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Education for All

The new academic year is well and truly under way. It has been fantastic to welcome you and all the pupils back. As staff and Governors, we look forward to working with you, the children and wider community to ensure we have another successful year of learning at Tywyn.

It has been a smooth start to the year, and the children are settling in well. Pupils have already had some great experiences with the Year 6 pupils having attended the Peri Roadshow, Year 5 pupils engaging in Mental Health Champions Workshops and Archaeology workshops and some of our LSC pupils are visiting Neath Fair. Swimming lessons have begun for some older children and our Sports Clubs are already underway and we look forward to another year of sporting success. Thank you for supporting Genes for Jeans and our Macmillan Coffee morning, as well as joining us for our Parent Drop ins. There are plenty more exciting experiences planned for this coming year.

We are over the moon to have appointed a Family Engagement Officer, Sarah Edwards who will be working with you over the coming year. Mrs McHugh and Miss Edwards also look forward to working with this year's Parent Ambassadors.

We are extremely proud of our school and its pupils and would like to thank you in advance for your continued support in helping us to foster positive relationships, promote high levels of behaviour, punctuality, attendance and achievement for all pupils

Keep Linked In.

As you will be aware, we use SCHOOP to communicate with yourselves. Our school ID code for SCHOOP is 8115.

We do have some news; in January we plan to move over to Class Dojo. Further information will be sent out regarding this in due course. In the meantime, please ensure you keep up to date via Schoop.

Attendance

We have seen a positive start of the new school year. Please ensure your child arrives at school on time daily to avoid disruption – the school day starts at 8.50am and teaching and learning begins immediately. I must remind you that holidays taken during term time are not authorised by the school and you may face a fixed penalty notice if they are taken. You should also request a leave of absence form from the office, to be completed when requesting holidays. If your child is off school for more than one day, could you please inform us on the first day of the absence and every day after as it helps to keep our registers up to date. If we do not hear from you by 9.15am on the first day of absence, school will contact you to find out why your child is off. If your child's attendance falls below 95%, their progress could be seriously affected. GOOD ATTENDERS = GOOD ACHIEVERS! Improving attendance is going to continue to be one of our areas of focus this academic year as it has such an impact on the children's learning.

As a school we are working to improve pupil's attendance. We value your support in working with us to achieve this, and most importantly allowing your children to have the best start by being in school.

Collection of Pupils

Children must be collected by a responsible adult i.e. a person who has officially left school. If anyone different is collecting a child for whatever reason at the end of the day, the class teacher must be informed in the morning. Should you contact the office asking for a new person to collect your child you will be required to give a password. Any children walking home in the Juniors must have



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written permission from the parents. On dropping and collecting pupils, no vehicles should be driven onto the school grounds unless given prior permission by the Headteacher.

Emergency Contact Details

On occasions we may need to contact you in an emergency. It is therefore vital we hold up-to-date contact details for you. Please inform the school office as soon as possible, if you have any changes to your contact numbers/address.

Snack and School Dinners

Fruit is available to buy daily from the school Tuck Shop at a cost of 30p.

School Dinners are now free to all pupils. Nonetheless, if you are eligible to the old style free school meals, we still encourage you to complete the relevant paperwork to ensure that the school receives all funding that we are entitled to, which supports the pupils with their learning.

Healthy Eating

As Tywyn Primary is a 'Healthy School' and we do our best to encourage a healthy lifestyle and diet, we would ask that you as parents support us in this and only allow your child to bring one 'treat' (crisps, chocolate) in their lunch boxes.

Breakfast Club

Breakfast Club Breakfast Club pupils are admitted at 8.15am. Pupils must not arrive any later than 8.30am. Please ensure your children are fully supervised when waiting for doors to open as staff are driving in to the carpark at this time.

School Uniform

It is wonderful to see the children return to school dressed smartly in their school uniform. Please could we remind you that school uniform items are available to purchase from the Images. Pupils can also wear non logoed uniform from any of the supermarkets. Please ensure that all items of uniform are clearly labelled with your child's name. For health and safety reasons, may I ask that pupils with long hair keep it tied back whilst in school and that on the days they have PE their pierced earrings are removed for that day unless they are able to remove them independently before the start of the lesson. Wearing any jewellery to school is discouraged for safety reasons and to avoid items getting lost / damaged. Bright hair dyes and extreme haircuts must also be avoided for school as they do not comply with the school's policy which can be found on our website

School Council

The School Council will be working towards being a Rights Respecting School this academic year. Moving forward, each month we will share with you the Child's Right that we have focused on.

Governors Corner

Many Governors attended training with the staff on one of the INSET days in September, it was a privilege to work with the staff. Tywyn Primary has a fantastic team of staff and pupils, and we look forward to supporting them this academic year.

This year is a particularly important year with it being Tywyn Primary's 70th Anniversary. As Chair of Governors, I look forward to celebrating this with you all, and the wider community.

Cllr.M.Crowley.

Important Dates

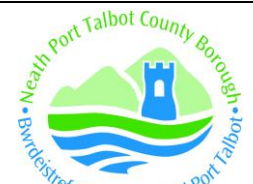
INSET dates 03/11/2025, 05/01/26 and 20/07/2026

08/10/25

LSC Coffee morning.



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09/10/25
Transition Meeting Yr 5 (LSC pupils).

13/10/25
Yr 5 trip to Margam Abbey.

15/10/25
Individual school photos.

17/10/25
Show racism the red card.

20/10/25
Family school photos.
Bae Baglan shield (Football & Netball).
Morning Nursery stay and play (9.30am-11am).
Afternoon Nursery stay and play (1pm-2.30pm).

24/10/25
End of term

03/11/25
INSET DAY

04/11/25
Children return to school.

Parents Evening – 10/11 + 11/112025

Siarad Cymraeg/Speaking Welsh

As a school we are very proud of our heritage and wish to foster the use of the Welsh language amongst our children and the school community. Please head over to our school website to find out more information.

<https://tywyn-primary-school.j2bloggy.com/cymraeg/>

Safeguarding Team

The school safeguarding team includes, **Mrs McHugh, Miss Williams, Mrs Hanbury, and Mrs Jones.**

Governor responsible for safeguarding - Cllr.M.Crowley

Please note that the school office opening hours are 8.15am to 3.45pm



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