

Happy half term, everyone. My thanks go to you and to our staff and supporters of our school, from PTA to Governors, Grandparents to Bus drivers, and all those in between who work hard to make our children's daily experience a great one.

So long, farewell...

Mrs Prosser - Davies

Good bye and good luck to Mrs Prosser - Davies who will be spending her last day with her class today before she retires. Mrs Davies has been with us at Shirenewton for 10 years, and has been a wonderful advocate for children and a great support to all our staff. You will be missed, Mrs Davies - Pob lwc for your retirement!

Mrs Burgham

It is also time to say goodbye to Mrs Burgham, who is leaving school and teaching at the end of the Summer Term to spend more time with her family. Mrs Burgham has been at Shirenewton for 17 years and has been an outstanding asset to our school. She is a fantastic teacher who will be missed not just by us, but by the profession as a whole. Thank you, Mrs Burgham - good luck in your next chapter, we wish you all the very best!



School Fair



Our PTA school fair took place last Saturday. We would like to say thank you to all those of you who supported us, in a variety of different ways, we truly are grateful. Thanks also to the continued hard work of all in the PTA. Here's a note from them:

We just want to say a huge thank you to everyone that came to the Summer Fair on Saturday, it was wonderful to see so many people there supporting our school and enjoying the atmosphere. We hope that everyone enjoyed it as much as we did!

A big thank you to everyone that volunteered on the day and in the lead up including parents, staff and pupils we absolutely couldn't have done it without you. Thank you also for everyone's generous donations of toys, books and teddies and of course the amazing bottles for the bottle stall.

We'd also like to say thank you to Mr Penn, Miss Symonds and Miss Whelan for being such good sports and participating in the 'Soak a teacher' stall; the queue to throw sponges was huge and raised £60!

We hope everyone loved meeting the animals from The Mobile Farm, they attended the event free of charge for everyone's enjoyment and offered a real highlight for the children. Diolch yn fawr iawn.

We'd also like to extend a very big thank you to Tom Baxter and all the students from Chepstow Taekwon-do who provided an exceptional demo for us to enjoy and ran a game to help raise funds for the PTA. It was a really enjoyable and informative display.

Caroline Graham School of Dance students also provided a beautiful demo of ballet for us to enjoy; their commitment and enjoyment of dance really shone through. A very big thank you to Caroline for fitting us into a very busy weekend, which included exams for a number of Shirenewton Pupils!

Our final thank you is to all the incredible local businesses that contributed to our raffle prizes, we are very grateful for their support and we hope that you can extend your support to them. They included The WAVE, Una Vita, Megan Sian Photography, Emily Gill Perfect Dog Training, Chepstow Race Course, Toytastik, Chepstow Garden Centre and Chateau Bon Bon. We would like to say a special thank you to Ian Watts & Son Funeral Directors in Caldicot for their generous sponsorship of £50 towards prizes. Tesco in Chepstow kindly donated the scones and jam and Ocado provided us with a £50 voucher to help purchase some of the refreshments, many thanks to them for their support also. We are very delighted to tell you that the summer fair has raised a total for the school of £1900; with just some minor expense adjustments to follow.

Many, many thanks!

PTA Committee



Village Fair, Saturday 15th June

Now one fair has finished, the advertising of another can start! Well done to our competition winners:

Reception: Lewis; Sefi; Isla P

Year 1: Isla B; Bow; Alys

Year 2: Charlotte; Heti; Penelope

Year 3: Betsi R; Lara; Ffion P

Year 4: Coralie; Jack J; Morgan Q

Year 5: Angela; Jessica; Mila

Year 6: Tilly; Jack W; Max G

The posters chosen to advertise the Fete can be seen on the page below!

Please come along and support the village. There will be a Sports Themed Fancy Dress Parade, which will open the fete, starting at the grounds at 1:50 with prizes for the winners

A Carnival King and Queen will be crowned; they and their attendants will be treated to a 'tea' which they will tuck into as soon as the fete is open

Our pupils are once again helping to organise the recycling in association with Monmouthshire County Council and our Heddlu Bach (Little Police) will also be involved helping with the organisation of events on the day. It promises to be a great event!

Village Fête

at Shirenewton Rec
Saturday 15th June 2024

2 O'clock

Sports themed Fancy Dress Parade around the ring 1.50



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Sports Day

The weather hasn't been helpful this week, despite drying up today, the field wasn't in a good state at the end of the day yesterday. Thank you for your understanding. The back up days are detailed below

Thurs 6th June - Morning Y3-6 Reserve Sports Day (weather permitting)

Thurs 6th June - Afternoon Rec-Y2 Sports Day (weather permitting)

Welcome Back, Mr Lloyd!

It was lovely to welcome back Mr Lloyd after his two weeks paternity leave. He and his wife welcomed baby Rosie to the world in the early hours of the last bank holiday - Llongifarchiadau!



Meaningful Maths Parent Sessions - Google Form

Sessions begin for Year 2 and 3 after half term on Friday 7th June at 9:15 am

Autism Education Trust and Monmouthshire Local Authority - Primary School Survey

MCC continue to work with the Autism Education Trust to develop their Monmouthshire Autism in Schools and Settings project. They are keen to capture as much information as possible around the lived experiences of our children / young people and families, as their views and expertise are fundamental to the project. Please help by taking a few minutes to complete a survey.

[Take the survey here](#)

MMR Vaccines for Children

Following the recent outbreak of Measles in Gwent, the School Nursing Service are holding a number of MMR vaccine catch-up clinics for school aged children over half -term.

If your child has already received 2 doses of the MMR vaccine (at 1 year and 3.5 years) they are fully vaccinated, so no further action is required.

If you need to check your child's immunisation status, please call 0300 303 1373.

<https://abuhb.nhs.wales/vaccinations/vaccination-pop-up-clinics/> - Please follow this link for walk - in clinic information across Gwent.



Class Photos

The last day to order photo's for free delivery to school is Sunday. All codes have been sent via email.

Talents and Achievements



Well done to Monty and George who scooped player of the Season in their age groups at their football academy. Gwaith da, boys

Llongifarchiadau to our Newport District U11 Rugby representatives who travelled to Llandovery to play the annual Welsh School's Rugby Union Sevens Competition, winning the President's Cup for their efforts. Dal a ti!



This week we have...



Shirenewton Year 2 @Shire_Year2 · 15h

They love working on their spellings and always strive to do their best. Dal a ti pawb! 🙌 @shirenewtonsch @shi_lcaole

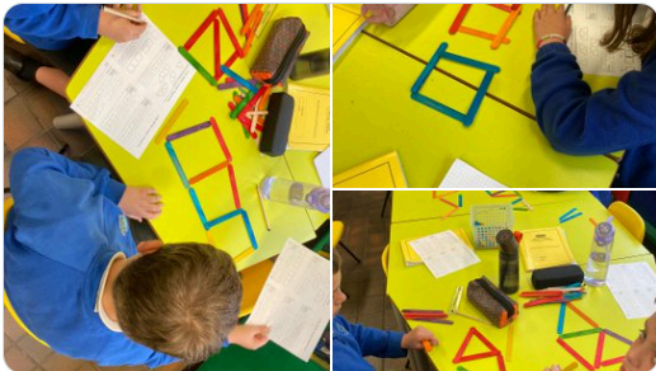


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Shirenewton Year 6 @shirenewton_6 · 13h

Diolch Mr Griffiths for the practical maths session on finding the nth term. @shirenewtonsch @shi_mathsaole



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Shirenewton Year 1 @Shire_Year1 · May 17

Year 1 have been looking at symmetry this week. We collected our own bits from forest school and used them to create symmetrical butterflies. @shi_mathsaole @shirenewtonsch

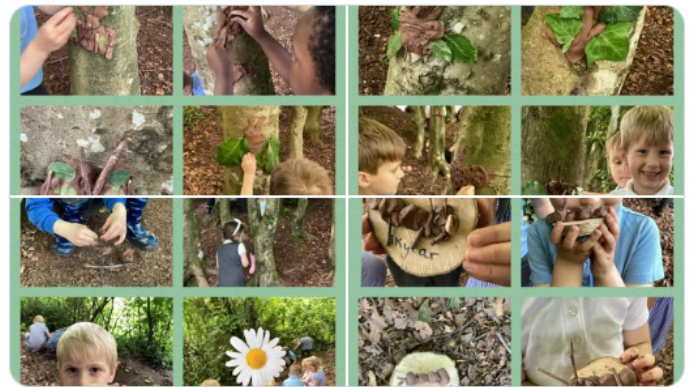


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Shirenewton Reception @Shire_Reception · May 21

Photos from Dydd Gwener y Goedwig. We made clay caterpillars and butterflies 🦋



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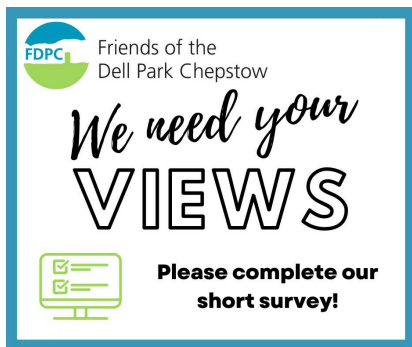
Diary Dates 2023/24

New information highlighted in yellow

Summer Term 2024 – Key Dates	
<p>Fri 24th May - INSET Day</p> <p>Mon 27th May - Fri 31st May - Half Term Holiday</p> <p>Thurs 6th June - Morning Y3-6 Reserve Sports Day (weather permitting)</p> <p>Thurs 6th June - Afternoon Rec-Y2 Sports Day (weather permitting)</p> <p>Fri 7th June - Maths parents session, 9:15am Year 2 (repeated weekly for 6 weeks)</p> <p>Fri 7th June - Maths parents session, 10:30am, Years 3, 4, 5 and 6 (repeated weekly for 6 weeks)</p> <p>Sat 8th June - Big Dig and Do Day Part 2</p> <p>Thurs 13th June - Y3-Y6 Tennis tournament</p>	<p>Thurs 20th June - School Disco</p> <p>Mon 24th June - Y6 Swimming Gala</p> <p>Mon 1st July - Wed 3rd July - Y6 Llangrannog</p> <p>Tues 9th July - Year 6 transition day (Chepstow School)</p> <p>Wed 10th July - Year 6 transition day (Chepstow School)</p> <p>Fri 12th July - Hog Roast</p> <p>Wed 17th July - Year 6 Leavers' Assembly 9:30</p> <p>Wed 17th July - Last day for pupils</p> <p>Thurs 18th July & Fri 19th July - INSET Days</p>

Autumn Term 2024 - Key Dates	
<p>Wed 4th Sept - First day back for pupils (Reception pupils have been provided with information regarding timings)</p> <p>Friday 27th Sept - Inset Day</p> <p>Monday 30th Sept - Inset Day</p>	

Community Corner_Lots of notices in our community corner this week - please take a look



The Dell Park, Chepstow

Friends of the Dell Park would like to hear your views! This research will help to inform our National Lottery application, to demonstrate how developing the Dell Park will benefit our community and those visiting Chepstow.

How you can help:

Complete our survey:

<https://bit.ly/4dmykPO> - Adults

<https://forms.gle/EzJtufUtJEs9swuE6> Primary children

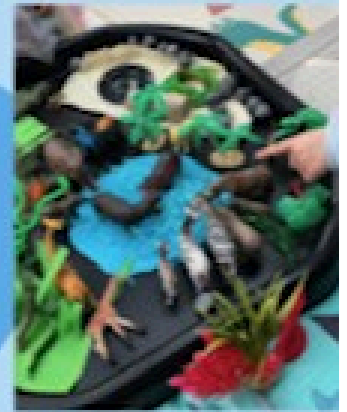
Your feedback is invaluable in helping us create a space that reflects our town's history, meets the community's needs, and is accessible to all. Thank you for your support

AGES
3-12

SHIRENEWTON SUMMER playscheme

8AM -
5:45
HALF DAYS
AVAILABLE

18TH JULY
23-25JULY
30-1STAUGUST



A FUN OPPORTUNITY FOR KIDS TO GET
OUT, BE CREATIVE AND PLAY!

SHIRENEWTON
SCHOOL

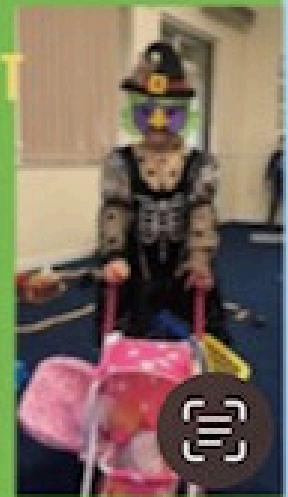
EMAIL / TEXT

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ACTIVITIES:

FOOTBALL ARTS AND CRAFT
WATER PLAY MUSIC / DANCE
CRICKET PLAY TRAYS
TAG RUGBY BAKING

and more!



CAERWENT JFC

U12's players wanted for 2024/25 season

We are looking for new players to join our friendly U12's squad and family club.

If you are looking for a new challenge, contact me via the number or email below, or come along to training on

Friday nights, 6-7pm — NP26 5BJ

*We'd love to see
you there!*



For more information please call or
message David:

07748 980513

Email: registrations@caerwentjfc.org



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FRIDAY 10 MAY

7.30PM

£5 PER PERSON ON THE DOOR

UNDER 16s FREE!

COMPERE—BETHAN MITCHELL

Refreshments including Bar

All proceeds to the ongoing work of the Friends of St Mary's Priory

An appeal from Chepstow and Caldicot Lions

Dear Community,




For over half a century, the Chepstow and Caldicot Lions have been dedicated to serving our local communities through impactful initiatives and volunteer efforts. Our club is now facing a **CRITICAL** challenge that threatens our very existence. After 53 years of unwavering commitment, our membership numbers have dwindled significantly. Without an influx of new members, we may be forced to make the heartbreaking decision to close the club.

😞😞 The potential loss of Chepstow and Caldicot Lions would be an enormous blow to the communities we've supported for decades through projects like tackling hunger by supporting the Food Banks, helping to support childhood cancer care with Noah's Retreat, supporting Tŷ Hafan and The Kids Cancer Charity,

supporting Care Leavers, Litterpicking, Treeplanting, providing Message-In-A-Bottle, provisioning over 30 emergency defibrillators in prominent positions in the community, recycling spectacles for third world, and much, much more. Our club has been a driving force for positive change, and its absence would create a void that would be deeply felt.

👉 We urgently need passionate individuals to join us and revitalise our pride. By becoming a Lion, you'll have the opportunity to make a tangible difference in the lives of those around you while being part of a global network of service-minded people. If you've been seeking a fulfilling way to give back, build meaningful connections, and contribute to the betterment of Chepstow, Caldicot, and surrounding areas,

this is your chance. We welcome people from all backgrounds and walks of life who share our values of compassion, community, and camaraderie.

 Please, we implore you to step forward and offer your support. Your involvement could be the lifeline our club desperately needs to continue its vital work for years to come. We meet once a month at the delightful Mounon Brook Lodge - Chepstow. To learn more about joining our pride, to explore volunteer opportunities, or just for a chat, please in the first instance reach out to us through Facebook Messenger. Together, we can ensure that the legacy of the Chepstow and Caldicot Lions endures, creating a brighter future for all.

https://www.facebook.com/ChepstowLions2016/?locale=en_GB

[@CaldicotLions](#)

#WeServe #kindnessMatters



Café Church

Sunday May 5th at 3:30 in the Church Room

And on the 1st Sunday of each month

Café Church is perfect for families!

Or indeed anyone who would like to try an informal style of worship.

Café style refreshments and fellowship for adults and children -

meet new friends and neighbours

Home made cakes!

Children's activities

Newspapers

Short service featuring:

- Modern worship songs
- Bible story
- All age address
- Prayers for the issues important to you

Come and give it a try!

Devauden Village Hall New Community Café Tuesdays 10am to 2pm



FREE for residents of Devauden and surrounding areas

- Tea/coffee/cake/biscuits
- Daily newspapers and magazines
- Children's board games and crafts
- Soup and roll (between 12pm-1pm)
- Good internet connection for work or leisure



