



GELLISWICK NEWSLETTER 27th September 2019

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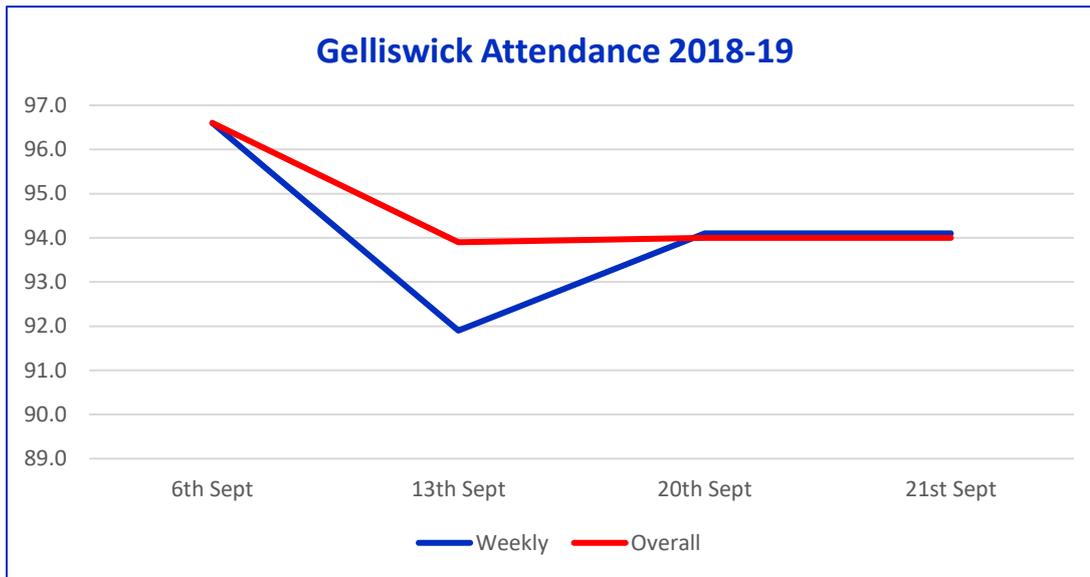
MESSAGE FROM MR DYER, THE HEAD TEACHER

- The children have been electing their school council and criw cymraeg representatives in the last week and we look forward to sharing news of these groups next week.
- We are collecting Aldi stickers. Every time you spend over £30 in any Aldi store you'll receive a Team GB sticker. Please bring your stickers to school to help complete our poster. Once complete with 300 stickers, we will send the poster back to Aldi to receive an exclusive sports kit and to be in with a chance to win £20,000 for our school.



- We had a very worthwhile training day for staff on Tuesday of this week. Pie Corbett was with us once again as we learnt more about developing children's writing through his internationally renowned 'Talk for Writing' strategies.
- Thank you to those who have responded to our reminders about being in school on time. Remember, 'every minute counts' and **all children should be in class by 8.50 a.m.** If you are experiencing difficulties with this, please contact Emma Evans our Family Liaison Officer for support. The school will contact parents of children who are persistently late to discuss ways to help children be on time.
- We have so far had one very good week of attendance (last week), and one very poor week (this week), and two neither good nor poor weeks. We encourage children to see the whole of life as opportunities to learn, but obviously learning in school can only happen in school. Don't let your child be the 'empty desk' in a classroom.

Attendance Matters



The blue line shows how we have done each week.

The red line shows how we are doing overall through the year.

School Matters!



ATTENDANCE INFORMATION

Our target	95%
This week	93.9%
This year so far	94.0%

Last year we were 93.8%, one of the lowest in Pembrokeshire.
Gelliswick can do better – we have to for our children

**IT IS ESSENTIAL THAT WE ALL DO EVERYTHING WE CAN TO IMPROVE OUR ATTENDANCE THIS YEAR.
 NOT HERE? NOT LEARNING ENOUGH.**

Congratulations to the following classes for over 95%

Whitesands 100%; Swanlake 98.3%; Abereiddi 97.0%; Nolton 97.0%; Parrog 96.6%;
 Newgale 96.1%; Coppet Hall 95.6%; Skrinkle Haven 95.4%

Please do read on to see our merit winners and caught moments from the last two weeks:



Compassion
 Courage
 Creativity
 Fairness
 Forgiveness
 Friendship
 Generosity



Hope
 Humility
 Love
 Peace
 Perseverance
 Respect
 Responsibility
 Service



Sportsmanship
 Spirituality
 Team work
 Thankfulness
 Trust
 Truthfulness
 Wisdom

CAUGHT MOMENTS – Diolch a da iawn to these children who were ‘caught’ living Gelliswick’s values:		
Service	Zoe Starling & Isabella DeFrancesco	Mr Stow caught Zoe and Isabella showing pride at being elected to be our Criw Cymraeg and School Council representatives.
Responsibility	Lucy Smith and Lowri Rees	Mrs Reynolds caught Lucy and Lowri taking responsibility for the KiVa rotas and for organising the KiVa Kids this week.
Friendship	Cerys Jones	Mrs Mountstevens caught Cerys taking care of another child in the playground.
Perseverance	Kian Lee	Miss Ehrenfellner caught Kian showing excellent perseverance while beautifully completing a shared-write persuasive letter.
Perseverance	Flynn Warlow	Miss Pattinson caught Flynn doing some excellent independent reading during amser dewis.
Service	Harry Cooper	Mrs Brock caught Harry looking after resources and making sure our classroom is tidy.
Friendship	Lily-Anne McGuire	Mrs Candler caught Lily showing kindness towards a friend by helping them set up and organise the painting equipment.
Friendship	Lola Johnson	Mrs Vaughan caught Lola Johnson being particularly kind to a friend and using thoughtful words to make them feel better.
Service	Eryn Howlett	Mrs Hopkinson caught Eryn looking after our classroom and helping to organise resources for her classmates.
Perseverance	Aleah Harding	Mrs Phillips caught Aleah continuing with a task until she had got it right.
Perseverance	Olivia Williams	Mrs Goodridge caught Olivia asking questions and working hard with her maths until she understood
Creativity	Noah Winn	Mrs Hayward and Miss Bowen caught Noah creating an impressive pyramid structure in topic this week.
Service	Heidi Witts	Mrs Evans caught Heidi Witts helping in the classroom.
Friendship	Faith Evans	Mrs Littlejohns caught Faith Evans helping another child out when they had a nose-bleed.
Teamwork	Ruby Dawes, Lola Philips & Nile Black	Miss Scale caught Ruby, Lola and Nile working together as a team to build an Egyptian pyramid
Compassion	Kane Holden	Mrs Evans caught Kane showing compassion and empathy when he supported his upset friend with his work, by encouraging him.
Perseverance	George Coates Johnson	Miss Ralph caught George giving 100 % to every rehearsal for Macbeth.
Courage	Alyssa Hartley	Mr Dyer caught Alyssa showing courage to help present our assembly about how we can show Respect.

GETTING IT RIGHT...

MERIT AWARD – Llongyfarchiadau, congratulations to our Merit Winners this week:		
Poppit Sands (Nursery)	Freya Phillips	For trying her best and being a good friend to everyone.
Tenby (Reception)	Harper Llewellyn	For sharing her amazing ideas with her group, when innovating the story of The Little Red Hen.
Newgale (Reception)	Seren Allerton	For always being so helpful during tidy up time and remembering our class rules.
Parrog (Year 1)	Fleur Doncaster	For innovating the story Lost and Found and creating her own story map.
Nolton (Year 1)	Leo Curcio	For his excellent contribution to our discussion about the different parts of a penguin and thinking carefully what the parts are for.
Druidston (Year 2)	Scarlett Gladwell	For independently writing detailed instructions for how to make a potion.
Westdale (Year 2)	Riley Larsen	For settling so well into his new class.
Whitesands (N to Yr 2)	Kenny Smith	For be able to read and match 16 words to label the parts of the body.
Little Haven (N to Yr 2)	Deniz Azisov	For improving his concentration and listening skills leading to an improvement in the work that he has produced this week.
Broad Haven (Yr 3 to 6)	Kiah Picton	For working extremely hard in all areas of school life and for making every effort to contribute in lessons by sharing her thoughts and ideas.
Marloes (Year 3 to 6)	Jaxon Bond	For challenging himself with his writing by using interesting sentences and descriptive words independently.
Pwllgwaelod (Year 3)	Seren Chapman	For tackling her work in a calm and sensible manner this week.
Coppet Hall (Year 3)	Jayden Shipley	For creating a great fact file about the Egyptian pyramids.
Abereiddi (Year 3)	Calleigh Parker	For always working hard and being a delight to teach!
Trefdraeth (Year 4)	Macen Williams	For working really well in maths this work
Swanlake Bay (Year 4)	Chloe Smith	For working so hard when searching for specific information from a text when writing about the Pyramids.
Amroth (Year 5)	Lola Okell	For always having a warm smile on her face and offering to lend a helping hand.
Barafundle (Year 5)	Evie-Marie Clarke	For generating some fantastic ideas when innovating our model text this week.
Skrinkle Haven (Year 6)	Eli Jenkins	For taking direction extremely well during Shakespeare rehearsals.
Sandy Haven (Year 6)	Leona Jacob	For showing fantastic commitment and enthusiasm to her work and being supportive and friendly to others around the school.

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HOT CHOCOLATE WITH THE HEAD TEACHER			
CONGRATULATIONS AND THANK YOU TO THE FOLLOWING:			
Poppit Sands (Nursery)	Ayden Matthews	Pwllgwaelod (Year 3)	Gracie Hughes
Tenby (Reception)	Poppy Richards	Coppet Hall (Year 3)	Archie Harrison-Bevan
Newgale (Reception)	Nate Picton	Abereiddi (Year 3)	Lilly-Ann Salter
Parrog (Year 1)	Gethin Hatch	Trefdraeth (Year 4)	Gethin Clarke
Nolton (Year 1)	Sophia Lewis	Swanlake Bay (Year 4)	Liam-Jay Wray
Druidston (Year 2)	Isaac Harris	Amroth (Year 5)	Oliver Marshall
Westdale (Year 2)	Poppy Busby	Barafundle (Year 5)	Harry Steele
Whitesands (N to Yr 2)	Caiden Harding	Skrinkle Haven (Year 6)	Gemma Sandy
Little Haven (N to Yr 2)	Scarlett Edwards Rattle	Sandy Haven (Year 6)	Lucia Manche
Broad Haven (Yr 3 to 6)	Christopher Maguire	Marloes (Yr 3 to 6)	Mason White

WEEK ENDING 27TH September

CAUGHT MOMENTS – Diolch a da iawn to these children who were 'caught' living Gelliswick's values:		
Perseverance	Lyra-Rose Wray	Miss Johnson caught Lyra-Rose persevering with a maths problem until she found the correct answer.
Friendship	Bartosz Pawlikowski	Mrs Davies caught Bartosz Pawlikowski helping a friend with their coat at playtime.
Friendship	Faith Smith	Mr Stow caught Faith Smith helping a friend who was stuck on a tricky maths problem.
Respect	Alanna MacDonald	Mrs Davies caught Alanna MacDonald being polite and showing lovely manners.
Friendship	Katie Barker-Sharp	For being kind and caring when one of her friends was upset.
Teamwork	Jacob Aldred and Macen Williams	Miss Scale caught Jacob and Macen working incredibly well together to build a pyramid using spaghetti and marshmallows.
Friendship	Olivia Hounsome	Mrs Mountstevens caught Olivia playing with and taking care of a new pupil in her class.
Spirituality	Maisy Jenkins	Miss Ehrenfellner caught Maisy Jenkins writing a very thoughtful prayer expressing thanks to God for what we have that is good in our lives.
Service	Maddison and Chloe	Mrs Goodridge caught Maddison and Chloe organising the reading books for their classmates.
Compassion	Riley Lydon	Mrs Evans caught Riley Lydon showing thoughtfulness and concern over another child who was hurt at playtime.
Service	Lacey Seabourne	Mrs Evans caught Lacey sorting the mixed up maths resources.
Teamwork	Marloes Class	Miss Council caught her class showing teamwork throughout their activity to help count 3750 Ironman bottles and put them in bags of 50.
Friendship	Ava Lewis	Mrs Blair caught Ava Lewis helping friends to complete their activity without adult help.

Service	Lucy Smith	Mrs Reynolds caught Lucy Smith taking her role as a KiVa kid responsibly and effectively.
Friendship	Lily-Ann Salter	Mrs Hayward caught Lilly-Ann helping out pupils in class who were finding literacy difficult.
Responsibility	Thomas Davies	Miss Ralph caught Thomas, always on hand to help with props and costumes without being asked.
Friendship	Harry Steele	Mrs Hopkinson caught Harry Steele being a kind friend to others in the classroom.
Service	Bentley Murray-Forrest	Mrs Littlejohns caught Bentley getting our classroom ready for learning every morning.
Teamwork	Charlie Gustar and Riley Larsen	Mrs Candler caught the both boys working together on a reading task, helping each other along the way.

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Poppit Sands (Nursery)	Mia Hadley	For always helping others.
Tenby (Reception)	Matilda Sturley	For persevering with her number formation until she formed them correctly.
Newgale (Reception)	Leo Crane	For coming into school with a huge smile on his face every day and always trying his best.
Parrog (Year 1)	Jason De Matos	For inventing his own story in the style of Lost and Found, confidently telling it whilst being recorded on an ipad.
Nolton (Year 1)	Freddie Gough	For his innovation of our story and retelling his story confidently.
Druidston (Year 2)	Micky Macrury	For always having a positive attitude towards his learning and challenging himself.
Westdale	Charlie Gustar	For his excellent effort with his storytelling of 'George's Adventure.'
Whitesands (N to Yr 2)	Ryan Picton-Davies	For working really hard when matching pictures and objects.
Little Haven (N to Yr 2)	Ethan Brown	For excellent recall of our model text, "Lost and Found" and for a detailed story map.
Broad Haven (Yr 3 to 6)	Lexie Evans	For persevering with all her learning this week and for not giving up when it is tricky.
Marloes (Year 3 to 6)	Ffion Thomas	For displaying perseverance, enthusiasm, organisation, and sheer determination and the most positive attitude possible to get 3750 bottles counted and bagged up to be distributed to groups in Pembrokeshire.
Pwllgwaelod (Year 3)	Riley Mason	For showing great determination and perseverance when adding and subtracting 1, 10 and 100 to/from difficult large numbers.
Coppet Hall (Year 3)	Bobby Staples	For persevering and remaining on task this week.
Abereiddi (Year 3)	Amelia Coe	For working consistently hard in class and always offering a helping held.

Trefdraeth (Year 4)	Imogen Defrancesco	For doing an excellent job at racing against the clock to retell our portal story.
Swanlake Bay (Year 4)	Alfie Witts	For sharing his knowledge of mummification, which was outstanding.
Amroth (Year 5)	Laila Lewis	Always participating excellently in class discussions.
Barafundle (Year 5)	Rossi Ninnis	Giving his all during lessons and always trying to best to produce work of a high standard.
Skrinkle Haven (Year 6)	Jack Page	For having a positive, focused and settled attitude this week.
Sandy Haven (Year 6)	Zoey Morley	For having lovely ideas in her portal story work and choosing some great adjectives.

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Tenby (Reception)	Finley James	Coppet Hall (Year 3)	Ruby Jenkins
Newgale (Reception)	Osian Saunders	Abereiddi (Year 3)	Alanna Macdonald
Parrog (Year 1)	Indie Walden	Trefdraeth (Year 4)	Paige Majewski
Nolton (Year 1)	Poppy Davies	Swanlake Bay (Year 4)	Jaymee-Leigh Black
Druidston (Year 2)	Qiana Morgan-James	Amroth (Year 5)	Morgan Britton
Westdale (Year 2)	Harvey Clayton	Barafundle (Year 5)	Lewys Tansey
Whitesands (N to Yr 2)	David Holt	Skrinkle Haven (Year 6)	Leon Morris
Broad Haven (Yr 3 to 6)	Kiah Picton	Sandy Haven (Year 6)	Harrison Feneck-Dean
		Marloes (Yr 3 to 6)	Ruth Holt

News this week:



Children from Marloes class attended the Pembrokeshire Recycling Centre with Mark Bond, Eco Champion Coordinator. Read below to see what he wrote about their visit on the 'Pembrokeshire Eco Champions' Facebook page:

'Feeling very proud and accomplished today with some of my favourite Eco Champions from Gelliswick School. An incredible 3,750 Ironman water bottles saved, sorted, bagged and soon to be shared out among 74 local clubs, groups, teams, choirs and schools in the next few days. Miss Council's class are superstars and they get the job done. It was

such a fantastic day, everyone worked so hard and the teamwork was very impressive. Polite, positive and attentive children.....everything we could wish for on a day like this.'

Well done everyone in Marloes class. We are very proud of you!