



# NEWSLETTER

Selattyn C. E. Primary School

8<sup>th</sup> November 2024

This terms Collective Worship theme is: **COMPASSION**

**Small School, Big Heart**



## Thanks from Oswestry & Borders Food Bank

Dear Selattyn Primary,

A huge thank you to all staff, students and parents for your generous Harvest donation to Oswestry and Borders Foodbank.

Together you gave 57kg of food- contributing to an overall total of just over 3 tonnes of essential food and toiletries from 40 donors! This will go a long way to supporting local people facing hardship this Winter.

Warm Regards, The Foodbank Team, Oswestry and Borders Foodbank

## Trees

Our thanks go to Hamner Morris, a local charity who own most of the school fields for the work completed over the holiday to clear trees on site affected by Ash Dieback tree disease. Please see this message from them:

Ash Dieback which is a danger UK wide, has affected many Ash trees within the school grounds. Hamner Morris have therefore removed all such dangerous trees and branches around the grounds. Including by the steps and greenhouse. As a result the Forest School area is restored including some new log stools ! One highlight for spectators was the most difficult tree to remove, situated between the demountables and the old School House garden. This was felled in stages by Harvey Morris, who left the school as a pupil about 8 years ago. It was so impressive to see his skills with dismantling the tree from top to bottom and ensuring no damage to the buildings. All left neat and tidy. Good to see a local man in a local job. And enjoying it!

## Tempest Photos

Tempest photographers will be taking photos of pupils on Monday morning (11th November). All pupils will be photographed individually and in sibling groups unless school are advised otherwise by the end of Friday.

## After-school Clubs

Thank you for those who have signed up for clubs this half term. You are still able to book on if you wish. To make any changes, please contact the office. We currently have low numbers in the **Choir club** on Wednesdays. If you would like your child to join please sign up on ParentPay. Art Club is now full.

## Children in Need – 15<sup>th</sup> November

Mr Smaje has met with the School Council to arrange plans for Children in Need (Friday 15th November). Please can children (from Classes 1, 2 and 4) come into school in non-school uniform. This years theme is Spots or Bright Colours if you wish! Please ensure clothing is suitable for school and children can get themselves changed into their P.E. kit . Suggested donation of £1 per child. School Council would also like to run an additional event after school on Friday to raise additional funds. We will confirm the plan early next week and I will inform you via ClassDojo.

## Class 3 Roman museum trip – 15<sup>th</sup> November

Children from Class 3 will be visiting the Chester Deva Roman Museum next Friday (15<sup>th</sup>). [Full details in this letter.](#) Class 3 children should wear normal school uniform as they will be out of school on a trip.

## Bryntysilio

We are pleased to confirm that we have got enough children who have signed up for the residential trip this year, so it will be going ahead. You can make any further payments towards the trip as and when you wish, up to the deadline of 21<sup>st</sup> March.

## Flu Immunisations

Nasal Flu Immunisations took place today. All children who had the vaccine have been sent home with an information leaflet. There are community clinics available if you would still like your child to have the vaccine. You can contact the team on [shropcom.immunisationteam@nhs.net](mailto:shropcom.immunisationteam@nhs.net) or phone 01743 730028

## Diary Dates

### Next week

**Mon** PE – Class 3 & 4  
3:30 – 4:30 After-school clubs

**Tue** PE – Class 3 & 4  
3:30 – 4:30 After-school clubs

**Wed** 3:30 – 4:30 Clubs

**Thur** PE – Class 2 & 3  
Ukelele lessons – Class 2 & 3  
3:30 – 4:30 After-school clubs

**Fri** **Class 4 – Roman Trip**  
**Children in Need – Non Uniform**  
9am – 10:25 Little Badgers -  
- toddler & parent / carer group  
PE – Class 2 & 3  
3:30 – 4:30 After-school clubs

### Future Dates

12<sup>th</sup> Dec Panto @ Theatre Severn  
16<sup>th</sup>, 17<sup>th</sup> Dec Christmas Concert 2pm  
20<sup>th</sup> Dec Last Day of Term

## Visitors to School this week

Jordan Graham – Marches Sports  
Patrick Gough – Piano lessons  
Leila Hodgson – Art Club  
Jayne Evans – Positive Leap  
Steve Crompton, Governors  
Mandy Jones & Ami Dooley – Marches Trust

## Eco Class of the Week - Class 1

## Stars of the Week

**Class 1 – Sophie**

**Class 2 – Lyla**

**Class 3 – Sybil**

**Class 4 – Whole Class**

### Autumn Fair in Church

Saturday 16 Nov 10am - 12 noon  
Gifts ~ crafts ~ produce ~ refreshments

### Cafe in Church

Wed 13 Nov 2:30-4:30pm  
Pop in for cakes, drinks & chat  
Toys for little ones. No charge All  
welcome.

#### Highest Attendance:

Whole School: 96.88

Class 1: 98.95%

Class 2: 97.60%

Class 3: 94.67%

Class 4: 95.56%

## CLASS NEWS

### Class 1

It was lovely to welcome everyone back after the half-term break, ready to start our new topic 'Light And Dark'! We started the week by catching up with our talking partners and writing our half-term news. On Monday afternoon, the children learned all about 'Divali- The Festival of Lights', in R.E, and enjoyed the Story of Rama and Sita. On Tuesday, the children learned all about 'Bonfire Night', and created both 2D scenes, and 3D fireworks. Year 1 also sequenced pictures from 'The Gunpowder Plot'. On Thursday, we began our topic of 'Everyday Materials' in Science, identifying different materials and sorting them into groups. On Friday, we looked at an aerial photograph of Selattyn on Google Maps, and labelled different features found in the village, on a map. Finally, thank you to everyone who brought in clothes for outdoor learning this week! We had our messy/exploration session close to our classroom area on Wednesday, but we are hoping to utilise our lovely 'Forest School' area next week, weather permitting! Have a great weekend everyone!

### Class 2

This week we have started work on our new book, 'Jemima Puddle-Duck'. It is a lovely story by Beatrix Potter and we are really enjoying it. In our Maths work we are looking at Fractions, focussing on finding halves and quarters of shapes and numbers. Our Geography topic this half-term is about hot and cold climates. This week we looked at the World's continents and identified them on a map. In French we were using a variety of greetings. Our Computing work is about programming and we started using instructions to control a 'robot'. We have a new set of spellings to learn for next week and we will be continuing with our times tables work, with a test every Friday.

### Class 3

It was great to see everyone back in school after our half term break. The children were keen to start their learning again and soon got to grips with our new maths topic looking at two dimensional shape and symmetry. Everyone has enthusiastically worked on a range of activities and have learnt a number of new terms to describe shape and their properties. In English we have been looking at tricky spellings and developing strategies for self checking our work carefully. We are looking forward to starting our work on poetry in the coming days. Next Friday we are heading to Chester for our Roman trip which should be a great day out. Have a lovely weekend everybody.

### Class 4

A very busy week this week. I have had various meetings/courses this week so I have been really impressed to hear how well the class have got on in my absence. In maths, we have been busy looking at fractions, completing numerous activities such as ordering fractions, comparing fractions, looking at equivalent fractions and recognising mixed numbers and improper fractions. We have also written a recount in English, based on our adventures during half term. We have also done lots of work linked to Remembrance Day. This week, homework will be placed on Dojo to access along with spellings. Have a lovely weekend.

