

# WALES PRIMARY FRIDAY 4TH OCTOBER 2024



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## AWARD WINNING EFFORTS ONCE AGAIN

### ECO SCHOOLS

*'We are very pleased to tell you that you and your Eco-Committee at Wales Primary School have been successful in meeting the requirements for the Eco-Schools Green Flag Award.'*



With the support from all children and staff across the school the Eco committee have achieved an accreditation due to excellent commitment to both the programme and the eco-cause. They hope to continue the hard work this year with the appointment of Litter Pick monitors and a new gardening club, Plant Wales– Spring bulbs and work with Energy Heroes.

**ENERGY**  
Heroes



#### DATES FOR THE DIARY

##### OCTOBER

Wednesday 2nd 5pm in the school hall FS2 and Y1 Parents early reading and phonics workshop

Tuesday 8th Flu Vaccine administration

Thursday 10th Wear Yellow day for Mental Health Week

Thursday 10th Harvest Festival at St Johns church 9:20am

##### OCTOBER HALF TERM BREAK

Monday 28th October to Friday 1st November

##### NOVEMBER

Monday 4th Y6 Residential to Robinwood

Monday 11th Remembrance service at St Johns church 9:20am

Monday 11th– 15th Anti– Bullying week



## FS2 HAVE BEEN BUSY AGAIN HARVESTING THE CORN AND BEANS FROM THE GARDEN. GREAT TEAMWORK!



*“The school is our children; our children make the school”*

### HARVEST FESTIVAL

The Harvest festival takes place in St Johns church on Thursday 10th October at 9:20am.

All family members are welcome to join this service.

Children throughout school will share their learning about harvest and sing songs.

There will be a collection for the Archer Project in church.

The Archer Project is a charity that supports vulnerable and homeless people in Sheffield.

Items for collection include:

Toiletries

Gloves, socks, hats

Tinned and dried food

Parents and/or children can take them to church on the morning of the service.



## Y6 CRUCIAL CREW

Crucial Crew is an educational programme that is free for all year six students in South Yorkshire. It is delivered at the Lifewise Centre in Rotherham where there is a film-set environment featuring locations including a court room, supermarket and street scene. Students take part in a variety of interactive scenarios, covering topics from road safety and anti-social behaviour to child sexual exploitation.





Do you have a child or young person with special educational need or disability who is up to the age of 25?

If so, the SEND Local Offer can provide you and your family with the right information, advice and support about services available which are available for your child or young person.

<https://www.rotherhamsendlocaloffer.org.uk/>



Rotherham Parent Carers Forum is a registered charity run by and for families of children and young people (aged 0-25) who have Special Educational Needs and/or Disabilities (SEND).

They offer advice and support to parents and also run a range of events throughout the year for young people with SEND and their siblings.

You can find more information at <https://www.rpcf.co.uk/>

Or follow their Facebook page for upcoming events

## MESSAGE FROM THE PTFA

We are kicking our fundraising off gently, as you can now raise money for school just by shopping at Asda!

Download the Asda rewards app, go to cash pots and select Wales Primary School as your chosen school - the school postcode is S26 5QG

Each time you scan the rewards app the school's cash pot will grow. You don't lose out on your own cash pot either!

We know some of you have already spotted this and signed up, Superstars thank you.

Please spread the word to family and friends.

Thank you for your continued support

### Shop with Asda?

Raise £1 plus 0.5% of every shop for the school FREE!

Easy as 1, 2, 3...

- 1 Open your Asda rewards app
- 2 Tap 'Cashpot for Schools'
- 3 Search for and select 'Wales Primary School'



PTFA Fundraising events diary to follow shortly.

Please look out for the events posted on the school display board located on the playground.



THANK YOU TO ALL WHO HELPED RAISE £102 FOR MACMILLAN CANCER SUPPORT

## SCHOOL POLICY

If you are unsure of the policy and procedures relating to any curriculum subject and the management of Wales Primary please view the documents on the school website:

[www.walesprimary.co.uk](http://www.walesprimary.co.uk)

You will also find information regarding how to support your child with their learning on their class webpage via the school website. There you will find information about the 'theme' for the half term, particular subjects they are concentrating on and homework expectations.

Online safety is a particular concern in all school settings. You can view further information about how to use the internet safely at home on the following websites:

[www.beinternetawesome.com](http://www.beinternetawesome.com)

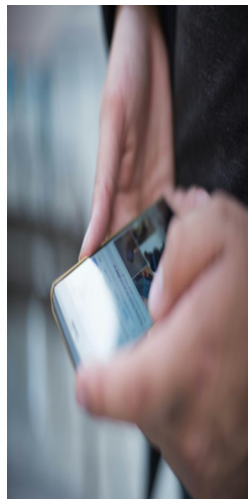


# Online Safety



Wizz is a free social networking app that enables users to chat live online with strangers from around the world and exchange gifs, pictures, and videos. It is intended to be a place to make online friends however it works similarly to a dating app, where you are presented with other people's profiles and can choose to either swipe them away or swipe to start a conversation.

You must be 16 years or older to have a profile on Wizz and it includes age verification that is meant to vet your entered date of birth against a photo you supply of your face however it does allow younger users to create an account and the verification process is easy to get around.



## What are the risks?

Once on the app, young people are able to mix with adults and can be connected if they accept each others' friend requests. Harmful content can easily be found and users can also expect to see content including swearing, sexual content, violence, drug/substance content, and much more either on others' profiles or in chat conversations.

The whole point of Wizz is chatting with strangers and, without a guarantee of age verification and chat moderation, catfishing, grooming, and online sexual abuse are all a possibility.

## Talk about it

- Talk to young people about the potential risks and dangers of sharing personal information on Wizz and other social media app
- Encourage them to look at their privacy settings to see who can see what they're sharing
- Remind them that not everyone is who they say they are online and the dangers of talking to strangers, just as you would in the real world

## Find more information on how to address online safety with young people:

<https://www.nspcc.org.uk/keeping-children-safe/online-safety/social-media/chat-apps/>

<https://www.thinkuknow.co.uk/parents/Concerned-about-your-child/Online-contact-and-staying-safe/>

<https://saferinternet.org.uk/guide-and-resource/have-a-conversation>

## WEAR SOMETHING YELLOW DAY THURSDAY 10TH OCTOBER 2024

Every year, thousands of schools, companies and communities come together to make World Mental Health Day that little bit brighter by wearing something yellow and donating to YoungMinds.

Donations can be made on our JustGiving page:

[www.justgiving.com/page/wales-primary-1727345291186](http://www.justgiving.com/page/wales-primary-1727345291186)

By wearing yellow and donating what you can this October, we can show unwavering support to those in need. Every donation helps to create vital mental health resources, campaign for local support hubs and run essential Parents Helpline.

For more information about Young Minds, please visit:

<https://www.youngminds.org.uk/>

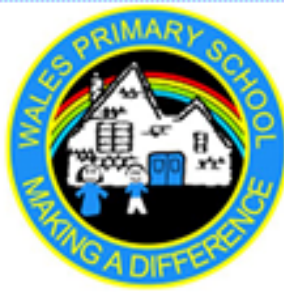


## ATTENDANCE AWARD



Well done Year 4 & Year 3!

	23/09/ - 27/09	30/09-04/10
FS2	98.4%	95.9%
Y1	91%	88.7%
Y2	93.1%	95.5%
Y3	90.3%	99.5%
Y4	99.3%	99.1%
Y5	91.6%	95.9%
Y6	96.1%	94.9%



SCIENCE • TECHNOLOGY • ENGINEERING + ARTS • MATHEMATICS

STEAM is a educational approach that allows our children to use **science**, **technology**, **engineering**, the arts and **maths** as an access point to their learning.

We would like our children to experience as many first hand experiences of STEAM in the real world as possible.



If you have experience in any of the five areas of STEAM that you would be willing to share with our children either in an assembly, classroom or in small group workshops please contact Mrs Long-Melton at [clong-melton@walesprimary.co.uk](mailto:clong-melton@walesprimary.co.uk) or let your child's class teacher know because we would love to learn from you.