

## St Andrew's Major Church in Wales Primary School

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Dear Parents,

Friday 7<sup>th</sup> October 2022

### Harvest Festival

We held a wonderful harvest celebration in school on Monday and were really pleased to welcome Father Andrew to join us. Nursery and Reception created special harvest decorations and the other classes did a variety of presentations including songs, poems, prayers and talks on food around the world and the work of the foodbank. Thank you to everyone for your generous contributions which will all be passed on to Vale Foodbank next week



### PTA

A huge thank you from me to all those who came along last Saturday to support the PTA planting day. As well as completing the job of filling our fantastic new planters, there were a range of other nature based activities taking place which I know were enjoyed by all. A big thank you to the PTA, pupils, staff, 'Wild about Nature', and the lady who led the hedgehog sessions.

There are still some food bags available as part of the Food Hub project. They are in the foyer so please do come and get one - it doesn't matter if you have received one previously!

You will obviously see all the amazing work the PTA are doing but they are in need of support from a wider group of parents in order to continue to raise much needed funds for the school. The AGM will be held in school on Monday 17<sup>th</sup> October at 6pm in the school hall so please do come along.



### Church Visits (Repeated)

In previous years, we have invited children to take part in the service at St Peter's Church at 10:30 on Sundays. The children's teacher will prepare with the children in school and then we ask parents to bring the children to church on the day. Throughout the year, different classes will have the opportunity to present to the congregation. The first ones to take place will be **Y4 on 23<sup>rd</sup> October** and **Y3 on 20<sup>th</sup> November** and I will keep you posted on the others later in the year.

## After School Clubs for the Autumn Term

As a school, we recognise the importance of extra curricular activities and I am extremely grateful to the staff who have offered to run after school clubs. With a relatively small staff, it can be difficult to offer clubs to all pupils but we will try and vary the year groups through the year. These clubs will be running for 7 weeks from **w/c 10<sup>th</sup> Oct until w/c 5<sup>th</sup> Dec (excluding parents' evening week)**. Well-being club will include activities such as yoga and mindfulness. If your child is doing an active club, they must bring in trainers and can also choose to change their clothes if they wish. All clubs will finish at **4.10pm** so please ensure that your child is picked up promptly. Any children in Deb's After School Club will be taken to the staff in The Stiwidio. In order for your child to attend a club, please complete the survey via the link below (please complete a separate survey for each child). It is essential that you complete the survey as this will create registers for the staff leading the clubs. The link will expire on Sunday at 5pm as we need to know numbers for Monday. Please do not phone/email about your child attending. Please note, bootcamp and craft have almost reached the maximum so it may be we need to rotate these clubs in some way but we will let you know on Monday.

<https://forms.office.com/r/muUm6c4S1v>

Monday	Netball Y3/4	Mrs Day
Tuesday	Well-being Y2/3	Miss Jewell
	Bootcamp Y4-6	Mrs Frangoulis & Mrs Fleet
	Hockey Y5/6	Mrs Bayliss & Mr Mason
Thursday	Craft Y1/2	Mrs Squire & Mrs McFarlane
	Y3/4 Football	Mr Trigg
	Y5/6 Rugby	Mr McNicol
	Y5/6 Digital Newsletter	Mrs Bounds & Mrs Hallett

### CONFIRMED DATES

**Mon 17<sup>th</sup> October** – PTA AGM – 6-7pm at the school.

**Sun 23<sup>rd</sup> October** – Y4 Contribution to St Peter's Service at 10:30

**w/c 24<sup>th</sup> October** – Parent-Teacher meetings

**Mon 24<sup>th</sup> October** – Y1 trip to St Fagans

**31<sup>st</sup> Oct – 4<sup>th</sup> November** – HALF TERM

**Sun 20<sup>th</sup> November** – Y3 Contribution to St Peter's Service at 10:30

**Tues 13<sup>th</sup> December** – Infant Nativity at 1:30pm

**Weds 14<sup>th</sup> December** – Infant Nativity at 9:30am

**Weds 14<sup>th</sup> December** – Junior Carol Service at 1:30pm (St Peter's)

**Weds 21<sup>st</sup> December** – Last Day of Term

Wishing everyone a lovely weekend.

Yours faithfully,



Gen Hallett  
Headteacher

Our value this half term is Thankfulness:

***Enter his gates with thanksgiving and his courts with praise; give thanks to him and praise his name. (Psalms 100:4)***



*The land has produced its harvest; God, our God, has blessed us. (Psalm 67 :6)*