



Together we learn, together we grow.

Friday 5th June 2026

Dear Parents/Carers,

Annwyl Rhieni,

Welcome back! I hope everyone had a lovely half term break and enjoyed the wonderful weather.

Local Community Update:

You may be aware of a serious incident that took place on Green Lane this week. We recognise that some children may have heard about this and may have questions or worries. Please be assured that the school remains a safe environment, and we are in contact with the relevant authorities. There is no ongoing risk to our school community. Our staff are available to support any pupils, and we will continue to prioritise the wellbeing of all children. If you have any concerns, please do not hesitate to contact the school.

Sports Day:

Unfortunately, following a risk assessment, we had to cancel Sports Day yesterday. This has now been arranged for **Wednesday 1st July**, weather permitting.

We look forward to welcoming everyone on this day for our Sports Day events.

9.00am Nursery / Reception

10.30am Year 1 / Year 2

1.05pm to 2.00pm Year 3 / Year 4

2.05pm to 3.00pm Year 5 / Year 6

All plazas are family events, please wear your trainers or flat shoes.

All children will need to be in their Sportswear and will need a water bottle and sun hat, should the weather be hot. Please apply any sunscreen to your child before school starts.

Carpark:

We kindly ask for the support of all parents/carers in helping us keep our school environment safe and respectful at the end of the day. We have noticed that a small number of children and adults are remaining on site after collection time, gathering near the front of the school and around the staff car park. This has led to some unsafe behaviour, including cycling and scooting close to the parked cars, as well as excessive noise such as shouting and the use of bike horns. For everyone's safety, wellbeing, and to respect the community, we ask that children are supervised closely and leave the school grounds promptly after pick-up. We greatly appreciate your understanding and cooperation in helping us maintain a calm and safe environment for all members of our school community.

Gift Sale:

I would like to say a huge thank you to the PTFA for all their hard work organising the Gift Sale this week, it is much appreciated. Also, a big thank you to all our families for continuing to support these events.

Reception 2026 families:

Please see attached poster regarding a workshop we are holding at school on 30th June at 9am. This is relevant for families with children starting in Reception in September 2026. Please let the school office know if you would like to attend.

The poster is titled 'The Incredible Years Getting Ready for School' and is designed with colorful, child-friendly graphics. It features a central text area with a list of topics: 'Managing emotions', 'Language and social skills', 'Word skills', and 'Interactive reading'. To the right, it specifies a '2 hour workshop'. Below the main text, it lists practical skills covered: 'toileting, eating with a knife and fork and much more!'. The workshop details are: 'School/Setting: Dewstow', 'Date: 30th June 2026', and 'Time: 9 am'. It also includes contact information for booking: 'Please contact your school to book a place' and 'For any general information about the workshops, contact: Monmouthshire Acorn Project Email: parenting@monmouthshire.gov.uk'. Logos for 'Hywelodorth Cyntu' (Welsh Government) and 'monmouthshire sir fynyw' are present. Images of a child with a backpack and a child with a book are also included.

The Incredible Years

Getting Ready for School

Getting Ready for School is a free workshop to help you to support your child's transition to school

2 hour workshop

Managing emotions
Language and social skills
Word skills
Interactive reading

The workshop will also cover practical skills such as toileting, eating with a knife and fork and much more!

This workshop will be taking place:

School/Setting: Dewstow
Date: 30th June 2026 Time: 9 am

Please contact your school to book a place

For any general information about the workshops, contact: Monmouthshire Acorn Project Email: parenting@monmouthshire.gov.uk

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Monmouthshire Active Travel Survey:



Have your say: Let's Talk about walking, wheeling and cycling in Monmouthshire!

Support Healthy Screen Time

13 August 2026 | 10:00am

Charlie Cowtan – Clinical Psychologist (Child & Family Community Psychology)

Register here: <https://events.teams.microsoft.com/event/8c6c5715-2560-405f-b0bd-de9c97c92bc3@bb5628b8-e328-4082-a856-433c9edc8fae>³

This session will focus on supporting families to develop healthy screen use habits and understanding the impact of screen time on children's development.

Virtual Swap Shop:

You are invited to join our free virtual swap shop:



FREE SCHOOL CLOTHES.com

Join our growing community. Easy to adopt with significant benefits for schools and families:

FreeSchoolClothes.com is a free, not-for-profit "virtual swap shop" helping families share and reuse school clothes and other essentials locally within your school community, for free.

- Help families to save money.
- Protecting our planet by reducing waste.
- Strengthening our communities.

Founded in 2022 at Ysgol Treganna, Cardiff. Now covering all UK schools.

It's easy to get started. Simply share this message and QR code with your families.

Please visit [FreeSchoolClothes.com](https://www.freeschoolclothes.com) to join our new virtual swap shop.

Offer outgrown school clothes to other families in our school community. Browse and request things that you need, for free. Save money and protect the planet.



For support or to volunteer as a school champion please contact: support@freeschoolclothes.com

³[https://eur02.safelinks.protection.outlook.com/?url=https%3A%2F%2Fevents.teams.microsoft.com%2Fevent%2F8c6c5715-2560-405f-b0bd-de9c97c92bc3%40bb5628b8-e328-4082-a856-433c9edc8fae&data=05|02|WatkinsK155%40monmouthshireschools.wales|c170f36219f84ad6a2a808dec0934d5a|4f3f0e52b734416494091b601d147993|0|0|639159936056486922|Unknown|TWfPbGZsb3d8eyJFbXB0eU1hcGkiOnRydWUsIlYiOilwLjAuMDAwMCIslAiOijXaW4zMilslkFOIjoiTWfPbClslldUljoyvQ%3D%3D|0||&sdas=sZnnM%2F7WlCoZ0ZmgigAuwZnhUvL0Zy1n78M3VfKBe8k%3D&reserved=0](https://eur02.safelinks.protection.outlook.com/?url=https%3A%2F%2Fevents.teams.microsoft.com%2Fevent%2F8c6c5715-2560-405f-b0bd-de9c97c92bc3%40bb5628b8-e328-4082-a856-433c9edc8fae&data=05%20|02|WatkinsK155%40monmouthshireschools.wales|c170f36219f84ad6a2a808dec0934d5a|4f3f0e52b734416494091b601d147993|0|0|639159936056486922|Unknown|TWfPbGZsb3d8eyJFbXB0eU1hcGkiOnRydWUsIlYiOilwLjAuMDAwMCIslAiOijXaW4zMilslkFOIjoiTWfPbClslldUljoyvQ%3D%3D|0||&sdas=sZnnM%2F7WlCoZ0ZmgigAuwZnhUvL0Zy1n78M3VfKBe8k%3D&reserved=0)

Caldicot Community Hub Poetry Competition:



Buzz & Bloom Caldicot is a new initiative to transform the flower beds and planters around Caldicot Library.

It's going to be blooming lovely!

PRIMARY, SECONDARY AND ADULT CATEGORIES

Theme: Flowers, bees, nature

Deadline: 27th June 2026

Prize: The winning entrants will receive a £10 book token and the winning entries will be featured in the library's new Poetry Patch

Please see Terms and conditions overleaf

For more information, please contact CaldicotHub@monmouthshire.gov.uk



POETRY COMPETITION RULES

The deadline for entries is 27th June 2026. Entries received after the deadline will not be considered.

Please put just your name on your entry, complete the separate contact form and attach it to your entry. Submit by handing it to a member of staff at Caldicot Library or emailing it to CaldicotHub@monmouthshire.gov.uk

The poem must be the entrant's own work.

The poem should not have been previously published, self-published or featured in any blog, website or social media

The use of AI to generate content or edit the entry is not permitted

The decision of the judges is final



Awards:

Well done to all the children who have received awards this week. Bendigedig pawb!

Year Group	Seren yr wythnos	Behaviour of the Week Hot Chocolate Friday!	Attendance Cup
Nursery	Reka and Theo		86.8%
Reception	Cariad	Rory	94.6%
Year 1	Archie	Ryan	97.3% ★
Year 2	Lowen	Luna	90.9%
Year 3	Bella	Alyssa	89.2%
Year 4	Darcy R	Poppy	85.7%
Year 5	Kingsley	Maksym	92.3%
Year 6	Connie	Ariana	93.9%

Dates for your diary:

June		
05/06/2026		Year 3 Swimming
08/06/2026	1.5 days	Gilwern Year 5 Pupils
09/06/2026	3.5 days	Gilwern Year 6 Pupils
10/06/2026		Year 4 Library visit
12/06/2026		Year 3 Swimming
12/06/2026		Football Round Robins - Round 2
15/06/2026		Year 5 Digital Forensics Project at Ebbw Vale
16/06/2026		Football Round Robins - Finals
17/06/2026		First Aid Course - Nursery (AM) and Year 2-4
18/06/2026		Warburtons in school
19/06/2026	PM	Year 3 Swimming
22/06/2026	5pm - 7pm	Wydean Secondary School Information Evening Y6 pupils
22/06/2026		Sudbrook Cricket - taster sessions (Year 3-6)
23/06/2026		New Reception families welcome meeting
24/06/2026		Cluster STEM Showcase
24/06/2026	8.30am-3.00pm	Wydean Transition Day
25/06/2026		New Nursery families welcome meeting
26/06/2026		Year 5 Cluster Event Maths and STEM Fayre
26/06/2026	PM	Year 3 Swimming
29/06/2026		Year 5 Digital Forensics Project at Treforest
30/06/2026	AM	Moving Up Day Nursery to Year 5
July		
01/07/2026	AM	Pastor Jon Linforth PSE Transition Workshop
01/07/2026		Sports Day
02/07/2026		PTFA Summer Disco
03/07/2026		Year 3 Swimming
06/07/2026	All day	Year 6 Moving Up Day to Caldicot School
07/07/2026		End of Year School Reports to Parents/Carers
08/07/2026		Year 3 Library visit
09/07/2026		Reception Cluster Event to Caldicot Castle
10/07/2026		Year 3 Swimming
14/07/2026		Year 4 Olympics at Caldicot School
16/07/2026	2.00pm	Year 6 Leavers Assembly
16/07/2026		Last day of Term Pupils Break Up from School
17/07/2026		INSET DAY - School Closed to all pupils
20/07/2026		INSET DAY - School Closed to all pupils

Should you have any concerns, please do not hesitate to telephone school on 01291 636360, or email the school Dew.Primary@monmouthshireschools.wales⁴

Yours sincerely

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