



### Ysgol y Llan Friday 27<sup>th</sup> May – Dydd Gwener 27 Mai 2022

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

### Newyddion Ysgol

#### Happy Half Term!

This has once again been an extremely busy, eventful and joyful term!

The children and staff have all worked so hard during the term and I truly wish that everyone has a relaxing half term.

We have had many visitors in school over the term as we continue to support colleagues around Flintshire in developing their Welsh Culture. All visitors have left full of praise for our school, the provision available and of course the children. We're so proud of our little school, but these messages of praise confirm what we already know.

So, a huge thanks from me to our entire school team for simply being wonderful. ③

Children return to school on Tuesday 7<sup>th</sup> June for our final half term of the year.

Stay safe and have a lovely half term.

#### Attendance

As we return to some normality post-Covid, we will once again be sharing our attendance figures with parents in order to stress the importance of positive attendance.

#### Sports Day

We hope that you can join us on Tuesday 14<sup>th</sup> June for our school sports day.

This year, we will be separating the Key Stage sports days into a morning and afternoon session.

10.00am - Key Stage 2 (Years 3 - 6)

1.15pm - Foundation Phase (Nursery - Year 2)

The Friends of the school (PTA) will be selling refreshments throughout the day.



#### Transition & Moving Up Day

We will be holding our 'moving up day' on Tuesday 21<sup>st</sup> June. All children will be moving up to their September classrooms.

There will be a Reception and Nursery induction evening on Monday 20<sup>th</sup> June. More information will follow about this.

Year 6 pupils' transition days have been shared with parents directly via the High Schools.

Current whole school attendance	Class 1	Class 2	Class 3	Class 4
	%	%	%	%
93.1	93.2	95.4	93.7	90.1

Attendance matters. Our children's education matters. Thank you for supporting our efforts.

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#### Dosbarth 4

Class 4 have done lots of exciting things recently. In the past couple of weeks, they have had various workshops. Techniquest came into school and delivered sessions on computational thinking and Edison robots which were very engaging. The class thoroughly enjoyed learning about various aspects of computational thinking and then had a go at programming the Edison robots.





HSBC have also visited and delivered a session about financial education. The class also had Health & Wellbeing sessions delivered by the Urdd and Aura. The Urdd carried out some outdoor learning sessions focusing on team building, problem solving whilst developing the learner's spoken Welsh. Aura came in and did a tennis skill festival with both Dosbarth 3 & 4.

In addition to this, half of the class attended a football tournament at Ysgol Treffynnon. The team lost two games, won one and drew one. It was a thoroughly enjoyable afternoon and the learners who attended were a credit to the school.

In class, the children have been learning about modern day conflict in Europe for our topic. As part of the new curriculum for Wales, one of the four purposes is to develop ethically, informed citizens. Mr Thomas wanted the class to develop their knowledge about World War II, what happened afterwards during the Cold War and how it is relevant to Russia's invasion of Ukraine. The learners have developed an understanding of the different political ideologies which contributed towards the Cold War and how the collapse of the USSR occurred. They have looked at the devastating effects of the war in Ukraine and how the impacts are affecting countries globally. The learners have applied their knowledge in a non-chronological report. They have demonstrated that they are ambitious, capable learners who are ethically informed citizens.

After half term, our wonderful Year 6 learners will enter their final term at Ysgol y Llan before departing for High school. Hopefully we will give them the send-off that they deserve.

#### Dosbarth 3

Class 3 have been exploring animal in art. They used their favourite animal print as inspiration when designing their own animal print. These were printed onto bandanas that they are going to wear during their school trip to the zoo!





Following on from work they have done about climate change and the importance of looking after our World, they linked up with our partnership school in India - The Little Kingdom, via zoom to share ways in which we can do our bit to help.



Class 3 are all looking forward to visiting the Urdd Eisteddfod during the half term break. They have researched the history of the Eisteddfod, created their own mini Eisteddfod tents and have taken part in the Urdd message of peace and goodwill.

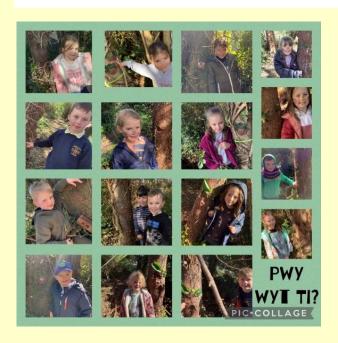




Will from Technocamps came in to school to lead a workshop all about 'Extreme Earth'. The children worked collaboratively to build structures using small sticks and jelly sweets! These were put through the test of an earthquake machine! Luckily all of the structures were strong enough to withhold any earthquake damage!

#### Dosbarth 2

This term Class 2 have been using Welsh in the outdoors. They have created natural creatures and used 'Manylion Personal' to describe their creations!









As part of their Pirate topic this term, Dosbarth 2 are training to be pirates. Mor ladron Bendigedig!



#### Dosbarth 1

Over the last couple of weeks, Dosbarth 1 have been enjoying spending a lot more time outdoors. They have been making smoothies to cool themselves down, made a minibus to take them to the zoo, painted their new outdoor frame and even had chance to have a paddle 'ar lan y mor'!













### Chester Zoo

#### It's a jungle out there!

Just this last week on Wednesday 25<sup>th</sup> May, all pupils from Reception to Year 6 enjoyed a well-deserved trip to Chester Zoo.

Everyone had a fabulous day and there was no monkey business on the day! ©

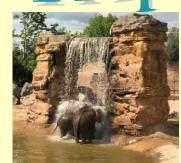
Staff stated how the children were a credit to you as parents and to our school.

We hope they all enjoyed themselves and we're sure that they slept well that night.







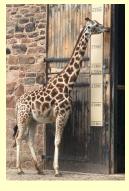
















#### Reminders/Requests

- Check PE kits (size etc.) & return to school.
- HEALTHY fruit and vegetables for snack only.
- All children have access to their refillable clear bottles for water throughout the day.
- Please REMEMBER to book onto After School Club (Clwb Ddraig) & Breakfast Club in ADVANCE.
- Please ensure all payments are up to date.
   These should be made in advance including school meals, breakfast club and after school club via the SchoolComms online payment system.
- Children may continue to wear school coloured joggers and hoodies on PE days.
   NO other football kits or tracksuits are allowed other than on Thursday, when pupils go to ASC football.



#### School Viewings

If you or anyone else would like an informal tour around the school, please contact the school office to arrange an appointment with Mr. Griffiths.



#### Church News & Christian Values

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

• The Church service is every first Sunday of the month. Everyone is welcome!

#### **School**

 Our Christian Value next half term is '<u>Truthfulness</u>'. Children will be exploring this value during collective worship and daily life.

#### Christian Value - Truthfulness

### TALK ABOUT TRUTHFULNESS TOGETHER...

'I promise to tell the **truth**, the whole **truth** and nothing but the **truth**, so help me God'

In a court of law a witness swears an oath on the Bible or another sacred text, but sometimes in everyday life people find it more difficult to be **truthful**.

Talk together about occasions when complete honesty could cause trouble or be hurtful. For example:

- When a member of your family asks you if you like their new shoes
- When telling the **truth** will get your friend into trouble
- When someone asks what you are thinking but the answer would hurt their feelings

### THINK TOGETHER ABOUT WORDS OF WISDOM

"To be **truthful** with others, you must first be **truthful** with yourself"

Anon

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#### **Upcoming Events**

#### **INSET day**

Monday 6th June

#### First day of term

Tuesday 7<sup>th</sup> June

#### **Holywell Cricket Festival - TBC**

Tuesday 7<sup>th</sup> June

#### Healthy Eating Week / Health &

**Wellbeing Week** 

W/b Monday 13th June

#### **Sports Day**

Tuesday 14th June

(KS2 - 10.00am, FP 1.15pm)

#### **Holywell Hockey Tournament - TBC**

Thursday 16<sup>th</sup> June

#### **Tennis Festival - TBC**

Friday 17th June

#### **Refugee Week**

W/b 20th June

#### Induction Evening - Nursery &

Reception

Monday 20th June

#### **Moving Up Day (Transition)**

Tuesday 21st June

#### Year 1/2 Football Festival

Friday 24th June

#### **Children's Rights/Charter Event**

Tuesday 28th June (Years 5 only)

#### **Full Governing Body Meeting**

Thursday 30<sup>th</sup> June

#### Cycle Proficiency Course - Yr. 6 - TBC

Monday 11<sup>th</sup> July

#### Year 6 Leavers' Service - Church

Tuesday 12th July at 1.30pm

#### **Friday FUN DAY**

Thursday 16th June

#### Last day of term

Monday 18th July

#### **INSET days (Twilight)**

Tuesday 19th & Wednesday 20th July

Thank you for your continued support! Diolch yn fawr iawn!

Mr. Griffiths