

Month of the Military Child Mis y Plentyn Milwrol

April/Ebrill | #MotMCCymru

## **MONTHLY SCHOOL BULLETIN – APRIL 2023**

# **Regional School Liaison Officer for West Wales**

"Month of the Military Child is here! We recently sent out goodie bags, to all schools in Wales with Service children, including resources to give you some ideas and inspiration of how to celebrate #MotMCCymru. This month we will see lots of schools celebrating their Service children in a variety of ways, from celebration assemblies to fun sports days with an Armed Forces theme. Friday 28th April is the day to 'Purple up'! Decorate your school with purple dandelion themed artwork, wear purple to school and raise money for an Armed Forces charity. Please keep me informed of the activities you have planned so I can come and join you

when possible. Remember to take lots of pictures to share with us, which we can use in SSCE Cymru media for all to see." Emma, Emma.Reeves@pembrokeshire.gov.uk

#### **Participation Lead Officer**

"April, Month of the Military Child, always makes me reflect on our own experiences as a Service family and how lucky we've been with most of the schools our two children have attended. As you can imagine moving around a lot with the Army, we've experienced a fair few schools over the years and now their Dad is transitioning out of the Army, after 25 years' service, I am extremely grateful that we've found some schools and staff who have understood our way of life and encouraged our children to celebrate who they are. So, if your school is thinking about doing something to recognise your Service children this month, please see links below for some more inspiration and know that a Service parent somewhere will be thankful that you did." Jo, Joanna.wolfe@wlga.gov.uk

### ARMED FORCES FRIENDLY SCHOOLS



Month of the Military Child is a great time for schools to work towards achieving their Armed Forces Friendly Schools Cymru status!

Further info. here

#### **EVENTS & TRAINING IN APRIL**

19th: USW Creative Forces Day

28th: 'Purple up' day

24th-28th: SSCE Cymru CPD

Any day: Little Troopers virtual workshop

Further info. here

# #MotMCCymru RESOURCES

# SSCE Cymru #MotMCCymru resources include:

- Ideas for schools
- Ideas to share with families
- Banner and square images
  - Dandelion poem
    - Events
- Videos of past events/activities
  - Images
  - Case study!

Available here



#### Resources include:

- At home activities
- At school activities
- Gift for Service children
  - Online events!

Available here



'Friends near and far' creative competition:

Open 1<sup>st</sup> - 30<sup>th</sup> April!

Further info. here

