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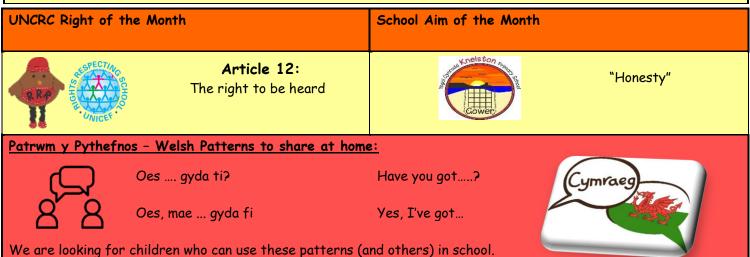
This week has absolutely flown by! We had a wonderful start on Monday when the whole school joined Reverend Peter at St George's Church in Reynoldston to celebrate the Harvest. The children enjoyed the service and got creative with some lovely harvest-themed crafts, making it a memorable day for everyone.

Year 6 had an especially exciting week, with a visit to Swansea Museum where they took part in engaging workshops. They followed this up with a fantastic production at Theatr na nOg called 'The Fight', which tells the story of Merthyr-born boxer William Cuthbert Taylor. The performance brought history to life and left a lasting impression on the children.

We also had the pleasure of being joined by Tonia Antoniazzi, the Welsh Labour MP for Gower, who visited this morning with her team to see our children in action during their Daily Mile. Tonia enthusiastically joined in, running alongside the children around our wonderful school grounds. She was impressed by their energy and the positive atmosphere throughout the school. Tonia thoroughly enjoyed her visit, and we are hopeful about exploring more opportunities to collaborate with her in the future.

We hope you all have a wonderful weekend, and we can't wait to see what next week brings!

JG Paynter



School grounds

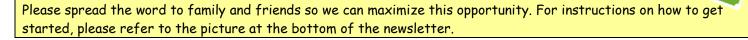


We're looking for volunteers to help tidy up our school grounds! With some areas in need of a refresh, we'd love a hand in maintaining our beautiful outdoor spaces. Jobs could include gardening, painting, trimming bushes, or general tidying. If you have some time, skills, or tools to offer, we'd be so grateful for your help. A warm welcome, along with plenty of tea, coffee, and treats, will be waiting for you! Please get in touch if you're

interested—your support would mean a lot as we work together to improve our school grounds. Thank you!

Friends of Knelston PTA

There are only 50 days left to support our school through ASDA's Cashpot for Schools initiative! Thank you to everyone who has contributed so far—we've raised £111.57! Your continued shopping and donations are greatly appreciated and will directly benefit our school.



Free School Meals

As mentioned last week, all our pupils at Knelston are fortunate to be offered free school meals. While families don't need to apply for the free meal offer, many may still qualify for additional support, such as help with school uniforms and discounts on trips. Applying for this support benefits both families and the school, as it increases our eligibility for additional funding—something we rely on to support our students.

We encourage you to check your eligibility by visiting Swansea Council's Free School Meals webpage: <u>https://www.swansea.gov.uk/freeschoolmeals</u>.

If you have any questions, feel free to reach out to us in confidence—we're here to help!

Thank you for your support.

After school clubs

We are excited to announce that starting next week, on 17th October, our football club will be open to Year 3/4 pupils as well as Year 5/6!

If you would like your child to attend, please complete the form available on Dojo or Squid. Thank you for your support, and we look forward to welcoming our younger players to the club!

Here's a reminder of the club schedule:

| Day | Club | Year groups & staff | Pick up point |
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| Monday | Construction | Y2 Y3 Y4 with Mrs Latham | Front Yard |
| Monday | Soft play | Rec Y1 with Mrs Furneaux & Mrs Harry | Main entrance |
| Monday | Netball | Y5 Y6 with Mrs Blakemore | Front Yard |
| Wednesday | Sports / games | Y3 Y4 Y5 Y6 with Mr Paynter | Front Yard |
| Thursday | Football | Y3 Y4 Y5 Y6 with Mr Donovan | Front Yard |

Clubs run from 3:30 to 4:30 pm, and we ask that children are collected promptly. Thank you to those donating £2 per session via Squid—your support helps keep the clubs running.

| The children's highlights of the week! Wythnos yma! | | | | | |
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| Mrs Osborn's class REC/Y1/Y2 ✓ Visited the church for harvest, ✓ Gingerbread story construction, ✓ 'We are all welcome' how to make people feel welcome, ✓ Adding ten, ✓ Autumn rainbow in welly Wednesday. | Mrs Porter's class Y3/4 ✓ Harvest at the church, ✓ Place value outside with nature objects, ✓ Discussed the qualities of what makes a good friend, ✓ Base ten in maths, ✓ Menter Abertawe PE activities. | Mr Donovan's class Y5/6 ✓ Adding and subtracting understanding in place value, ✓ Read more of our class novel, ✓ Considered the characters thoughts and feelings at particular parts of the story, ✓ Daily Mile with Tonia. | | | |

Finally...

As always, if you have queries, compliments, complaints, concerns or issues you would like to discuss please speak to a member of staff. If family or friends help with school runs, we'd love for you to share the weekly newsletter with them. Please also make sure we have your updated contact details so we can stay connected!

Thank you in anticipation of your continued support.

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| Dates for your Diary | | | | | |
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| Date | Activity | Additional Information | | | |
| 24.10.24 | PTA Halloween Disco | Open to all year groups - tickets purchased via squid | | | |
| 25.10.24 | Menter Abertawe | Welsh PE Activities | | | |
| 28.10.24 - 01.11.24 | HALF TERM | | | | |
| 20.11.24 | Flu Vaccinations | Reception to Year 6 | | | |
| 28.11.24 | PTA Christmas | Times TBC | | | |
| 12.12.24 | Christmas Concert | Year groups TBC | | | |
| 19.12.24 | PTA Christmas Disco | Tickets to be released later in the year | | | |
| INSET DAYS: Monday 6 th January 2024 | | | | | |
| (Other dates to be confirmed) | | | | | |
| WEEKLY EVENTS: Basil the Burns reading dog. | | | | | |
| Mr Smith - Music | | | | | |

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