

# OGMORE VALE WEEKLY NEWS



## Headteachers Message

Week 5 started with an assembly about another one of our school Values, this time 'Respect'. Pupils were able to give good examples of when they have shown respect to others. If you have been to the main entrance in school recently you may have seen our new values display boards. It is important that our pupils try their best to live by these values at school and we encourage this in our everyday lessons.

I have been out and about a lot this week around site and its great to see developments in our outdoor learning spaces. We are in the middle of a whole school project to develop our outdoor learning spaces from Nursery-Year 6. Our pupils have been really involved in this process so they have ownership of these spaces. I have been popping in and out of classes this week and its been a pleasure to see the exciting learning that is being planned by our hard working staff.

Children may mention that an alarm went off in school today. We were testing our Lockdown Procedures, which is a statutory duty we have to follow. There was no emergency on site, we were simply completing a drill. Next week we will start collecting donations for the food bank for Harvest. Please send in any donations and they will be collected by the food bank on Monday 13<sup>th</sup> October after our Harvest Assembly.

Thank you for your continued support,  
Mrs L Brown (Headteacher)

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### The week ahead

All week pupils can donate non-perishables for the food bank Harvest collection next week.

#### Monday 6<sup>th</sup> Oct:

- HT assembly 'Kindness' follow by Year 3-6 chance to get involved in Eco Committee and Healthy schools club.



#### Tuesday 9<sup>th</sup> Oct:

- Baby and Toddler Group in the Zen Den 9am.

#### Wednesday 8<sup>th</sup> Oct:

- Year 4 Money Ready workshop.
- Savers Club
- PM - Ogmores Vale Pride session in Conservation area of school - Reception





# Criw Cymraeg

**Croeso! We want to say a huge welcome to our new Criw Cymraeg members, Summer, Zachary, Anaya and Mrs Mallinson. We know they will work hard to promote Welsh through the school as we begin our Silver Award Journey. Ardderchog!**

## **Announcement:**

### **Diwrnod Shwmae 15<sup>th</sup> October**

**Help us celebrate Diwrnod Shwmae by wearing red, white and green to school. We will be doing fun Welsh activities such as designing a Shwmae logo, singing Welsh songs and having a party to celebrate getting our Bronze Welsh Award.**

**Hwyl a Sbri!**

## **Brawddeg Yr Wythnos/ Phrase of the Week**

**Please help us practise our Phrase of the Week at home. Let's get as many adults learning Welsh as possible!**

**Faint ydy dy oed di?**

**How old are you?**

**Dw i'n 7 oed**

**I am 7 years old.**

# Mini SLT

Our Mini SLT met this week and have started putting together an action plan. They are currently amending this years Mission Statement and were really vocal in sharing feedback from their classes. Mini SLT are a very important part of our pupil voice at OVP. They are the ones who share the ideas and views of the rest of the pupils with the staff, Governors and Senior Leadership Team.



**They also have  
fabulous new  
badges!**



# Some Highlights from this week....



Some Year 3/ 4 walked to the local builders yard to get some materials for their new outdoor area they are designing. Thank you to 'Ogmore Vale Building Supplies' for donating some of the products and giving us such a responsible price on the others.

Several of our Year 5/6 pupils have been helping in out in our school food pantry. This is not only teaching the importance of helping others but also authentic maths opportunities, counting, sorting money and giving change.

Da lawn Pawb!



Some of our younger pupils got engaged in their Tip Top Dance session! Nice Moves all!



Our outdoor spaces for our younger pupils are really coming along. It's great to see pupils so engaged in this.

# Partnership Working

## Ogmore Vale Historical Society.

The Ogmore Vale Historical Society came into our school on Friday to share their wealth of knowledge about the Coal Mining industry with our Year 5 and 6 pupils. This included the pupils getting a chance to see a huge range of artefacts up close, touch them and ask questions. A exhibition brought right to our school hall. Thank you



## Priide of Ogmore Vale

From next week we will be working with Ogmore Vale Priide **every Wednesday afternoon** on a range of conservation projects.

From next Wednesday each class will have an afternoon slot to visit the outdoor garden space and outdoor classroom facilities to find out what goes on there. After these introductory sessions classes will be furthering their science/ natural world knowledge related to their topic work. Andy and Sue from Priide have a huge wealth of knowledge and both come from conservation backgrounds.

We will also be introducing our new 'SCHOOL RANGERS' who will be part of our ECO/ HEALTHY SCHOOL group.

Miss Owen and Miss Stevens will be working closely with Ogmore Priide and SCHOOL RANGERS to consider how we can look after the environment around us, save energy and reduce waste.

**PRIIDE HAVE BEEN HELPING DEVELOPING OUR OUTDOOR LEARNING AREAS THIS WEEK ALONGSIDE OUR PUPILS, AS YOU CAN SEE FROM PICTURES BELOW.**



# FAMILY ENGAGEMENT @ OVP

## BUSY, busy, busy!

Our Baby and Toddler group has been so busy the last couple of weeks and we are delighted. It is lovely to provide a service to the local community and everyone is welcome. It is free 9am-10.30am every Tuesday. See you there!



### Save the Dates:

- Two important dates for our families:
1. Cuppa with the Headteacher 9am Thursday 23<sup>rd</sup> October (Usually last Thursday of Month but this will be half term) .
  2. Employability Coffee Morning- find out training and services they have to offer Tuesday 4<sup>th</sup> November 9am.

FRIENDS OF OV INVITE YOU TO OUR SPOOKY **HALLOWEEN DISCO** THURSDAY 23<sup>RD</sup> OCTOBER  
[www.pta-events.co.uk/friendsofогmorevaleprimary/](http://www.pta-events.co.uk/friendsofогmorevaleprimary/)

TICKETS £2.50  
QUICKER ENTRY IF BOUGHT IN ADVANCE! USE THE QR CODE OR WEBSITE ABOVE.

FANCY DRESS OPTIONAL!

FOOD | MUSIC | DRINKS

3:10pm-4:10pm - Foundation phase and key stage 1 **\*\* (Parent/carers can change children in classrooms after school and stay with the children)\*\***

4:20pm-5:20pm - Key stage 2 **\*\* (Parents/carers to drop off and collect children from reception)\*\***

## Halloween Disco Details

