



## Newsletter- Friday 13<sup>th</sup> February

What a busy and brilliant week to round off the half term. We are now officially halfway through the school year, which feels like a milestone worth celebrating! All children will have brought home an interim report this week — the second year we've introduced these following parent feedback requesting more regular updates on progress to complement recent parent meetings.

A huge thank you to the Friends of Hanmer for all their hard work organising our Valentine's Disco. The children absolutely loved it, and we're so grateful for the time and energy that goes into making these events so special.

After half term, we'll continue learning about our school's rich history as we move closer to our 350th anniversary celebrations — an exciting moment for everyone in our community. We hope you all enjoy a wonderful, restful half term break. We look forward to welcoming the children back on Monday 23rd February.

Warm Wishes  
Nicola Locker and the St Chad's Team



♥ Love was definitely in the air! ♥

Our Valentine's Disco was a huge hit — the children had an amazing time and together we raised an incredible **£485!**

A massive thank you to the Friends of Hanmer for organising such a brilliant event, and to all the staff who helped make the event special.

We're so grateful for your hard work and support



| Month   | Event   |
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| <b>February</b>                               |   |
| Mon 23 <sup>rd</sup>                          | Children back to school<br>Xplore RVE Workshop Class 3 and 4  |
| Weds 25 <sup>th</sup>                         | Father Jermery- Collective Worship                            |
| Fri 27 <sup>th</sup>                          | St David's Day themed dinner                                  |
| <b>March</b>                                  |   |
| Mon 2 <sup>nd</sup>                           | Shrek Dress Rehearsal at the Maelor school- details below     |
| Fri 6 <sup>th</sup>                           | Eisteddfod- details below                                     |
| Mon 16 <sup>th</sup><br>Tues 17 <sup>th</sup> | Year 6 Bike course- letter after half term                    |
| Fri 20 <sup>th</sup>                          | Know your Church Workshop                                     |
|   | Easter Bingo date tbc   |
| Tues 24 <sup>th</sup>                         | Netball and Football match- after school details to follow    |
| Fri 27 <sup>th</sup>                          | Easter Service Church- Parents welcome<br>Break up for Easter |
| <b>April</b>                                  |   |
| Mon 13 <sup>th</sup>                          | Training day  |
| Tues 14 <sup>th</sup>                         | Children back in  |
| Weds 22 <sup>nd</sup>                         | Earth Day- Xplore workshop                                    |
| <b>May</b>                                    |   |
| Thurs 21 <sup>st</sup>                        | 350 <sup>th</sup> Celebration                                 |
|   | <a href="#">Click here for 2026/2027 term dates</a>           |

Class 3 and 4 have been invited to watch the dress rehearsal of Shrek the Musical at The Maelor School . It will be lovely to see some St Chadian's perform!



ASC Clubs starting the second week back- details to follow



Please click on the image to explore what Literacy looks like at St Chad's.

## Forest School

We are back outside starting 23<sup>rd</sup> February

Class 1 Monday AM- Children to come to school dressed in FS kits - Reception children uniform in a bag to get changed into for the afternoon

Class 4 Tue PM  
Class 2 Wed PM  
Class 3 Fri PM

To bring FS kits in a bag to get changed into





Dosbarth 1 had a *roarsome* time at their Gruffalo party this week. After planning the whole thing themselves as part of Forest School, the children had fun, games, and—much to everyone’s delight—a helping of Gruffalo crumble to finish it all off!

## Attendance

This week- 99%  
 School Year average- 96%  
 Wrexham average 92%

Wow! What a productive tidy-up day. Our outdoor area has had a spring clean! The children threw themselves into the job with so much enthusiasm — sweeping, sorting, and taking real pride in looking after their environment. A brilliant team effort and a lovely way to show how much we care for our school grounds.



# St Chad's Eisteddfod

Friday 6<sup>th</sup> March in St Chad's Church 9:30am

(Parents invited)

Please can children come to school dressed in either Welsh traditional costume or Welsh Rugby/ Football shirts.

Please check SeeSaw for the competition entries- All entries to come in on Thursday 5<sup>th</sup> March to be judged and displayed in Church.



A group of our pupils visited The Maelor School to take part in a transition Science project, where they explored new skills they'll soon be sharing with their classmates. It was a wonderful experience for them, and they represented our school with real pride and maturity





# Reading Award

Our pupil voice groups have helped design a new way to encourage regular reading at home. Even as children get older, it's still really important that they read aloud and that an adult listens to them regularly.

### How it works:

**Please record every time you read with your child at home in your child's reading record.**

Older children can fill in the log themselves, but an adult must initial it.

**In school, each week that an adult reads with your child, they will earn a star sticker.**

**For every 10 stickers, your child will receive a "Hot Chocolate Reward Ticket".**



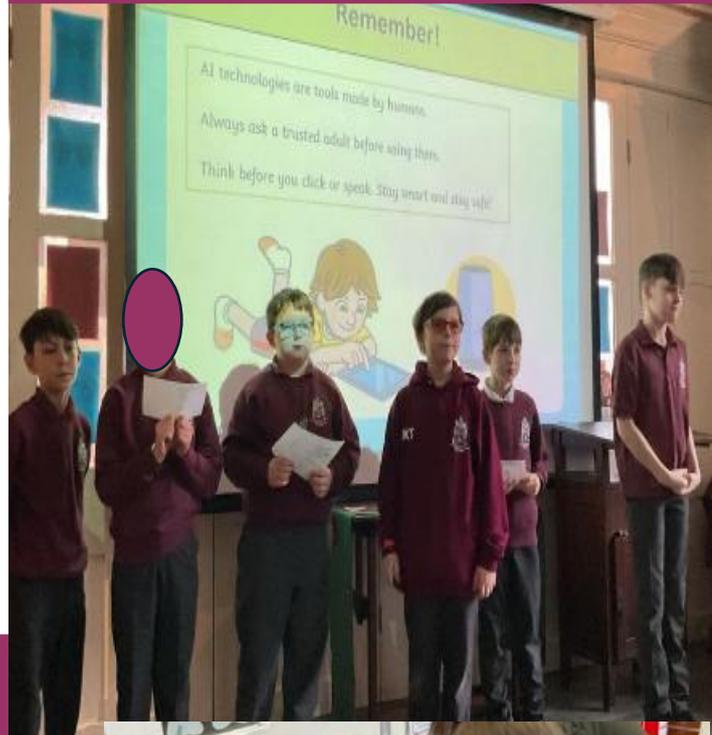
They can use this on a Friday as a special treat.

After receiving their reward, **the count will reset**, and they can begin working toward their next 10 stickers.

This system is designed to celebrate children's efforts, build a love of reading, and keep families involved in their reading journey. Thank you for your support!

Starting after half term!

Our Digi Leaders delivered an engaging Internet Safety Day assembly this week, proudly showcasing this year's theme exploring the safe and responsible use of AI.



Our pupils had an amazing time taking part in a *Chemistry with Cabbage* workshop today! Using red cabbage as a natural pH indicator, they experimented with everyday liquids and watched the colours transform before their eyes.

