



Ysgol y Llan
Friday 20th July 2018

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



Newyddion Ysgol

Summer Term

It's been a very long summer term and the children have been superb throughout.

We've had many things to celebrate and some things to be sad about - we're blaming the latter on you Mrs Davies!

The heat over the last few weeks has certainly tested the children and staff but everyone has persevered until the very end. We really hope that children and staff can have a good rest over the holidays and return to school feeling refreshed in the new term.

We hope you enjoy a happy, safe and enjoyable summer holiday.

We have tweeted some things to do over the summer months lately. The following link takes you to some Aura activities taking place in the local leisure centres.

<https://aura.wales/wp-content/uploads/2018/07/Aura-Summer-Holiday-Activities-A5-Leaflet ENG WEB.pdf>



Attendance

Excellent news. We have tracked attendance throughout the year and were hopeful that we would meet our target ... and we have exceeded it! Thank you all for your support!

****9 pupils also achieved 100% - brilliant work and keep a look out in the post!****

School target %	Current school attendance	Class 1 %	Class 2 %	Class 3 %	Class 4 %
95	96.7	97.4	96.9	96.3	96.1

Reminders for September

- Pupils need PE kits in school immediately.
- We always start a new term on Week 1 of the school menu.
- HEALTHY fruit and vegetables for snack only. Children can bring in refillable bottles for the water throughout the day.
- Please ensure all payments are made in advance including school meals, breakfast club and after school club.
- Black school shoes must be worn as part of our school uniform.

Sports Day & Summer Fair

Thank you for joining us for our sports day on Monday 2nd July. The sun was shining once again and the children were a credit to you all - once again showing how supportive they are to one another. Da iawn pawb!

Thank you so much for also supporting the Friends of the School committee. You helped raise approximately £1100 at the summer fair - this money will go towards improving digital technology in each classroom, providing either ipads, laptops or touch screens.

Celebrating Success

The children had another busy end of term with sporting events such as athletics, girls' football, rounders and ending with a swimming gala.

In our final week of the term, our pupils were amazing whilst participating in our first swimming gala in a very long time. Team spirit was vibrant, good sportsmanship was evident and perseverance resulted in a fantastic win for the team! Da iawn pawb!

Well done to one of our Year 6 pupils who was successful in the Young MC competition and went on to present at a Flintshire event celebrating Healthy Schools and Sporting Achievements.



Cymraeg Campus

You may know from previous correspondence that Ysgol Llan was a pilot school for this new Welsh initiative.

After such hard work and dedication from Miss Randall, the Criw Cymraeg and all staff, we are happy to announce that we were the first school in Flintshire and Wrexham to be assessed and awarded the Bronze Award for Cymraeg Campus.

There will be an awards ceremony in the new academic year but it is only right to celebrate this with you before our wonderful Year 6 leave school, many of whom supported the Criw Cymraeg and the assessment procedures.



School Trips & Events

We have seen two wonderful class assemblies this term (Class 1 & Class 2).

The children have benefitted from several exciting trips including the Welsh Jambori, Welsh Mountain Zoo, Greenwood Forest Park and Liverpool Museum.

Year 5 also had the opportunity to work alongside Can Sing, other schools within our local cluster, Ysgol Treffynnon and the Welsh National Opera in producing a Flashmob. The project was a huge success and one which we wish to fund again next year through a grant application. The flashmob can be viewed by following this link:

<https://twitter.com/cansingcymru/status/1014151879851433985>



So Long, Farewell ...

Our Year 6 pupils have been amazing this year. They are a fantastic group of children, very supportive of one another and full of talent.

They delivered a lovely Church service full of memories and aspirations, a natural yet outstanding performance and they didn't do too badly at the bowling party either!

Our Year 6 pupils leave on a high note but most of all we hope that they all leave with fond and wonderful memories of their time at Ysgol y Llan. They will always be part of our school family and will always be welcome.

Good luck to all Year 6 pupils as you embark on a new journey in high school. You are all amazing and will succeed. Pob lwc!

Thank you very much for your kind parting gifts of Welsh dictionaries. These will come in very useful and help us to go on and achieve the Cymraeg Campus Silver Award next!



Follow this link to our 'So long, farewell' song.

<http://www.ysgolyllan.co.uk/events.html>



In our final week, we said farewell to a wonderful woman.

Mrs Davies has been a 'building block' at Ysgol y Llan for 28 years. Her hard work and dedication to the school have made her a much-loved member of staff. She had a wonderful send off over her last few weeks in school and this was also celebrated by past colleagues, friends, governors, staff, pupils and the wider community.

Thank you to those parents who contributed to Mrs Davies parting gift. These contributions along with staff contributions went towards buying Mrs Davies a Portmeirion cake stand, cake slice and tray to keep, and a further €200 to spend on holiday when we return in September. We hope that Mrs Davies can keep her away from school so that she can spend it and treat herself.

We wish you the very best for your retirement Mrs Davies. You will forever be in our hearts and have provided us all with so many memories.

Thank you!

September Morning Arrangements

Many children, particularly in Key Stage 2, have expressed an interest in being in school rather than on the playground during the early morning session. In an attempt to suit these older pupils and to alleviate the issue of traffic in corridors when entering the school, we are going to introduce a new system for coming in to school which will hopefully result in a prompt start to class sessions.

1. ALL pupils will enter school through the school hall. Any pupils arriving to school after 8.45am will also go through the school hall rather than the rear gate.
2. From 8.45am, any Key Stage 2 pupils may put their belongings away and enter the classroom. This can be from the hall after 8.45am or directly from the playground. Foundation Phase pupils will remain on the playground as their classrooms are often being prepared for the day ahead.
3. When the school bell sounds, the remaining Key Stage 2 pupils will walk directly to class. Foundation Phase pupils will line up outside their cloakroom doors at the rear of the school.

Classroom Arrangements

The following staff will be involved in each classroom from September 2018:

Class 1	Teacher(s) Support staff	- Mrs Hughes & Miss Bastow. Welcome back Miss Bastow!! 😊 - Mrs E. Davies
Class 2	Teacher(s) Support staff	- Miss Randall & Mr Griffiths - Mrs Graham
Class 3	Teacher Support staff	- Miss Roberts - Mrs Edwards, Mrs Bragg
Class 4	Teacher Support staff	- Mr Williams - Mrs E. Davies

Additional information:

- Nursery children will start school on Monday 10th September
- Miss C. Davies will support ALN and cover PPA (Planning, preparation and assessment) across the school
- For any families with younger siblings, the Playgroup will offering three sessions from September - Monday, Tuesday and Friday
- Weekly Church service will take place on a Tuesday instead of a Wednesday from September

REQUESTS

- All children need to enter the school through the school hall. No pupils or adults should go to the rear gates.
- Please make appointments to see class teachers.
- Please pass morning messages on via Breakfast Club staff (Miss C Davies or Mrs E Davies) unless urgent. If it is an urgent matter, then the Breakfast Club staff will check if the class teacher is available for you. Alternatively, school staff are always visible and available at the end of the school day.

Thank you Mrs Morgan!

We wish to say thank you to Mrs Morgan who has covered maternity cover all year as well as various other supply positions in school. She has been very much a part of the team and we wish her the very best of luck for the future.

Best wishes from everyone at Ysgol y Llan 😊



Please ensure that the school office has all up-to-date contact numbers and EMAILS.

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 in the first half term is 'Generosity'. Children will be exploring this value during collective worship and daily life.



Messy Church

◦ Join in the family fun in the school hall every second Saturday of the month. Please contact Reverend Lorraine for the next event or ask the school office.

Strawberry Tea

◦ You are very welcome to join us at the 'Strawberry Tea' event on Saturday 11th August on the school field at 2.30pm.

Upcoming Events

First day of term

Monday 3rd September

Nursery children start school

Monday 10th September

Full Governors Meeting

Tuesday 11th September

Nasal Flu Vaccinations (Rec – Year 6)

Date to follow

Break up for Half Term

Friday 26th October

Children back in school

Monday 5th November

PANTO

Tuesday 18th December

Break up for Christmas

Friday 21st December

Clwb Ddraig (After School Club)

Please note - activities/days could change

MONDAY - Sports (e.g. rounders, cricket, tennis)

TUESDAY - Gardening Club

Football will continue to be run by an external provider at a charge of £2.50

WEDNESDAY - Cookery (Please BOOK by Tue am) *

THURSDAY - Creative Craft

Lunchtime clubs

Please note - activities/days could change

MONDAY - Coding Club (Mrs Hughes), Year 5/6

TUESDAY - Choir Club (Miss Roberts), juniors

WEDNESDAY - Girls' football (Mr Williams), Yrs 2-6

THURSDAY - Chess Club (Mr Griffiths), juniors

These clubs will start during the second week back.



Contact or Follow us!

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School Term Dates 2018 - 2019

Autumn Term 2018		
School Opens	Monday	3 rd September
School Closes (Half term)	Friday	26 th October
School Opens	Monday	5 th November
School Closes	Friday	21 st December
Spring Term 2019		
School Opens	Monday	7 th January
School Closes (Half term)	Friday	22 nd February
School Opens	Monday	4 th March
School Closes	Friday	12 th April
Summer Term 2019		
School Opens	Monday	29 th April
School Closed (May Day)	Monday	6 th May
School Closes (Half term)	Friday	24 th May
Training day	Monday	3 rd June
Training day	Tuesday	4 th June
Training day	Wednesday	5 th June
Training day	Thursday	6 th June
Training day	Friday	7 th June
School Opens	Monday	10 th June
School Closes	Monday	22 nd July

A sincere thank you to all parents, grandparents, staff and governors for your continued support this year - in many different ways!

It is very much appreciated because without you all, we would not have been able to achieve half as much.

Thank you for your continued support!

Diolch yn fawr iawn!

Mr. Griffiths