

December 2024

Dear All,

As we come to the end of another term, once again, we have a lot of good news and stories to share with you. We have increased our capacity at our main site in Stephenson Street by creating an additional Key Stage 3 class, with Mr Prewett leading the new form. We have also appointed three new permanent members of staff this year, two teachers (Mr Sully and Mr Pemberton) and one teaching assistant (Mr Zavaglia). Mr Sully has been based in the Well-being Hub since joining us this term and Mr Pemberton will be starting in the new year. All three bring a wealth of skills and experience to our team and we wish them a very warm welcome.

Pupils have been very busy and achieved so much this term. Our primary pupils entered a curling competition in Cwmbran and came second, even though it was their first time!

Key Stage 4 pupils have been working on their knowledge of Wales and Welsh mythology, learning about different parts of our beautiful country, our history and saints.

Each week pupils from different sites work with County in the Community. This has enabled some of our older pupils to work with our youngest pupils to support and mentor them through sport and healthy living.

We held our first whole school parent/carer meetings this term using an online system, although phone calls or in-person meetings were also offered. We were delighted by your response and we hope you continue to join us for these very important reviews about our young people.

Finally, we would like to wish you a very happy holiday and we look forward to seeing you all in the new year.

Amanda Veater - Centre Manager

Reminders

Attendance: It is so important for pupils to attend regularly. Please remember to let us know if your child cannot attend for any reason using the phone number or email address below:

Tel. 01633 235354

Email.

bridge.achievementcentre@newportschools.wales

Uniform: Please ensure your son/daughter attends in full school uniform except on Fridays. Here's the link to purchase school tops:

<https://myclothing.com/collections/bridge-achievement-centre-21291>

Wellbeing

Don't forget, if you or your child are struggling with mental or emotional wellbeing, there are a number of ways we can help: Lorna (school based counselling) attends our Wellbeing Hub each Wednesday and Anne Wright (MIND) visits all sites and provisions three days a week. We can also make referrals for other types of support. Please ask.

Looking ahead

**New term starts:
Monday 6 January**

Favourite moments

