

# Llanfair Primary School

## December 2022 Newsletter



### Dates for the Diary

Thursday 1st Dec	PTA craft day
Saturday 3rd Dec	Bath Christmas Market PTA event
W/C 5th Dec	End of extra curricular clubs
Wednesday 7th Dec	Christmas Carols Extravaganza at 4.30pm
Thurs 8th Dec	Christmas jumper day (pupils can wear Christmas jumpers to school for the remainder of the term)
Friday 9th Dec	Christmas dinner
Monday 12th Dec	KS2 (Y3—Y6) Christmas concert at 2pm
Tuesday 13th Dec	KS2 (Y3-Y6) Christmas concert at 2pm
Wednesday 14th Dec	Nursery Christmas concert at 11am
Wednesday 14th Dec	FP (Reception to Y2) Christmas concert at 2pm
Thursday 15th Dec	FP (Reception to Y2) Christmas concert at 2pm
Friday 16th Dec	PTA Christmas Fayre
Wednesday 21st Dec	Reception, Year 1, Year 2 trip to Sherman Theatre (Goldilocks)
Thursday 22nd Dec	Christmas parties
Friday 23rd Dec	Closure day for nursery
Friday 23rd Dec	End of Autumn term
Monday 9th Jan	Pupils return to school
Friday 20th Jan	Cricket Wales (Y2,Y3,Y4,Y5,Y6)

\* anything amended/extra that has been added to the original dates for the diary which was sent at the start of term

### Illness

We are experiencing an increasing number of children who are feeling unwell at the moment. Please help us to ensure that we reduce the risk of widespread illness amongst the children by promoting good hygiene. The school adopts a strict 48 hour policy from the last period of sickness and diarrhoea. Please refrain from sending pupils into school for this period. This is to protect our school community and is in line with Public Health Wales policy and procedure.

### Breakfast provision for Spring term

The google form to book your children's places for breakfast provision for the Spring term is now live.

The link will close on Friday 16th December 2022 at 3.30pm

Breakfast club will open at **8.00am** and the gates for entry to breakfast provision will close promptly at **8.20am**

**The link for the Google form is: <https://forms.gle/o5n6QUXyG2k1T9WD9>**

### Homeless Charity

Thank you for the kind donations of toiletries, hat/scarf/gloves and sweets/chocolates that we have received for the homeless so far. Please can any further donations be in school by Wednesday 14<sup>th</sup> December, so they can be taken to Cardiff YMCA that afternoon.

Your donations really will be gratefully received this Christmas.



## **Christmas information**

### **Christmas Craft Day**

On Thursday 1st December the PTA will be coming into school to lead a craft session with each class. The crafts that the pupils make will be sold at the Christmas fayre. As paint, glitter and glue will be used on this date please could you make sure that you provide an old Tshirt, shirt or apron for your child.

Mrs Mayes class will also be taking part in an art workshop throughout the day. Please could the pupils in Mrs Mayes class come to school dressed in old clothes.

### **Christmas Jumpers**

The official Christmas jumper day is Thursday 8th December. We ask for a donation of £1 on this day to donate to the charity 'Save the Children'. Children can wear their Christmas jumpers/clothing for the remainder of the term from this date. Apologies this was noted as Friday 9th December on previous newsletters. We ask that pupils do not come into school in fancy dress outfits.

### **Christmas Lunch**

Christmas Lunch will be served on Friday 9th December. There is a vegetarian alternative which is a Quorn fillet. We encourage all children to have a dinner on this day. The cost of the meal is £2.45 which needs to be paid via your ParentPay account. On Thursday 8th December salmon bites will be on the menu. We hope that this will be changed for the home selection option.

### **Christmas week**

The week commencing the 19th December will be dedicated to Christmas activities in every class. During this week children will view a Christmas movie with their class, have a Christmas party with their phase and carry out a range of Christmas themed activities.

There will also be an immersion day held where pupils will have an insight into their next expedition of learning for the Spring term. This is invaluable as pupils will have the opportunity to feed into what they would like to learn about.

### **Christmas Parties—Glitz and Glamour**

On Thursday 22nd December pupils can come to school dressed in their party outfits. Nursery, KS2 and Foundation Phase will be holding parties throughout the day which will include a variety of party games and competitions.

### **Christmas concert recordings.**

We are exploring the option of recording the dress rehearsal for those parents who are unable to attend the concerts and also for grandparents and other family members to view. If successful, we will upload the recording to your children's Hwb accounts. We will keep you informed.

### School Dinner selection on ParentPay

Thank you to the parents who are using ParentPay regularly to order school dinners via home selection. This saves valuable learning time in classes. We have had a few teething issues which have been brought to our attention. Most of these issues are to do with on the day selection and not being able to select options. The company has informed us that the platform does not allow home selection past 8am on a given day. Please make sure that you order before 8am. We hope that this rectifies the issues being experienced.



### Charity support

This term we have supported the Royal British Legion with the sale of merchandise. As the money was collected in a sealed container, we do not know the exact total however, we managed to sell nearly all of the merchandise.

We have also supported Children in Need raising £246.50 to support the fantastic work that they do to support children less fortunate.

Thank you very much for supporting our charity work.



### Extra curricular clubs for Spring term

Extra curricular clubs will start the week beginning Monday 16th January and will finish the week commencing Monday 20th March. All of the clubs are on a first come first served basis and there is a maximum and minimum capacity for each club to run. Please see further information on the Google Form which will be sent out on Friday 9th December to reserve spaces. If there are any issues with the booking system please contact the school.

Monday Football (Years 3– 6) Mr Jones / Mr Lewis (Max 30 pupils) 3.30pm—4.15pm

(dependant on numbers we may need to split this Y3/4 first half term and Y5/6 second half term)

Monday Book club (Years 5/6) Miss Jones (Existing members) Lunchtime

Tuesday Netball (Years 3-6) Mrs Norris (Max 30 pupils) 3.30pm—4.15pm

Thursday Minecraft (Year 2) Mr Lewis and Y6 pupils (lunchtime)

Thursday Board Games / games (Rec/ Y1/ Y2) Mrs Mayes / Mrs Kumar (max 30 pupils) 3.15pm—4.00pm

Friday Criw Cymraeg (Years 3–6) Mrs Gaisford (Lunchtime)



### Eligibility for free school meals/pupil development grant

If you believe that you are eligible for free school meals please click the link below. Even if your child/children are in Reception to Year 2 and currently receive free school meals as part of the Welsh Government free school meals plan there are other benefits available which could support your child in school.

To find out more information about the spending plan of the pupil development grant please visit the school website under the tab—school policies

<https://gov.wales/get-help-school-costs>

## Christmas Carols Extravaganza

On Wednesday 7th December we will be holding a Christmas carols extravaganza for parents and the community where the choir, Year2 and musical soloists and duets will perform a selection of festive tunes. The event will take place at 4.30pm and should last about 30-45 minutes. There will be mince pies and mulled wine available which will be hosted by the PTA. Pupils can stay in school until the concert. It would be lovely to see as many parents as possible attending the event.

If your child is involved in the event please could they wear something 'Christmassy' for the show. This could be an outfit, dress, jumper or accessories. Please could these be brought into school on the day. The pupils will have time to change into these at the end of the school day.

## Christmas Fayre



If you are attending the fayre with your children you are welcome to collect older siblings in the school at the same time as the youngest sibling.

If you are unable to accompany your children at the times above, pupils will have the opportunity to visit the stalls with their class teacher. Pupils can bring in pocket money to spend at the stalls. We ask that money is clearly labelled with the pupils name in an envelope/purse.

You are welcome to take your children home after you have visited the stalls.

For those pupils who do not have an accompanying adult, pupils will need to be collected at the end of the day at the normal time.

Please be considerate to others in the car park and where possible please car share as we have a limited capacity.

\*\*A Google form will be sent home with consent for face painting if you are unable to attend.

## Rolling raffle

The PTA will be running a rolling raffle during our Christmas events including: Christmas Carols Extravaganza, Christmas concerts and the Christmas Fayre.

The raffle will be drawn during the Christmas Fayre and the winners will be notified.

### Christmas Tree

We would like to extend our thanks to Mr Chris Pope for his very kind donation of a Christmas tree for the school.



### Healthy Snacks

At Llanfair we actively encourage healthy eating and promoting a healthy lifestyle. Snacks provided for pupils at break time should consist of a healthy option ideally a piece of fruit or vegetable. Crisps and snacks high in sugar will be discouraged.



### Twitter

Please join our schools Twitter feed if you have not already done so. We can only post pictures of pupils who have given consent. If you wish to change your consent to allow your children to be photographed please contact the office.

The Twitter handle for the school is **@LlanfairPrimary**



### Nut allergy

A reminder to parents that we have a child in the school who has a severe nut and seed allergy. It is important that there is strict avoidance to this food in order to prevent a life-threatening allergic reaction. We are asking for your help to provide the pupils with a safe school environment. To reduce the chance of this occurring, we are asking that you do not send any peanut or nut based products to school with your child or any nuts and seeded bread.

If your child has eaten peanuts/nuts before coming to school, please be sure your child's hands and face have been thoroughly washed before entering the school.

We appreciate your support.



### Complaints

Should you wish to make a formal complaint (we hope that you wouldn't need to and we will always endeavour to sort out a complaint at school level in the first instance) you will find a copy of the schools complaints policy on the school website.

