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Christmas 2025



THE DELL PRIMARY NEWSLETTER

As a very busy Autumn Term draws to a close I want to thank all our pupils for their enthusiasm, hard work and dedication to school life. Our pupils have performed ten incredible Christmas Concerts in recent weeks. They have put in so much effort and practice, it was an absolute pleasure to watch them perform in front of parents and carers this Christmas. This half term our learners have been on many trips and visits - most recently to Newport's Riverfront Theatre to enjoy the Rapunzel panto where they behaved superbly. I know the staff are extremely proud of the efforts of all our pupils. Our learners have had some truly amazing experiences this half term and photos of the many trips and visits can be seen in this Newsletter.

Over the last seven weeks staff have engaged with parents and carers holding a Sharing Afternoon, lantern making workshop and another successful Open Morning for parents looking for a Reception place in September 2026

In November staff worked closely with cluster colleagues on our STEM Lego Project and Anti-Racism planning across the school.

I would like to thank all the parents for their help providing costumes for concerts, aiding pupils to learn lines and songs as well as assisting with the many trips and visits. Huge thanks go to the staff for all the long hours and hard work this half term. The close working relationship of all stakeholders really is a strength of our school.

School is open again following the holidays on Monday 5th January. I hope you all have a very relaxing and enjoyable Christmas.

**Thank you for all your support,
Mark Adams.**

Our Year 1 pupils performing their wonderful Christmas concert - A King is Born.



Congratulations to Mrs Newcombe and Mrs Fox on completing their Emotional Literacy Support Assistant (ELSA) training earlier this month.

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Staffing Update

In January Mrs Elliot will teach her Year 5 class four days each week. Mrs Pullan will also now teach her Reception class four days each week with Miss Smiley covering one day a week in Year 5 and Reception.

DIARY DATES 2026

5 Jan - First Day of Spring Term

9-10 Feb - Year 5 Residential to Gilwern Outdoor Centre

10-13 Feb - Year 6 Residential to Gilwern Outdoor Centre

16-20 Feb - HALF TERM

26 Feb - Rags2Richels4Schools Collection

2 Mar - Eisteddfod Day

2-6 Mar - Cynefin Week

6 Mar - Sharing Afternoon 14:00- 15:15

17 Mar - Parent Teacher Meetings

18 Mar - Parent Teacher Meetings

20 Mar - PTA Spring Disco

26 Mar - Last Day of Spring Term

27 Mar - INSET Day

30 Mar - 10 Apr - EASTER HOLIDAYS

13 Apr - First Day of Summer Term

11-22 May - National Testing

25-29 May - HALF TERM

10 Jun - Sports Day

26 Jun - PTA Summer Disco

1 Jul - Upper School Summer Production - 6pm

2 Jul - Upper School Summer Production - 6pm

7 Jul - New Reception Parent Meeting - 6pm

8 Jul - New Reception Parent Meeting - 6pm

10 Jul - Sharing Afternoon - 14:00- 15:15pm

11 Jul - PTA Summer Fayre

15 Jul - Year 6 Leavers Celebration Picnic 13:00- 15:00pm

17 Jul - Last Day of Summer Term

20 Jul - INSET Day

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Premises Work....

This term we have had scaffolding on the front of the school building. This is to repair our leaking roof and ensure that we remain water tight throughout the winter. Also this term we started work on a new path from the playground to the school field. This will ensure all pupils can access the field throughout the academic year.
Diolch.



In November our Year 5 pupils visited Clifton Suspension Bridge as part of their work on Inventors.





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All our pupils had a fantastic time last week at The Riverfront Theatre in Newport watching the pantomime Rapunzel. Huge thanks to staff and parent helpers for making it such a special day.



Our Year 6 pupils performing at St. Mary's Church as part of our Upper School Christmas Service. This year the theme was The Symbols of Christmas. Thank you to all the parents and carers who attended. Diolch yn fawr!

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PTA Update...

Our enthusiastic PTA put together a wonderful Christmas Fayre last week. Thank you if you attended and joined in the festive cheer. Money raised at the fayre will go towards funding new playground markings for all our pupils on the Early Years and Upper School Playgrounds. Diolch.



There was enthusiastic singing and dancing at the Year 3 Christmas concert - Santa and the Beanstalk

