

Ysgol y Llan  
Friday 12<sup>th</sup> April 2019

*Growing & Learning Together Through Faith, Friends and Fun  
Tyfu a Dysgu Gyda'n Gilydd trwy Ffydd, Ffrindiau a Hwyl*

# Newyddion Ysgol



## School's out for Easter!

A wonderful term finished off with a very exciting Easter Bingo. Thank you so much for coming along and supporting our school.



This term has been extremely long yet we have managed to fit in an awful lot. Thank you to the children and staff for working so hard throughout.

We hope everyone can relax over the Easter holidays and get some much needed rest before we come back on Monday 29<sup>th</sup> April.

At the beginning of next term, you will receive 'Topic Newsletters' from each class explaining what your child will be exploring during their topic. The topic titles include:

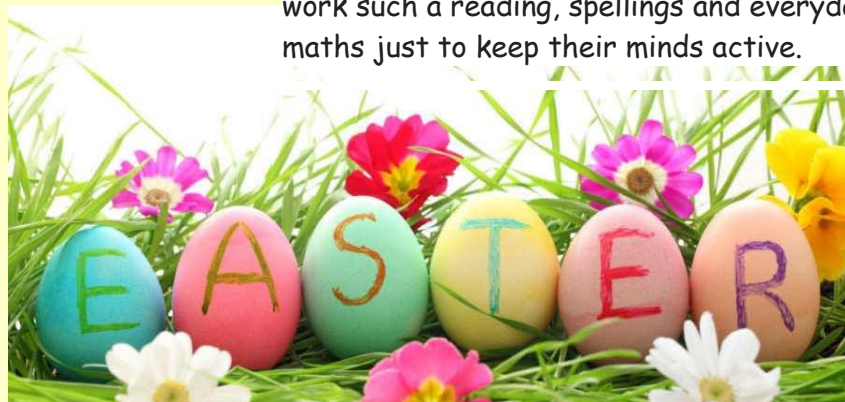
- Dosbarth 1 - Minibeasts
- Dosbarth 2 - Wriggle and Crawl
- Dosbarth 3 - Road Trip USA
- Dosbarth 4 - Careers

## Parent's Evening

Parent's evening took place on Wednesday 10<sup>th</sup> April 2019. There were lots of smiling faces so I'm sure you all had a positive report. Please feel free to approach the class teacher or school office if you are unsure about anything that your children are doing in school - we're here to help!

If you were unable to attend the evening, please contact your class teacher to arrange another convenient time to discuss your child's progress. It is vitally important that you know how they are progressing and how you can support them at home - every little helps!

The Easter holidays are upon us but we hope that children will continue to do a little bit of work such a reading, spellings and everyday maths just to keep their minds active.



## Attendance

2015/16 attendance	2016/17 attendance	2017/18 attendance	Current attendance	Class 1 %	Class 2 %	Class 3 %	Class 4 %
94.6	95.7	96.9	96.8	97.8	96.2	97.4	95.7

Attendance across school continues to be better than previous years and we thank you for ensuring that your children's attendance is positive - every day in school counts and your children will benefit!

## Easter Bingo!

A huge thank you to everyone for supporting our Easter Bingo this term. Whether you donated an Easter egg or if you joined us during the evening, your support was very much appreciated.

It was a well-attended event and everyone had lots of fun during the evening. A huge thank you to the staff and the Criw Cymraeg for organising and running the event this year. Together you raised £387.95 😊.

Pasg Hapus!



## Friends of the School



### EVENTS & SUPPORT

Thank you to everyone who supported the events or activities this term and thank you to the Friends committee and parent support for making these things happen.

The Mother's Day Secret Shop was a fantastic success and raised £468.15 😊. We hope you all had a fantastic Mother's Day.

The Bags2School raised £64.

The Penny Pigs raised a fantastic £126.90 and the winning class with £67.25 was Dosbarth 3. Enjoy your Easter hamper Dosbarth 3 and Miss Roberts.

## Nant BH

Pupils from Years 5 & 6 thoroughly enjoyed a 3 day residential visit to Nant BH recently. Pupils and staff overcame their fears and tackled some amazing adventurous activities, supporting one another throughout the entire experience.

The children were exemplary during the visit and Nant BH staff were very complementary of their behaviour, enthusiasm, good manners and attitude.

Thank you to all of the children who came on the trip and made it an enjoyable experience. Also, thanks to Mr Williams, Miss Larkin & Miss Mayhew who gave up their own time to accompany the children and I on this trip.





## Netball

Well done to all children who participated in the Rural Schools' Netball Tournament. They were a credit to the school and lots of them played up an age range to compete against older children.

Da iawn pawb. A good day in all, winning two games, drawing two games and losing two games.



## Football

I am extremely proud of the football team. In the Liam Thompson Football Tournament they finished runners up in their group (only on goal difference) and went on to win 1-0 against Ysgol Bro Carmel in their playoff. They also made it through to the last 4 of the Eccelson Cup. Ysgol Gwynedd were overall winners but our team competed extremely well against much bigger schools than ourselves - losing one and winning one. Finally, in the John McBrien 5 aside tournament on 11/4/19, Whitford were semi-finalists, drawing the game 1-1 and eventually going out on penalties.

## Hockey Tournament

Thank you to the children who represented our school in the Rural Schools' Hockey Festival. Excellent representatives and fantastic team work on show. Mr Williams was very proud of you all!

We drew 0-0, won 3-0 over 2 games and finished top of the group.

Da iawn pawb!

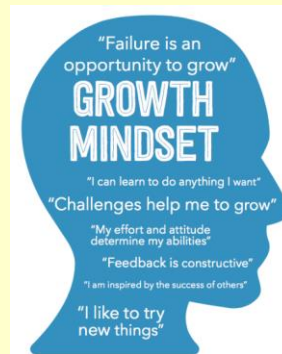


# #TeamWhitford



## Growth Mindset Week

Our Growth Mindset week was a huge success. Following on from a Shirley Clarke initiative that our school has been involved in, we decided that we wanted to develop more of a growth mindset and positive attitude across the school. During the week beginning 4/3/19, the whole school took part in many activities throughout the week, concluding with an assembly and parent workshop led by the Year 5 & 6 pupils. Thank you to Miss Roberts & Mr Williams for organising this fantastic week.



## Pod Siarad & Welsh Radio

Our Criw Cymraeg are currently working with Owain from the Urdd on a Welsh radio station. The outdoor classroom is currently being utilised as the Pod Siarad and the children are loving it!!



## Acorn Antics

Our school was fortunate enough to take part in planting some 1000 oak trees at Pool Park woodland after we had initially helped collect the acorns as part of the Acorn Antics project back in 2016/17 campaign. The children, along with Miss Roberts, thoroughly enjoyed the day and even had a special guest in Richard Parks on the day who was there to support Wales Outdoor Learning Week.





## Bikeability Course

Lots of our Year 6, 5 and 4 pupils had the opportunity to gain their Bike-ability Level 1 badge with some more experienced riders gaining the Level 2 badge.

The instructors were very impressed with the skills on display and the level of maturity.

Well done to all involved and keep on persevering to improve even further.



## Great News - Rotary Club Young Writers Competition

One of our pupils has done extremely well this year in the Rotary Club Young Writers competition. Not only was he the winner from our local schools, but his entry has been judged as the best in the Rotary District (there are 57 clubs in the district, which cover North Wales, West Cheshire, the Wirral and all of Merseyside).

His entry now goes forwards to National judging, which is 12 Rotary Districts covering all the UK and Ireland.

Pob Iwcl!



## Aura Library Van

The library van has been visiting our school for several weeks now on a Wednesday morning. If you have any library books at home, please ensure that they are returned to school ready for the next visit - this should be the first Wednesday back after the Easter holidays.



## New Term, New Menu 😊

Please remember that we will be following a new menu next term.

MENUS: APRIL - OCTOBER 2019				
WEEKS (COMMENCING 25TH APRIL, 20TH MAY, 13TH JUNE, 27TH JULY, 16TH SEPTEMBER & 31TH OCTOBER 2019)				
<b>MONDAY</b> PIZZA TUNA PASTA BAKE SAUTE POTATOES SWEETCORN & COLESLAW PEAS & ICE CREAM	<b>TUESDAY</b> MEATBALL IN TOMATO SAUCE VEGETABLE FAJITA WRAP PASTAHERBY ROAST BROCCOLI FRUIT SPOUGE	<b>WEDNESDAY</b> ROAST OF THE DAY SOUP & HALF BAGUETTE ROAST & MASH SEASONAL VEGETABLES FRUIT SHORTBREAD BISCUIT	<b>THURSDAY</b> LASAGNE FISHCAKE POTATO WEDGES PEAS & SWEETCORN CHOCOLATE CAKE & CHOCOLATE SAUCE	<b>FRIDAY</b> CHICKEN NUGGETS ½ PANINI CHIPS VEGETABLE STICKS COOKS FRUIT CUP CAKE
WEEKS (COMMENCING 6TH MAY, 3RD JUNE, 24TH JUNE, 2ND SEPTEMBER, 23RD SEPTEMBER & 14TH OCTOBER 2019)				
<b>MONDAY</b> BOLOGNAISE QUORN KEEMA CURRY PASTA/RICE SUMMER FRUIT CRUMBLE	<b>TUESDAY</b> BREAKFAST WRAP VEGETABLE PIZZA POCKETS HASH BROWN BAKED BEANS FRUIT SPONGE & CUSTARD	<b>WEDNESDAY</b> ROAST OF THE DAY TOMATO & PASTA BAKE ROAST & MASH SEASONAL VEGETABLES FRUIT FLAPJACK	<b>THURSDAY</b> FISH FILLET MEAT FREE COTTAGE PIE POTATO WEDGES SWEETCORN FRESH FRUIT & YOGHURT	<b>FRIDAY</b> BEEF BURGER VEGGIE FINGER WRAP CHIPS VEGETABLE STICKS COOKS BAKED BISCUIT
WEEKS (COMMENCING 13TH MAY, 10TH JUNE, 1ST JULY, 9TH SEPTEMBER, 30TH SEPTEMBER & 21ST OCTOBER 2019)				
<b>MONDAY</b> FISH FINGERS VEGETABLE TORTILLA STACK HERBY DICED POTATOES BAKED BEANS BLUEBERRY MUFFIN	<b>TUESDAY</b> ASSORTED FILLED TORTILLA BOAT MAC 'N' CHEESE POTATO WEDGES MIXED SALAD & COLESLAW FRUIT JELLY & ICE CREAM	<b>WEDNESDAY</b> ROAST OF THE DAY SUMMER QUICHE ROAST & MASH SEASONAL VEGETABLES CHOCOLATE BROWNIE	<b>THURSDAY</b> SAUSAGE/VEGETABLE SAUSAGE & YORKSHIRE PUDDING FREE RANGE CHEESE OMELETTE CHEF'S POTATO CHOICE CARROTS & PEAS ETON MESS	<b>FRIDAY</b> CHICKEN BURGER DELI WRAP CHIPS VEGETABLE STICKS ORANGE & OAT BISCUIT
AVAILABLE 9AM-7: JACKET POTATOES, PASTA OR NOODLE POTS, SELECTION OF SANDWICHES, FRESH FRUIT & YOGHURT & SALAD BAR.				

## Entry Sign



You may have noticed that we now use an electronic signing in system for staff, pupils and visitors to school.

Any children arriving after 8.55 am will require parents to sign them in using the system.

This is a polite reminder that pupils should therefore be in school ready to start the school day at 8.55 am.

## INSET days

Our INSET days for the next academic year have not yet been set.

However, due to increased attendance over the last couple of years and the new curriculum on the horizon, we will be reverting back to spreading training days out over the year. This will help us to work collaboratively with other local schools in preparation for the new curriculum.

## Church News & Christian Values

### St Mary's and St Bueno's Church

◦ Family Service at 9.30am on the first Sunday of every month. Everyone welcome!

### School

◦ Our Christian Value next term is '[Friendship](#)'. Children will explore this value during collective worship and daily school life.

### Messy Church

◦ Join in the family fun in the school hall every second Saturday of the month, 10.00am – 12.00pm.

### Prayers for Confirmation

◦ Our prayers, thoughts and best wishes are with those children taking part in Confirmation over the Easter holidays. Confirmation will take place at St. Asaph Cathedral on Saturday 20<sup>th</sup> April. Children should arrive at 7pm for a 8pm start (PLEASE NOTE THE CHANGE IN TIME).



## Class Communication

You can follow the work in your child's class by logging into the Class Seesaw App. Please ask the class teacher for details if you are not aware of this as you are definitely missing out!



## Contact or Follow us!

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<https://www.ourschoolsapp.com>

*Thank you for your continued support!*  
*Diolch yn fawr iawn!*  
**Mr. Griffiths**

## Upcoming Events

*Please note – dates may be subject to change*

### Confirmation Service, St Asaph Cathedral

Saturday 20<sup>th</sup> April, 8pm (rehearsal at 7pm)

### First day of term

Monday 29<sup>th</sup> April

### All Star Cricket sessions

Wednesday 1<sup>st</sup> May (Years 1 – 4)

### Water Assembly & Workshop

Thursday 2<sup>nd</sup> May (Years 3 & 4)

### Ruthin Maths Challenge

Friday 3<sup>rd</sup> May

### Class 3 Assembly/Workshop

Friday 3<sup>rd</sup> May

### Welsh National Tests

Tuesday 7<sup>th</sup> – Tuesday 14<sup>th</sup> May

### Flintshire Cross Country Event

Friday 17<sup>th</sup> May

### Tales of Wales III – Pandemonium Theatre

Tuesday 21<sup>st</sup> May (whole School)

### Rural Schools Girls Football Tournament

Thursday 23<sup>rd</sup> May

### Last day of term

Friday 24<sup>th</sup> May

### INSET (NO school for pupils)

Monday 3<sup>rd</sup> June – Friday 7<sup>th</sup> June

### First day of term

Monday 10<sup>th</sup> June

### Athletics Tournament

Friday 14<sup>th</sup> June

### Theatr Clwyd Schools Festival - Dance

Monday 17<sup>th</sup> June, evening performance (Class 3)

### PC Barker – Police Liaison Sessions

Wednesday 19<sup>th</sup> June

### Rural Schools Rounders Festival

Tuesday 25<sup>th</sup> June

### Full Governing Body Meeting

Tuesday 25<sup>th</sup> June

### Rural Schools Multi-sports Festival

Tuesday 9<sup>th</sup> July

### Last day of term

Monday 22<sup>nd</sup> July

