Dear Parents

The Winning Bard.
Congratulations to Caitlyn on winning the competition for the best poem in our St David’s Day ceremony. She received a beautiful miniature chair which was presented to the school by last years’ winner Ellie. The Year 4 winner was Katie and the Yr. 3 winner was Lewis. Well done!

National Book Quiz.
This year 4 teams entered – 2 teams from Yrs. 5/6, 1 Yr. 3 team and 1 Yr. 4 team.
Yrs. 5/6 = (Caitlyn, Tirion, Lwsi and Ffion) + (Eleri, Rhys W, Haf and Freya).
Yr. 4 = Amy, Archie, Aidan and Evan.
Yr. 3 = Elliw, Jac, Lillie Mae and Charlotte.
A BIG congratulations to Yr. 4 on reaching the 2nd round! All the very best.

Local Urdd Dance Eisteddfod.
Congratulations to all the competitors for doing their very best. All pupils who came 1st and 2nd will compete at the area Eisteddfod at Theatre Hafren on March 15th – 1st Creative Group, 2nd – Caitlyn (Individual Hip Hop). All the very best in the next round. The Hip Hop Group were also great – 3rd this year – thanks for their hard work.

Sport.
Tennis.
Many pupils took part in a local tennis competition recently – 4 teams from Yr. 4 and 3 teams from Yr. 3. Well done Yr. 3 girls on coming 2nd – Talar, Cerys, Hali and Charlotte. A BIG congratulations to Yr. 3 boys on reaching the next round – Jac, Lewis, Morgan and Dewi. Wimbledon next!

Gymnastics.
Congratulations to Cole, Ffion and Owain on representing our school at the Urdd final round at Aberystwyth. All the best in Cardiff on March 9th. Go for it!

Carrie’s success
Carrie Jones (past pupil) has been chosen to play for Wales under 15 girls football team. In her first game she scored a spectacular goal! Fantastic Carrie – Go! Go! Go!

Kiva Award.
Every month we are presenting a Kiva award to the child who has shown extreme kindness to others. Our 1st winner of the award is Dewi Yr. 6. Well-deserved Dewi!

Attendance.
Our target this year is 96.5%.
Here is the attendance for the half term after Christmas;
Yr. R/ 1 = 96.30% (↑)
Yr. 2 = 96.68% (↑)
Yr. 3 = 97.11% (↑)
Yr. 4/5 = 95.90% (↑)
Yr. 5/6 = 96.57% (↑)
Waw! EVERYONE has shown an increase! Fantastic! Also 3 classes attaining above target! CONGRATULATIONS to Mrs Prince’s class for the highest % once again – great!

**Cashless System.**
As all school in Powys, very soon Ysgol Dafydd Llwyd will be starting the Cashless System. This is a system which allows parents to use the system PayPal. 2 important dates to remember;
March 13 - Presentation for parents at Newtown High School at 6 o’clock.
May 16 - Ysgol Dafydd Llwyd going live!

**Marie Curie Daffodils.**
We are selling Daffodils in the reception area – donations of a £1 towards Marie Curie please.

**Dates:**

**March.**
3/3 – KS2 – Sports with students of NPTC.
8/3 – Raising awareness of Non Smoking Day.
8/3 – Group of pupils helping ‘Keep Newtown Tidy’.
9/3 – Cole, Ffion and Owain competing in the Gymnastic finals at Cardiff.
10/3 – Adjudicating Urdd Art and Crafts – Newtown High School.
13/3 – Cashless System presentation for parents at Newtown High School at 6 o’clock.
15/3 – Area Urdd Dance Eisteddfod – Theatr Hafren.
17/3 – KS2 – Cross Country competition at Dolerw Park.
24/3 – Red Nose Day.
25/3 – Area Urdd Eisteddfod – Newtown High School.

**April.**
5/4 – Newtown Swimming Gala.
6/4 – End of Spring Term.
7/4 – Non Pupil Day.
24/4 – Summer Term begins.
26 – 28 /4 Yrs. 5/6 Llangrannog.

Yours sincerely

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