



# Monthly Newsletter



## Christmas preparations are well underway!

This term is flying by! The children are all now preparing for their Christmas concerts and we are looking forward to seeing as many of you there as possible.

### Foundation Phase

Rehearsal - Tuesday 8<sup>th</sup> December at 1.15pm  
Concert - Wednesday 9<sup>th</sup> December at 3.30pm

### Key Stage 2

Rehearsal - Tuesday 8<sup>th</sup> December at 2.00pm  
Concert - Tuesday 8<sup>th</sup> December at 6.00pm

## Author visit enriches pupils, parents & staff!

Neil Griffiths (Children's author) visited our school on Monday 16<sup>th</sup> November. The children were impeccably well-behaved and thoroughly enjoyed his interactive storytelling, involving pupils and staff. They particularly enjoyed the staff making fools of themselves!! ☺

Neil then stayed for the afternoon to chat to parents and teachers, sharing his top tips for reading and more importantly, the enjoyment that sharing stories has on children.

You can find some of his top tips here:

<https://t.co/AzQn5BaiPl>

## Helping Others

Pupils, parents and staff do SO much at Ysgol y Llan to help those less fortunate than ourselves.

We want to take this opportunity to thank you for the continued support this year.

**Children in Need £142.30**



**Operation Christmas Child 92 boxes!**



## Attendance

We want to keep informing you about attendance. It is VITAL that children attend school as much as possible. Attendance figures will therefore appear on each newsletter.

School target %	Current school attendance	Class 1 R %	Class 2 Yr 1/2 %	Class 3 Yr 3/4 %	Class 4 Yr 5/6 %
96	96	94.8	95.9	95.8	97.4

**PURPLE MASH -**  
We hope that children are benefitting from these resources at home.

## Church News & Christian Values

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

◦ Family Service is at 9.30am, Sunday 6<sup>th</sup> December – Rev. Sue's last family service!

### School

◦ Our Christian Value this half term is 'TRUST'. Children will be exploring this value during collective worship and daily life. Please help at home to discuss this value with your children.

## THANK YOU & GOOD BYE!

Rev. Sue is retiring at the end of this term. She has been wonderful in the way she supports the school and the pupils. Her services are aimed at the children and for the children and we wish her the very best for the future.

Her last family service is on Sunday 6<sup>th</sup> December at 9.30am and we would like as many people as possible to attend.

## Christmas FAIR

PLEASE support us  
Friday 4<sup>th</sup> December  
AFTER SCHOOL  
3.30pm – 6.00pm  
THANK YOU



## FRAMED CHRISTMAS ART

Children's ART WORK  
will be FRAMED and on  
display in the hall.

A Christmas present to  
CHERISH!



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## Upcoming Events

### Book Fair

26<sup>th</sup> November – 10<sup>th</sup> December

### Running Machine (Tesco entrance)

Sunday 29<sup>th</sup> November at 10.30am (NEW date)

### Holywell FC Football Festival

Monday 30<sup>th</sup> November

### Flu Injections (Reception to Year 2)

Wednesday 2<sup>nd</sup> December – morning

### Children's Christmas dinner

Wednesday 2<sup>nd</sup> December (Christmas jumpers)

### Christmas Fair

Friday 4<sup>th</sup> December at 3.20/3.30pm – 6.00pm

### FP & KS2 Christmas rehearsals

Tuesday 8<sup>th</sup> December (FP 1.15pm & KS2 2.00pm)

### KS2 Christmas Concert

Tuesday 8<sup>th</sup> December at 6pm

### FP Christmas Concert

Wednesday 9<sup>th</sup> December at 3.30pm

### Confirmation for Year 6 pupils (St. Asaph)

Wednesday 9<sup>th</sup> December

### Bishop Gregory's Visit (to award a place for his Christmas Card Competition)

Thursday 10<sup>th</sup> December at 9.20am

### Early Entitlement Open Morning

Friday 11<sup>th</sup> December, 9.30am – 11.45am (break time 10.30-10.45am) drop in session for parents.

### PANTO

Monday 14<sup>th</sup> December (NO Nursery that day)

Expected return time is 4.30pm

### Christmas Carol Service in Church

Wednesday 16<sup>th</sup> December at 2pm

### Children's Party Day in class

Thursday 17<sup>th</sup> December (own party clothes)

### Meeting with Headteacher

Friday 18<sup>th</sup> December (informal chat at 2.30pm)

### INSET (Staff training)

NO school on Monday 4<sup>th</sup> January 2016

### Children back in school

Tuesday 5<sup>th</sup> January 2016

### Class 3 Assembly – parents welcome

Friday 22<sup>nd</sup> January at 2.30pm

### School Disco

Friday 12<sup>th</sup> February

## Bishop Gregory's Christmas Card Competition

Last year we had lots of highly commended entries. This year, one lucky pupil from Ysgol y Llan has placed in the competition. Bishop Gregory will be visiting school to award them with either 1<sup>st</sup>, 2<sup>nd</sup> OR 3<sup>rd</sup> prize! WHAT WILL IT BE???????