



Sageston CP School

Newsletter – February 2025



This Term's Values: Honesty and Confidence; Teamwork and Responsibility

I hope you are all enjoying the half term break with your children. With a few hours to spare, I am providing you with this month's newsletter! Importantly, I have included information (that I have already shared via Seesaw) about our Welsh Week starting on Monday just to remind you about the things going on during the week. We hope to see many of you at our assembly on Tuesday to celebrate St David's Day. Happy St David's Day for tomorrow! We look forward to welcoming the children back to school on Monday morning.

Upcoming Dates

March:

Monday 3rd March:	First Day of the Second Half Term and Start of Welsh Week/Wythnos Cymraeg
Tuesday 4th March:	Dydd Gŵyl Dewi Sant/St David's Day Assembly at 9.30am, Parents Invited
Tuesday 11th March:	World Book Day (changed from original date of 6 th March)
Wednesday 12th March:	Spectrum Workshops for Swan Class
Thursday 13th March:	Spectrum Workshops for Robin Class
Friday 21st March:	Comic Relief: Red Nose Day
Tuesday 18th March to Friday 21st March:	Scholastic Book Fair in School
Monday 24th March to Thursday 27th March:	Parents' Evening Meetings Please note, only Board Games Club and Netball Club will run this week.
Wednesday 26 th March:	Height and Weight Screening for Reception Pupils
Friday 28 th March:	FOSS Easter Prize Bingo Night, Carew Memorial Hall at 6pm

April:

Monday 7th April:	Robin Class Landing Day from 10am – Parents Invited to Attend Chance to Shine Cricket Sessions for Barn Owl, Swan and Kingfisher Classes
Tuesday 8 th April:	Easter Service at St Mary's Church, Carew Cheriton
Wednesday 9th April:	Swan Class Landing Day from 2pm – Parents Invited to Attend
Thursday 10th April:	Barn Owl and Swan Classes to St David's Cathedral
Friday 11th April:	Final Day of the Spring Term

Important Messages

A Message of Thanks

I haven't had much of a chance to catch up with Mr Davies, Miss Cole and Mrs Davies after Kingfisher Class's residential visit to the Urdd Centre in Llangrannog on the final three days of last half term. However, I am aware that the pupils were fantastically behaved during the visit, so I would like to say a big thanks to them for representing our school so positively. I also would like to express my sincere gratitude to staff who gave up their own time to accompany the pupils. Without their commitment and dedication, we would not be in a position to offer such amazing opportunities to the pupils of Sageston CP School.

INSET Days

A quick reminder that we have already had four of our six allotted INSET days for the year. The first day of next term will be an INSET Day: Monday 28th April. The final INSET Day for the year will be on Monday 21st July and staff will be expected to attend twilight sessions over the next couple of terms to make this time up so that they do not have to come into school on that date.

Additional/Changed Dates

Following on from our successful services at St Mary's Church for Harvest and Christmas, I am delighted to say that Reverend Hannah and I have booked a further date in our diaries for a whole school Easter Service on Tuesday 8th April at 10am. We would love for parents and family members to attend and support the school and church.

You will also note that the date we will be celebrating World Book Day on has changed. Rather than hold it during our Welsh Week and detract from the focus of that week, we have decided to hold it during the following week on Tuesday 11th March. This gives you all a few extra days to sort out costumes!

Grant Funding

The whole of the school community is incredibly grateful to Max from Kingfisher Class who, in his role as Chair of the Eco Council, successfully applied for a £500 grant to go towards items to support the work of the Eco Council. We have new recycling bins, litter pickers and wheelbarrows to name just a few of the items the £500 has paid for. Thank you, Max for your commitment to improving our school and our environment.

Lovespoon Competition

Design a Lovespoon that tells a story about you

The winner gets their design made into a Lovespoon

Closing date for entries is March 3rd 2025

Please remember to write your name and class name on your entry

Designed by Alf and Talayla

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Key Events and Visits

5th and 17th February:

DC Gareth Bain and police sniffer dog Stan visited pupils in Robin and Barn Owl Classes to demonstrate the work that they do. A big thank you to Clara in Kingfishers for this suggestion. Gareth and Stan will be back to work with Swan and Kingfisher Classes later in the term.

13th February:

Pupils from Kingfisher Class competed in the Urdd 7-a-side Football Tournament at Ysgol Henry Tudor. I will be sharing some tournament reports written by some of the pupils who took part next week via Seesaw.

19th to 21st February:

Kingfisher Class residential visit to the Urdd Centre in Llangrannog.

In addition, we also received visits from Deacon Jon and Honey (our Burns By Your Side Reading Dog) and her owner, Sharon in February.

Welsh Week/Wythnos Cymraeg

We will be holding our annual St. David's Day celebrations in school throughout the week beginning Monday 3rd March. Each day of the week, pupils are encouraged to wear any type of Welsh clothing/costume or to come to school wearing the colours of the Welsh flag.

Parents are invited into school at 9.30am on Tuesday 4th March for a short assembly where each class will perform. This will be a chance for us to acknowledge and recognise our Welsh heritage and history with parents during this special national celebration.

We will also be holding elements of our annual school Eisteddfod throughout the week and we invite all pupils to take part in some way. During our Welsh Week, pupils will prepare for the recitation element and produce some poetry/written work. However, there will be several other activities for pupils to join in with and although entry is optional, it is hoped that each pupil will become involved in at least one.

At home, pupils are encouraged to practise/attempt as many of the following activities that they are comfortable with. Entries for art/craft, cooking and photography should be brought to school on Monday 3rd March.

Art/Craft

Create a piece of art or craft that reflects what it means to be Welsh or includes Welsh icons/items.

Dance

Individuals or groups are invited to present any type of dance to any song written or performed by a Welsh artist e.g. Tom Jones, Duffy, Stereophonics, etc.

Singing

Individuals or groups are invited to sing any song written or performed by a Welsh artist e.g. Tom Jones, Duffy, Stereophonics, etc. This should be performed to a backing track and with no backing lyrics.

Cookery

Children to cook/create their own Welsh dish.

Photography

Children to submit any kind of photography based on our county, Pembrokeshire.

These will be judged throughout the week and first, second and third prizes will be presented for each category. Please ensure that any entries that are submitted for judging are labelled with your child's name, age and class. We hope that we will have many entries for what promises to be a very enjoyable and exciting week of celebration for us all.

The Latest from FOSS



Happy Easter

FOSS would really like your help please. We would be very grateful for any donations of the following items for our Family Fun Bingo Night.

Easter Eggs *Easter Craft items* *Easter Treats*
Easter Gifts for our Hampers
Bottles of Wine *Non-Alcoholic*

If you are able to donate, please can you drop the items to school

Hi all, Friends of Sageston School (FOSS), have a great fundraising team, that raises money for our school. We are always looking for new volunteers, to help organise and run fun events and activities for the children at our school, alongside their families. If you would like to get involved, bringing new ideas and join our lovely welcoming group of members, please email Luisa Shatford at the office school
admin.sageston@pembrokeshire.gov.uk

You will be given the relevant contact details.

If you would like to volunteer at the Easter Bingo on 28th March, please message your details to Luisa, we very much look forward to meeting new members.

Thank you for all the continued support that we receive.

Celebration Videos

As you know, each week, we have a celebration assembly where we award various certificates earned in school. It is also an opportunity for children to celebrate their achievements outside of school.

Here are the links to the celebration assembly videos for February:

[February 7th](#)

[February 14th](#)

[February 21st](#)

If you don't already know the password to access these videos, please contact me via the methods shared earlier in this newsletter and I'll be happy to share it with you.