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# Cross Ash Primary School

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## Newsletter- Newyddion

**15<sup>th</sup> September (Medi) 2022**

*Right of the Month: To an Education, to learn*

*Value of the Month: Courage*

*Seal Theme: New Beginnings*



Dear Parents, Carers and Friends,

Annwyl Rhieni,

You will be aware that next Monday, 19<sup>th</sup> September, will be the State Funeral of Queen Elizabeth II and as such has been designated a Bank Holiday. The following Monday is also an INSET Day, so again school will be closed.

**Usk Show** last weekend was very successful for our children. All classes entered something into the craft tent and the work was beautiful. Well done all! Thank you Miss Phillips, Mrs Westoby and Mrs Goddard for attending on behalf of our school. I know that many families attended too and enjoyed the day. Look at some more photographs of the entries later on in the newsletter.



**Pupil Voice**



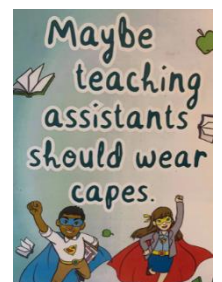
Today the Year 6 children completed their **Castle Captain Speeches**. It was so lovely this year for them to be completed in front of a live audience! There was lots of laughter, applause, and audience participation. The whole school really enjoyed the speeches that had been put together so carefully. Thank you, parents, for supporting your children at home with this. They really should all feel very proud of themselves.

Diolch Blwyddyn 6!

Please can you encourage your children to apply for the **Pupil Voice Committees** that they would like to support? Please see the letters emailed out regarding this. The deadline was Monday 19<sup>th</sup> September originally but will now be Tuesday 20<sup>th</sup> September. It is so important that their views are expressed to help us to create the school they want!

**Article 12 of UNCRC: Children have the right to give an opinion and for adults to take this seriously**

Tomorrow is **Teaching Assistant Appreciation Day**. We have already marked this in school with a small treat. We just wanted our support staff to know that their work is so important and that the teachers and children couldn't manage without you! Thank you to all of our support staff, in the classroom and in the office for all you do for us. You really are heroes! I also want to thank the **canteen staff** for implementing the new lunchtime arrangements so well. You've been amazing!



## Photographs

Individual school photographs will be taken on Tuesday September 20<sup>th</sup>. Please ensure that your child is wearing school uniform that day. Thank you!



Music provision is a huge part of life at Cross Ash and although we have tried to keep as much going as possible throughout the pandemic, we haven't been able to do all that we have wanted to. I am so pleased that the choir is planning to take part in the 1000 voices event and that lots of children have shown an interest in taking up a musical instrument. Letters have been sent home this week regarding woodwind provision. Please look at the information later on in the newsletter detailing how to access music provision for your child. The more who join, the merrier!



Have a lovely weekend all.

Kind regards /Cofion Cynnes,

**Kathryn Presdee**

Pennaeth /Prifathrawes

## Dates for your Diary

<b>Monday 19<sup>th</sup> September</b>	<b>Bank Holiday for Queen Elizabeth II's State Funeral</b>
<b>Tuesday 20<sup>th</sup> September</b>	<b>Individual photos to be taken – uniform please</b>
<b>Wednesday 21<sup>st</sup> September</b>	<b>Choir Event – Cardiff – Letters for the choir going out tomorrow, Friday 16th</b>
<b>Monday 26<sup>th</sup> September</b>	<b>Training Day</b>
<b>Thursday 29<sup>th</sup> September</b>	<b>Cross Country Event – Mon Comp – details to follow</b>
<b>Thursday 6<sup>th</sup> October</b>	<b>Harvest Festival at Skenfrith Church – 10.30am – details to follow</b>
<b>Monday 10<sup>th</sup> October</b>	<b>Open afternoon from 1.30pm</b>
<b>w/c Mon 10<sup>th</sup> Oct</b>	<b>Parent Consultations – details to follow</b>
<b>Monday 17<sup>th</sup> October</b>	<b>Scholastics Book Fair Delivery</b>
<b>Monday 24<sup>th</sup> October</b>	<b>Scholastics Book Fair Collection</b>
<b>Monday 31<sup>st</sup> Oct – Friday 4<sup>th</sup> Nov</b>	<b>Half Term Holiday</b>
<b>Friday 18<sup>th</sup> November</b>	<b>Children In Need</b>
<b>Monday 5<sup>th</sup> December</b>	<b>Flu Immunisations – more details to follow</b>
<b>Monday 9<sup>th</sup> January</b>	<b>Training Day</b>

## Junior Football After School Clubs

Commencing next week

Yrs 3 & 4 – Wednesday 21st

Yrs 5 & 6 – Thursday 22nd

Letters have been distributed to those interested in participating to sign up.

We are in the process of setting up a "Dance Blast" club after school and also an Outdoor "Wild Cubs" Club.

More details will follow as we know them.

Watch this space!

PLEASE REMEMBER THAT WE ARE A NUT FREE SCHOOL. This is vitally important. We have children and staff with nut allergies within school. Please take note of the ingredients in sandwich spreads too eg. Nutella. Thank you in advance for your support with this.



## Twitter

Follow us if you can!

@CrossAshPrimary (whole school account)

@CrossAshRec @CrossAshY1 @CrossAshY2 @CrossAshY3 @CrossAshY4 @CrossAshY5 @CrossAshY6



## Welsh Words for the Fortnight

Welcome – Croeso

Bore da – Morning

Prynhawn da – Good afternoon



## Gwent Music

Reminder: Please contact 01633210800 if interested in lessons for your child

Monday – Martin Davies - Brass

Tuesday – Chris Davis – Vocal

Wednesday – Aimee Edmunds - Woodwind

Thursday – Siobhan Morgan - Piano

Friday – Selena Hamilton – Strings



I was passing Year 2 and I spied a newly constructed space rocket engineered by Mrs Williams and the children

Well done on your efforts! 😊





**Mrs Edmunds gave a woodwind demonstration to the children in assembly.**

**There was lots of interest from the children after her enthusiastic renditions from Star Wars, Pepper Pig and Encanto, so please contact Gwent Music on the number above or pick a form up with details from the office if interested.**



## **ACHIEVEMENTS**



Llewellyn in Year 5 was asked to judge the annual official sale of the Badger Face Mountain Sheep Society last weekend. He is the youngest person ever to be asked to be junior judge! Llewellyn took it all in his stride and completed his duties with enthusiasm and pride. Well done Llewellyn!

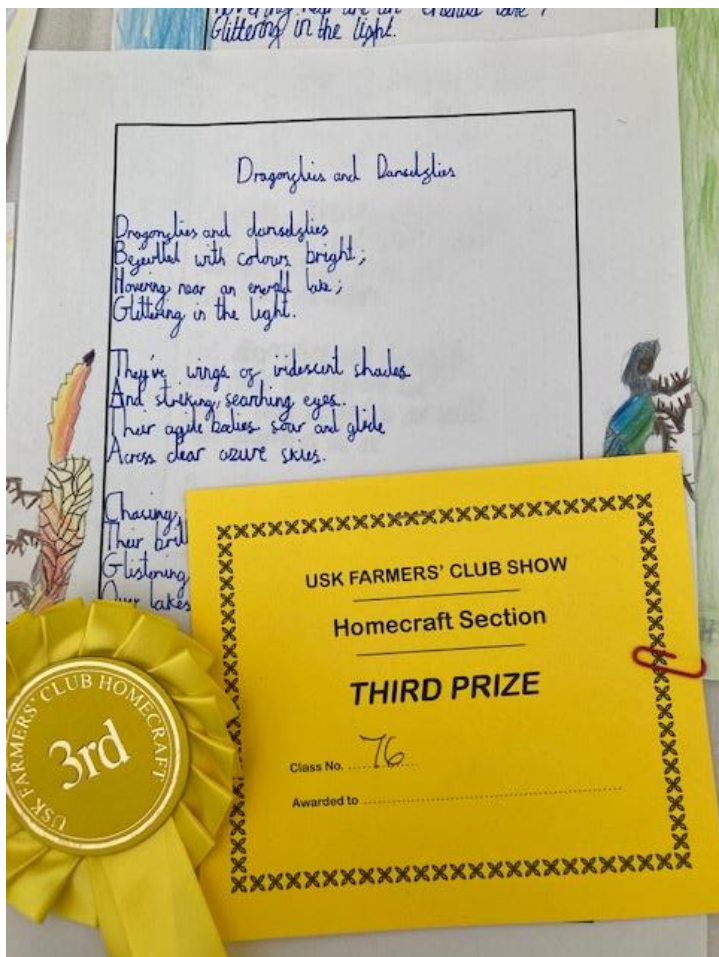


# ENTRIES IN USK SHOW



Tabitha, Joan, Solara, Aneira & Alexis' prize winning entries

Well done to everyone who took part 😊





# In the Classes

## Year 6

Year 6 had a fantastically successful morning on Thursday presenting their Castle Captain speeches to the whole school. To say they went above and beyond is an understatement! From motivational speeches and singing and rapping, to hula hooping, marmalade sandwiches and cream pies ... they certainly put on quite a show!

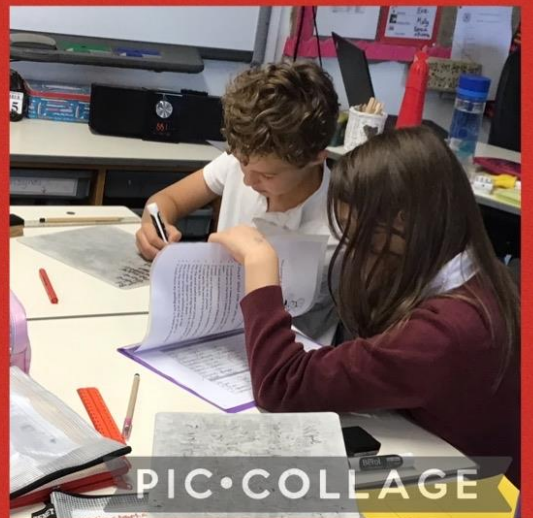
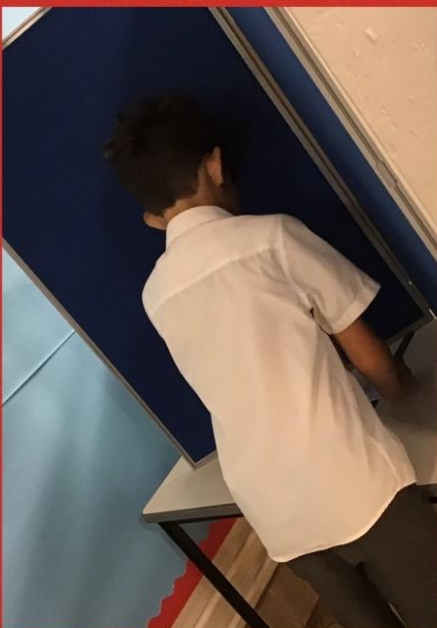
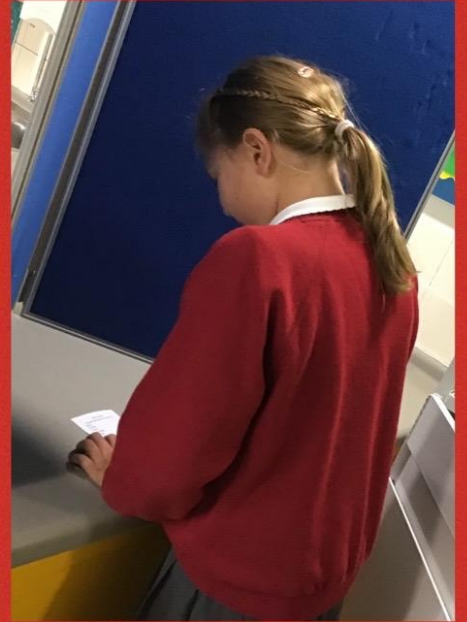
I am incredibly proud of every single one of them, and of course, they have earned a class award! Bendigedig Blwyddyn 6! Results to follow next week,...





# Year 5

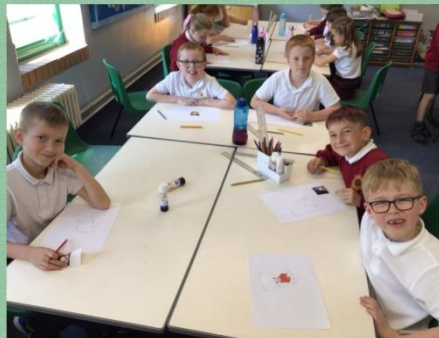
Year 5 have been busy partner testing, working on Mathematics quests and voting in Castle Captain elections! Another busy week 😊





# Year 4

This week, blwyddyn pedwar studied and discussed Andy Warhol's Endangered Species artwork. We discussed which of the prints we were drawn to and what we liked about them. We are going to be creating our own pictures of endangered species using his style.





# Year 3

We have been practising races for cross country 🏃

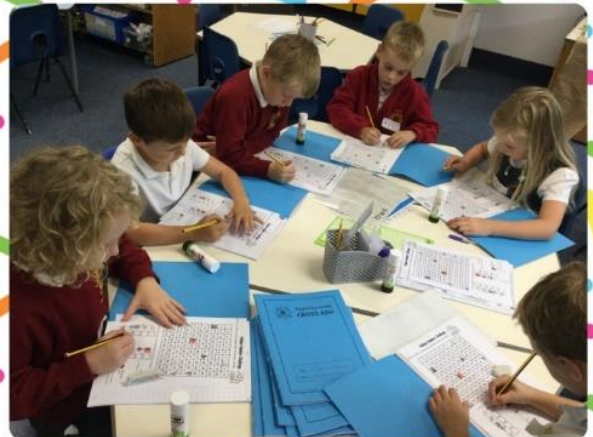


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## Year 2

We had a very busy and exciting day celebrating Roald Dahl day in Blwyddyn 2 this week! Everybody enjoyed our different Roald Dahl themed activities and especially learning our own 'Roald Dahl' names. I think my new name of 'Mrs. Scrumdiddilyumptious' was a hit!





# Year 1



## Reception

What a busy first week for Reception! They have had their first P.E. session, drawn pictures of their families, ordered numbers and been to Forest School. Today they have been busy designing their own worry monster, we talked about our favourite colours and how they make us feel.





