

### October Half Term **2025**



# THE DELL PRIMARY NEWSLETTER

This half term has been one of enthusiasm and energy at The Dell Primary. Our pupils have enjoyed a wide range of learning activities both inside and outside the classroom. I have seen so many of our pupils embrace the challenge of their new year groups and engage enthusiastically with so many new skills. Year 3 had an amazing visit to Plantasia in Swansea as part of their work on forests and woodlands. Also Year 4 and Year 5 visited Chepstow Library to develop their research skills while Year 2 have been out and about in the local area studying weather.

Over the last 8 weeks staff have engaged with parents and carers holding Meet The Teacher sessions and Parent/Teacher Consultations. We also held two successful Open Mornings for parents looking for a Reception place for their child in September 2026. I would like to thank all the pupils for their enthusiasm and hard work this half term. It is an absolute pleasure to work with such caring and enthusiastic learners. Many thanks to the staff for all the extra time they have put in this half term to ensure our pupils transition to their new year groups has been successful. It has been a superb start to the school year!

School is open again following the half term break on Tuesday  $4^{th}$  November. I hope you all have a very enjoyable holiday.

Thank you for all your support, Mark Adams.

Our Early Years pupils enjoying the Autumn leaves earlier this month.



Congratulations to our Senedd Leaders for 2025/26. They will be working with pupils and the Headteacher to improve our school this academic year.





Staffing Update

Mrs Elliot will return from her maternity leave to teach Year 5 after the half term holiday. This will initially be in a part time role and she will job share with Miss Smiley for the rest of Autumn Term. Mrs Pullan will now be working 4 days each week in our Reception class and Mrs Adams will continue as Acting Deputy Headteacher until a permanent appointment is made in Spring Term 2026.

#### **Diary Dates for November & December 2025**

3rd Nov - INSET Day.

10th Nov - INSET Day.

11th Nov - Rags2Riches4Schools Collection.

14th Nov - PTA Disco

21st Nov - Children in Need.

27th Nov - The Dell Singers performing at St. Pierre.

3rd Dec - Year 3 Christmas Concert at 9:30am.

3rd Dec - Year 1 Christmas Concert at 2:30pm.

4th Dec - Year 1 Christmas Concert at 9:30am.

4th Dec - Year 3 Christmas Concert at 2:30pm.

8th Dec - Upper School Concert at St Marys Church 2:00pm.

8th Dec - Year 2 Christmas Concert at 9:30am.

8th Dec - Reception Christmas Concert at 2:30pm.

9th Dec - Panto Trip to Riverfront Theatre, Newport

10th Dec - Upper School Concert at St Marys Church at 2:00pm

10th Dec - Reception Christmas Concert at 9:30am.

10th Dec - Year 2 Christmas Concert at 2:30pm.

12th Dec - Sharing Afternoon at 2:00pm.

12th Dec - PTA Christmas Fayre.

17th Dec - Pupils Christmas Lunch.

18 Dec - Last Day of Autumn Term.

19 Dec - INSET Day.

School is open again after the Christamas Holidays on Monday 5<sup>th</sup> January 2026. Diolch.

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#### Mr Adams says THANK YOU!

I just wanted to say thank you to everyone who has wished me luck and been so supportive as the new Headteacher. Even though I've done the role before being Headteaher is always challenging but having the support of our pupils, parents and staff has made the start of the academic year very special. Diolch!



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Congratulations to our Sports
Ambassadors for 2025/26. They will be leading all our sporting festivals and events across the school this academic year.





Congratulations to our School Council for 2025/26. They have been chosen by their peers and teachers to lead pupil voice across the school. They have a small but important budget that ensures our pupil's ideas are put into action!

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PTA Update...
Our enthusiastic PTA
have asked me to
highlight that the date
of the Autumn Term
Disco is now Friday 14<sup>th</sup>
November. Also any
support you can offer by
providing used clothes
in good condition as part
of our Rags To Riches
event on Tuesday 11<sup>th</sup>
November would be
hugely appreciated.
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Congratulations to our School Ambassadors for 2025/26. They will be representing the school at events and functions this academic year.

