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Dear Parents,

Friday 14<sup>th</sup> February 2020

### Weekly News

Year 2 and Year 3 enjoyed another cricket session earlier in the week and were very engaged and excited whilst they developed their ball and bat skills.

On internet safety day, all classes carried out activities around the topic of 'Together for a better internet'. If you would like to continue these discussions at home, there may be some useful information in the parent section on <https://www.saferinternet.org.uk/safer-internet-day/2020>

Year 3 led a very informative and entertaining Chinese New Year class worship on Wednesday.

They had clearly learned a lot about the culture, history and traditions of this festival and had also been involved in some fantastic art work. Thank you to all the family members who joined us and to Miss Frangoulis and the class for all their hard work.

Year 5 and 6 were involved in UNC Children's Rights workshops and there was lots of excellent discussion. It was great to see pupils from St Cyres and St Richard Gwyn leading these sessions.

### St David's Day / World Book Day (Repeated message)

For this year's home task competition, the children can create anything around the theme of Ble yng Nghymru? (Where in Wales?). This could be a poem, story, model, picture, collage – anything based on any place in Wales! All that we ask is that it is the children's own work and is no bigger than A4 (or a cereal/shoe box if it is a model). St David's Day falls on a Sunday this year so we will be celebrating it on Friday 28<sup>th</sup> February when the children can come dressed in traditional Welsh dress or Welsh sports kit.

World Book Day is on Thurs 5<sup>th</sup> March. We would love the children to dress up as a character from their favourite book. Parents of Year 4 pupils please note that the children will be going swimming that morning so you may want to consider this when deciding on a costume.

### Access to grants (Repeated message)

As I am sure you are aware, all schools receive extra funding for any pupils who are registered as being entitled to free school meals (even if they never actually have them). More importantly for families, this can also mean access to significant grants for things such as school uniform. If you are in receipt of benefits including housing then please do consider accessing this support. The children's names are never shared with anyone outside relevant school based staff. Governors, school advisors and inspectors are never given individual children's names. Mrs Green can advise and help with any forms etc. We understand how open the office area is but this would be handled discreetly and in strict confidence.

## Trainers

There are a number of children wearing trainers at the moment. I understand that in some cases, school shoes are broken, leaking or too small. However, I hope that with half term, families will have time to purchase new shoes. Please speak to us if you have any problems with this.

## Build a Bird Box - Sunday Feb 23rd 1.30-3.30pm (Message from Mrs May)

Join us at St Peter's Church Hall for some FREE Feathered Friends Fun - all welcome.

Assemble and decorate a bird box to take home (all materials/equipment supplied- while stocks last. Meet the RSPB for information and advice. Enjoy bird themed games and activities. Make fir cone feeders. Homemade cakes/ refreshments on sale. Entry is Free - Donations are welcome.

Please find us on Facebook or contact us at [wildaboutnatureinaspowys@gmail.com](mailto:wildaboutnatureinaspowys@gmail.com) for information on this and our other forthcoming events.

## w/c 24<sup>th</sup> February

Weds 26<sup>th</sup> – Parent Forums at 9am and 5.30pm

Fri 28<sup>th</sup> – St David's Day

Wishing everyone a lovely half term. See you all on Monday 24<sup>th</sup> February.

Yours faithfully,



Headteacher



***Be strong and courageous. Do not be afraid or terrified because of them, for the LORD your God goes with you; he will never leave you nor forsake you. (Deuteronomy 31:6)***