



# St Ethelwold's V.A. Primary School Newsletter

*'Be The Best You Can'*

24th January 2020

Good afternoon to you all and welcome to your weekly newsletter with news and information from our busy little school.

We had a fabulous day on Monday where we were treated to a performance of Pinocchio by M & M Productions. The professional acting team brought the evergreen story of the little wooden puppet to life with bright and engaging performances and a truly stunning set. All of our pupils, from our youngest in reception to our oldest in Y6 enjoyed the performance and got a lot out of it and we thoroughly enjoyed the day.

A number of our budding artists attended an art day at Hawarden High School this week entitled Ironman. They were expertly tutored by a local illustrator and we plan to use their newly acquired skills to teach some of our other children illustration skills.

As part of our Safeguarding procedures, we welcomed in NSPCC this week for a couple of assemblies across the whole school and a workshop with our upper juniors. The theme of the day was Speak Out, Stay Safe and the message given to all of our pupils was that they all have the right to be safe, to get help where they need it and the right to be heard. The sessions were very well received by all of our pupils who reacted sensibly and sensitively to the issues and asked some very interesting and pertinent questions.

I am becoming increasingly impressed with the quality of display around the school. The four teachers worked collaboratively to produce two displays recently, one showing progression in writing across our school and the other showing the progression in numeracy skills. If you get a chance, have a look at them, they are just on the left through our second set of doors on the junior side of the building. Other work being displayed which should be further celebrated are the excellent Epiphany Promises in Mrs Blackburn's room, the superb Welsh pen pal emails in Mr Griffith's room, the brilliant French display inspired by Mrs Dunwoodie and featuring some simple French words in Mrs Parry's room and the Wow Wall in Miss Hughes room – there are some incredible things happening on that Wow Wall!

That brings to an end our news from the week and we look forward to opening the doors on Monday morning and welcoming you all back. We hope that you all have a peaceful and a restorative weekend.

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Mr Oliver

## Siaradwr Cymraeg– Welsh Speaker

Class 1– Daniel Georgiev

Class 2– Georgi Kolev

Class 3– Joshua Edwards

Class 4– Lily-May Forster

## Special Mentions/ Cyfeiriadau Arbennig

Class 1– Jorgie Challinor

Class 2– Louise Hett & Lara Cartwright

Class 3– Cherri-Jo Haycock & Vanessa Ignaszak

Class 4– Shakira Haque & Jayden Pugh

## Attendance/ Presenoldeb

This week's class with the best attendance is Class 4 with 96.3%. Whole school attendance is 91.9%.

## Prayer/ Gweddi

We pray for children and young people in our society,  
and for those who make and implement  
the policies that protect them  
and enable them to flourish.

As we ask your blessing on the Children in Society  
and those that are most vulnerable,  
may all children and young people  
be cherished, celebrated and protected,  
in the name of Jesus Christ.



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Mrs Murray is planning a special Chinese menu on Thursday to celebrate the New Year.  
More details to follow

### Diary Dates/ Dyddiadur

**28th January**– ADHD awareness course

**27th February**– Maths outreach programme

**5th March**– World Book Day– Come in dressed as a character from your favourite book (staff and children)

**27th March**– Disney On Ice Trip

**3rd April**– Easter Tea– Come and join us for a brew and a biscuit and test your luck on the Easter Egg Raffle

**3rd April**– School closes for Easter Break

**20th April**– School reopens

**27th April**– Class photographs

**28th April-5th May**– Welsh National Tests

**Friday 8th May**– School closed for Bank Holiday-This is an amended date

