



Wonderful Wales and Beyond



Dosbarth Marloes

Spring Term 2021

Brilliant Beginning

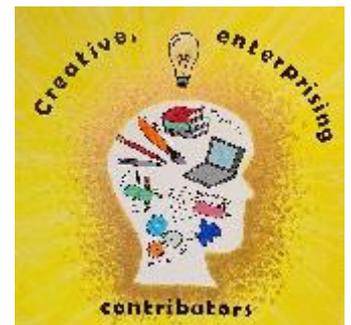
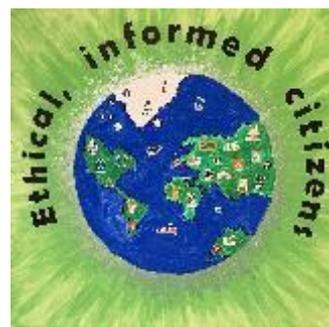
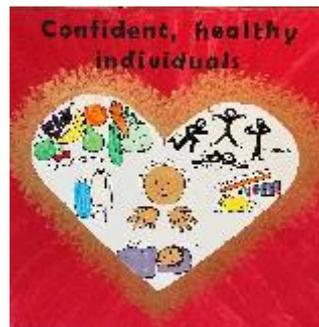
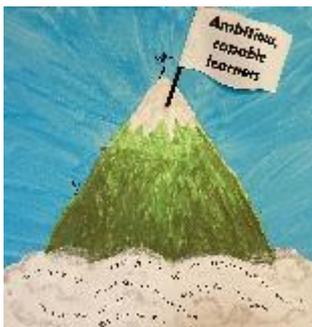
Strange happenings in Neyland Community School! What are the teachers doing – dancing, drawing, and is that a dragon? What on earth could we be doing this term? Look for clues and let us know! ☺

Sparkling Starter

Did you guess? To launch our theme we will begin with Wonderful Wales, listen to the story of the Welsh Flag and have a week full of dragon 'tails'! We will use our imaginations to create pet dragons, playdough models and end the week with a daring dragon parade! Get ready for a 'roarsome' week! ☺

Fabulous Finish

To celebrate all we have learned, we will join together to share stories, sing songs and proudly display our works of art – there may even be dressing up and dancing! We shall wait and see – one thing is for sure, it will be Wonderful FUN!☺



The Four Purposes;

Ambitious Capable Learners

- The children can communicate effectively in different forms and settings, using both Welsh and English.
- Use number effectively in different contexts.

Confident, Healthy Individuals

The children are working on building their mental and emotional well-being by developing confidence, resilience and empathy. The children can form positive relationships based upon trust and mutual respect- face and overcome challenge.

Ethical, Informed Citizens

Children will have the opportunity to engage with contemporary issues based upon their knowledge and values. Children can understand and consider the impact of their actions when making choices and acting.

Creative, Enterprising Contributors

Children will learn to express ideas and emotions through different media. Children can take measured risks.

Rights Respecting Schools

As a Right's Respecting School we will consider the following rights in this topic;

Article 12: Every child has a right to have their voices heard.

Article 24: Children have the right to good quality health care, to clean water, nutritious food and a clean environment.

Article 31: Every child has the right to relax, play and take part in a wide range of cultural and artistic activities.

Eco schools

We will be using our Fabulous Fridays to develop our understanding about our outdoor environment.

This will include: Foraging, exploring our school grounds, looking after our growing spaces and respecting our environment.

Pupil led Learning:

After the super sparkly starter day, the children had some questions they would like to find answers to. These included learning about where Wales is and what other countries make up Great Britain. What are the capital cities of these countries? The flags and emblems of Wales and the other countries of the UK. They also said they would like to find out more about castles.

Languages, Literacy and Communication:

As Linguists we will develop our speaking and listening skills through games and discussions about our theme, trying hard to take turns to talk and listen to others. We will continue with daily phonics sessions and activities on letters, sounds and reading skills. We will share many exciting stories, myths and legends, factual books and poems, taking us on amazing adventures and learning fascinating facts and legends all about Wales and beyond! We will also enjoy developing our writing skills through talk for writing and the Penpals scheme. We will be covering lots of fine and gross motor activities both indoors and out.

Mathematics and Numeracy:

As Mathematicians we will become secure using numbers to 20 in our daily Maths sessions (although we will count much further!). We will use a wide range of resources and activities, indoors and out, to help us count, order, group, compare, add and subtract, of place value. We will be measuring and comparing length, weight and capacity. We will also use our Maths skills in our theme work, including looking at symmetry in flags and continuing to be aware that we often need to count, compare and so on in other areas of school life.

Expressive Arts:

As Artists we will explore and experiment with a variety of creative techniques and materials creating collages and models linked to this term's theme.

We will create a class dragon, using some recyclable materials, which will also facilitate the exploration of music and dance. We will be exploring and creating in the style of the Welsh artist Ruth Jen Evans, particularly looking at her 'Welsh ladies'. We will talk about what we create, listening to others views and thinking how we can make our work even better.

Health & Wellbeing:

Thinking about our wellbeing we will continue to develop our understanding of how important it is to keep fit and healthy through a healthy diet and carrying out regular exercise. We will take part in dance and games sessions where we will also start to learn appropriate skills to help us to play team games. We will have weekly Jigsaw sessions where we will develop our empathy skills and understand how our actions can affect others. We will also aim to create a warm and caring environment in our classroom by using kind hands and positive words in our work and play.

Humanities:

Thinking about the World we will begin to recognise the distinct physical features of places, environments and landscapes in our locality, in Wales and in the rest of the United Kingdom, particularly Scotland, where we will make connections with a Scottish Primary School to further our exploration and looking at similarities and differences in our locality and theirs.

Science and Technology:

As Scientists we will find, observe and describe ways in which materials change when they are mixed together and when heat is applied while making some traditional Welsh recipes, making observations and discussing our thoughts and ideas. We will develop our designing and making skills using a variety of materials including recyclable materials.