mon 17th ~ School opens after Easter break
Mon 17th to Wed 19th ~ Year 5 Nant BH Residential Trip
Fri 21st ~ Year 6 start Swimming Lessons
Wed 26th ~ Whole School individual / sibling Photos
Thurs 27th ~ Book Fair Starts
Fri 28th ~ Staff Training Day - School closed to pupils

STAFF TRAINING DAYS
School closed to Pupils

28th APRIL 2023

Mon 1st ~ May Day Bank Holiday - School closed to all
Wed 3rd ~ Book Fair Ends
Fri 5th ~ Coronation Celebrations
Mon 8th ~ Bank Holiday for King Charles III Coronation - School closed to all
Thurs 11th ~ Dosbarth Cherry Class Assembly - 10am Parents/Grandparents welcome
Fri 19th ~ First Confession at Blessed Sacrament Catholic Church, Connah's Quay
Tues 23rd ~ Infants Sports Day (Nursery to YR2)- 9:15-11am Parents welcome to watch
Wed 24th ~ Juniors Sports Day (YR3 to YR6)- 9:15-11am Parents welcome to watch
Thurs 25th ~ Dosbarth Ash Class Assembly - 10am Parents/Grandparents welcome
Fri 26th ~ School closes for May Half Term Holiday

MAY

Mon 5th ~ School reopens after May Half Term Holiday

PLEASE NOTE This is NO longer a Staff Training Day - ALL Pupils to be in School

Fri 9th ~ Year 5 start Swimming Lessons

Fri 16th ~ Own Clothes Day for Bottles or £1.00

Fri 16th ~ Year 6 Leavers Mass, 11am at Wrexham Cathedral

Mon 19th ~ Full Governors Summer Meeting - 6pm

Tue 20th ~ Year 3/4 AmaSing Connect 2023 Concert, at William Aston Hall

Fri 23rd ~ Own Clothes Day for Toiletries or £1.00

Sun 25th ~ First Holy Communion at The Blessed Sacrament Catholic Church, Connah's Quay

Wed 28th & Thurs 29th ~ Transition Days for Year 6 Pupils going to St Richard Gwyn High School in September 2023

Fri 30th ~ Own Clothes Day for Chocolate or £1.00

JUNE

Mon 3rd ~ Transition Week for Year 2 Pupils

Wed 5th ~ Own Clothes Day for Cakes or £1.00

Wed 5th ~ Friends of the School SUMMER FAIR - 3-5pm

Fri 7th ~ End of Year Reports go Home

Mon 10th ~ New Classes are sent out to Parents (please check school has an up to date mobile/e-mail for you)

Wed 12th ~ Moving Up Day & Meet the Teacher Night - 3:30pm to 4:30pm

Thurs 13th ~ Year 6 Celebration

Wed 19th ~ Leavers Assembly - 10am Parents/Grandparents welcome

Thurs 20th ~ School closes for Summer Holiday

JULY

HELLO
Summer

IT'S
SUMMER
TIME

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