

## Ysgol y Llan Thursday 8<sup>th</sup> February 2018

Growing & Learning Together Through Faith, Friends and Fun

## Monthly Newsletter

## New Year, New Topics!

The beginning of the year has flown by! The children and staff have had a busy start to the New Year all beginning their new topics. You may have received a 'Topic Newsletter' explaining what your child will be doing over the coming term. If you have any questions regarding this, please contact your child's class teacher.

Dosbarth 1 - Tell Me A Story

Dosbarth 2 - Pets

Dosbarth 3 - Predators

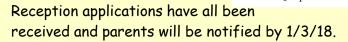
Dosbarth 4 - Icons

Keep in touch - topic newsletters along with Class Twitter feeds and the Seesaw App will help you find out what is going on in your child's class. If you want to know more, please just ask the class teacher!

## Staff Changes

- Marie Cook has returned to our kitchen after her maternity leave. Welcome back!
- Mr Griffiths will continue to teach in Class 2 every Friday.

# Reception & Nursery Applications



Nursery applications must be received by 23/2/18 and parents will be notified by 11/5/18.



### Ysgol Y Llan Places currently available!

Contact the School Office Phone: 01745 560431 Email: whmail@hwbcymru.net

We currently still have places in Reception and Nursery.

## Reminders

- School starts back on Monday 19<sup>th</sup> February.
- Pupils need PE kits on their first day back in school.
- Please ensure all payments are kept up to date including school meals, breakfast club, school trips and after school club.
- FSM entitlement if you think you may be eligible for free school meals, please ask the office or enquire online

http://www.flintshire.gov.uk/en/Resident/Schools/Education-Benefits.aspx

## Attendance

School target	Class 1	Class 2	Class 3	Class 4
%	%	%	%	%
95	96.7	95.9	97.1	



Attendance across school was consistently good last term and we hope that this will continue this term. A reminder that the Governors of Ysgol y Llan will not authorise any holidays during term time.

## Santes Dwynwen

We had a very successful morning on Dydd Santes Dwynwen where parents and grandparents were invited in to school to share a story and some craft making with their children/grandchildren.

Thank you to Miss Randall and Criw Cymraeg for leading this, to the staff who helped out and to all of our visitors for joining us. We hope you all enjoyed yourselves and we look forward to a similar experience next year!



# Well done to Gwyn and our kitchen staff. 5 \* again!



Congratulations to our kitchen staff, specifically Gwyn our school cook (covering maternity leave) for achieving the highest standard of kitchen/food hygiene.

Thanks to Gwyn for being part of the team. We wish her the very best in the future.



## Whitford's Got Talent

We now have our final list of entries and all pupils will be showcasing their talents on Tuesday  $20^{th}$  February. We can't wait to see our little performers and we wish them the very best of luck on the day. They have all shown courage in entering and we will ensure that they are supported on the day.

#### SCHOOL UNIFORM

School Uniform is available from Forrester Sports in Mold.

## Friends of the School

**EVENTS & SUPPORT** 

The next Friends of the School event will be the school **disco** on Friday 23<sup>rd</sup> February.

This will be followed by the **Mother's Day Secret** Shop on Thursday 8<sup>th</sup> March at 3.30pm. This will be a perfect opportunity to unwind and have a tea and cake whilst children choose the perfect gift for their special mums!

More information will follow from the Friends but please get in touch if you think that you can help with any event organised. Thank you!

#### MONEY RAISED

The Friends of the School organise many events. With your support, they have already raised a further £1200.20 (profit) this year. This is a fantastic amount and the Friends are now in discussion with the school over potential resources/spending for the pupils.

#### NEW & EXISTING IDEAS

The Friends are always looking for new ideas for events. Please get in touch if you have any bright ideas. One recent idea was an 'Auction of Promises' and we hope that this can take place in the near future.

Remember that you can still support through previous ideas such as Bags to School and Your School Lottery.

https://www.yourschoollottery.co.uk/lottery/school/ysqol-y-llan

After half term, we welcome any donations of Easter Eggs for our annual Easter Bingo on Wednesday 14<sup>th</sup> March at 6pm. Thank you in advance!



## Dodgeball Festival

Well done to the pupils who took part in the dodgeball festival. Both teams came 3<sup>rd</sup> place in their groups and ended up playing against one another in a play-off! Da iawn pawb!

Dodgeball will be replaced by hockey after the half term and will take place on a Friday after school.

## Flintshire Primary Quiz

Thank you to the children who represented our school in the Flintshire Primary Quiz earlier on in the year. They were wonderful representatives at Holywell library and finished 3<sup>rd</sup> place in the area competition.





## Celebration Assembly

Every week, we enjoy celebrating many achievements in school. Celebrations are shared weekly on our twitter page and website. These include:

- Seren yr Wythnos (Star of the Week) celebrating good work/effort in class
- Headteacher's Award given for being positive role models, following school rules and demonstrating our Christian Values
- Golden Dustpan Award presented to the class which has persevered to keep their classroom area tidy throughout the week
- Attendance Trophy for the class that has the highest attendance for that week
- Outside school achievements any personal achievements, certificates, awards etc from outside of school are recognised and celebrated



## Ethos Council

Many pupils expressed an interest in being part of our new Ethos Council last term. This new council will use the power of pupil voice to shape how we approach Religious Education and Collective Worship in school.

The Ethos Council will meet on a half termly basis and will feed back their findings to the senior leadership team and school governors.

Initially, they have decided that they want:

- children and parents to be more aware of our Christian Values (especially our core values)
- children to be more involved in planning and leading collective worship

In order to achieve the above, they initially want:

- to develop a reward system for demonstrating Christian Values
- to make pupils and parents more aware about the home-school materials for each Christian Value
- to lead the first collective worship for each half term

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## Church News & Christian Values

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

- Family Service at 9.30am, Sunday 4<sup>th</sup> March Messy Church
- School hall, 9.15am 11.15am, Saturday
   10<sup>th</sup> February 2018

#### **School**

Our Christian Value next term is 'Justice'.
 Children will be exploring this value during collective worship and daily life. Please look at the home-school materials to see how you can further develop this at home.

#### **Prayer**

 We pray for those children who are new to our school. We welcome them into our school family and we hope that they enjoy much success and happiness.

## Online Payments

Dinner payments and other payments must be made online. Please ensure all payments are up to date.

You can download an app or access it via the web or 'Our Schools App'.

Schoolgateway

## Budget Cuts

Please follow the link to information regarding budget cuts (on our website) in Flintshire schools.

## Class Communication

You can follow the work in your child's class by logging into the new Class Seesaw App.

Please ask the class teacher for details.

## Our Schools App

Our Schools App lets you keep up to date with all school news via an app on your phone.

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## Contact or Follow us!

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> http://www.ysgolyllan.co.uk https://twitter.com/YsgolyLlan https://www.ourschoolsapp.com

Thank you for your continued support! Mr. Griffiths

## **Upcoming Events**

#### First day of term

Monday 19th February 2018

#### Whitford's Got Talent

Tuesday 20th February 2018

#### **School DISCO**

Friday 23rd February 2018

#### **School Eisteddfod**

Thursday 1st March 2018

#### **Area Eisteddfod**

Saturday 3<sup>rd</sup> March @ Ysgol Gwynedd (Flint)

#### **NANT BH Parents' Information Meeting**

Wednesday 7th March @ 3.30pm

## Mother's Day Secret Shop (TBC)

Thursday 8th March @ 3.30pm

#### **ASSESSMENT** week

Week beginning Monday 12th March 2018

#### **Full Governors Meeting**

Tuesday 13th March @ 6.00pm

## **Flintshire Hockey Festival**

Wednesday 14th March 2018

#### **Easter BINGO**

Wednesday 14th March @ 6pm

#### Class 3 ASSEMBLY

Friday 16th March @ 2.30pm

#### **NANT BH Residential Trip**

Monday 19<sup>th</sup> March – Wednesday 21<sup>st</sup> March

#### **Reception Screening**

Thursday 22<sup>nd</sup> March

#### Last day of term

Friday 23rd March 2018

## Extra-curricular School Clubs & Whitford After School Club (WASC)

## Week beginning Monday 19th February 2018

Please note - days/times could change

MONDAY - Sewing & Knitting, juniors only

TUESDAY - Football (external provider £2.50)

TUESDAY - Coding Club, Year 5/6 only, lunchtime

WEDNESDAY - Craft Club (WASC Charge)

WEDNESDAY - Choir Club, juniors, lunchtime

THURSDAY - Clwb Cymru Cŵl, Years 2-6, lunchtime

FRIDAY - Hockey Club, juniors only

