



# Baglan Primary School / Ysgol Gynradd Baglan

'Live Well, Laugh Together, Learn Forever'

Baglan Primary News 05.12.25

Baglan Primary School is a 'Rights respecting school.' The article of the months for December is Article 14 - The right to follow your own religion.



Year 3 & 4 News ~ Time is moving quickly this term, we are in December already. These last few weeks we have been working hard to practise our songs and words for our Christmas performance. We are getting very good, and our confidence is growing. We have also been working hard making our Christmas cards and calendars. As well as this in class, we have been

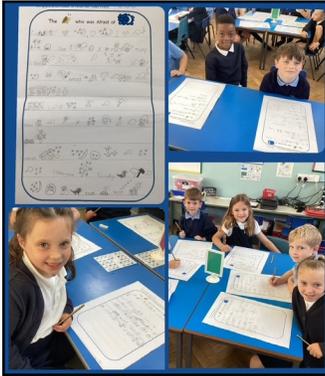


continuing with our learning. In maths we have been looking at measure and capacity. We have identified mls and litres and looked at scales to measure liquids. In English we have been learning about the present and past tense and how to use it correctly in our writing. This can be quite tricky at times, so we have been practising how to change words from present tense to past tense and how to place them in a sentence. This week we have also been looking at the artist Romero Brito. He is a Brazilian artist and painter who draws in the style of pop art. We have had fun copying his art and the vibrant colours he uses. Last week we had a fun Friday when we watched a Christmas panto, it really got us in the Christmas mood.

Reception News ~ We had a message from our class puppets Fflic a Fflac about their 5th birthday party. They were so excited about turning 5 and wanted to have a party. Unfortunately, they had not had a party before and needed our help to plan one. First, we worked in our cooperative groups to use our previous knowledge and remembering skills to think of ideas. Next, we used our independence to create a list of what we would like to have in the birthday party for Fflic a Fflac. We decided we needed invitations, a banner, party food, squash, party games and bags, paper plates and cups,



balloons, table cloths, birthday cake and to wear party clothes or fancy dress. Over the week we were very busy party planners. We looked at a selection of invitations and thought about what important information needed to be on a party invite and then wrote our own. We made a shopping list for Mrs Challenger and when all our supplies were purchased, we got to work. We worked in groups to make up the party bags, create a banner, wrap presents for pass the parcel, made sandwiches and then laid the tables. During the organisation we made sure there was 28 of everything and this was important because there is that number of children in the class. Party day was very exciting, and we had a wonderful time. Fflic a Fflac said they had the best birthday ever.



Year 1 & 2 News ~ In Blwyddyn 1 a 2 over the last two weeks we have been learning about division in numeracy lessons. We have been wondering about groups of a number e.g. 6 divided by 3, we get 6 cups and put them into a group of 3 and we made 2 groups. We have also been collecting data about our favourite Christmas decorations, we have used a tally, created a block graph and answered questions on the data collected. The star was the most popular decoration, and the tinsel was the least popular. In literacy we have been learning about the features of an instruction text. We learnt about how they are set out, using bossy verbs and

created a planning map for instructions on how to put up a Christmas tree. In our independent stations over the last two weeks we have been writing winter snow scenes, writing letters to Father Christmas, playing times tables games on J2Blast, painting, making sleighs with large equipment outside, sorting nocturnal animals and playing phonic games. Last Friday we watched the pantomime 'Cinderella' we had a fantastic time "Oh yes we did!" A big thank you to the PTA for this experience, it got us in the festive mood to start December. Lastly, we have been super busy practising for our Christmas concert. We have learnt lines, songs and a dance and we cannot wait to perform next week to all our parents and guardians.



Nursery News ~ The children really enjoyed the Cinderella pantomime last week. They loved joining in with all the key moments and had a wonderful time participating. A big thank you to the PTA for organising the afternoon. This week, we continued our topic 'All About Me' and explored the different people who help us in school. We talked about the name of our wonderful school, Baglan Nursery, and then named the teachers in our class, discussing all the ways they support us. The children shared some fantastic ideas, from "helping me with numbers" to "tidying the class." We also spoke about how important it is for everyone to help each other in our classroom. We had some very exciting visitors this week- Santa's elves! They've been keeping a close eye on us, and we've been very lucky to receive a little advent chocolate from them whenever we are helpwr y dydd.

On Thursday, we all enjoyed a festive Christmas dinner together with our friends. Dressed in our Christmas-themed clothes, we enjoyed some delicious food-the ice cream/jelly were definitely favourites for dessert! Friday was dress rehearsal day, and the children were thrilled to try on their Christmas concert costumes. We are more than ready and so excited to perform for you all next week!

**Year 5 News** ~ In Year 5, we have been studying the artist, Frida Kahlo. We have found out about her life, where she was from and what her interests were. We learnt about how she started her career as an artist and what inspired her to paint. We then turned this research into non-chronological reports all about her, writing the information in full, formal sentences. Kahlo mainly paints self-portraits, so we studied some of her paintings and used this as inspiration to create our own self-portraits. Our portraits showed our inner and outer self. When drawing our faces, one half showed how we look on the outside, displaying details such as our facial features and hair. The other half represented how we felt on the inside, using aspects of our personalities and interests as substitutes for different facial features e.g. using a rugby ball for an eye. We used bright, bold colours in the same style as Kahlo.

This week, we have been working in groups to learn about the short-term and the long-term effects of exercise. We have been able to show and present this information in a way of our choosing. Some of us have chosen to create large informative posters, other have chosen to create PowerPoint presentations, some have chosen to create videos, and one group chose to present the information as a news report. We have had lots of fun working in our chosen way and learnt a lot about why exercise is good for us.

We have been continuing with gymnastics in PE. Last week, we worked on different types of rolls. We practised going from a straddle position into a roll, backwards rolls and pike rolls. This week, we have been working on handstands, cartwheels and round offs, practising the techniques for safe take offs and landings.



**Year 3 News** ~ Year 3 have had a busy and exciting week of learning. In Literacy, we have enjoyed following sets of instructions including how to make a cup of tea. We successfully sequenced diagrams and captions, and then independently wrote clear instructions on how to brush our teeth. We also loved working in pairs to follow instructions to make our own bookmarks. In Maths, we have been practising reading digital time and converting it to analogue. Although

challenging, we have shown fantastic perseverance. Our confidence in reciting times tables is growing each morning, and we are enthusiastically taking part in mental maths sessions involving doubling and halving, place value, and addition and subtraction. In Art, we are continuing to explore the work of Kandinsky, noticing his vibrant colours and bold use of shapes. We are now creating their own artwork inspired by his style. In Science, we have enjoyed learning about the function of the heart. We can explain that the heart is a muscle which pumps blood around the body, and we understand the importance of keeping it healthy.





## Shining Stars ~ Ser Disglair



Miss Wilson ~ Nursery	George R ~ for using the JIT tools with confidence on the White Board. Well done, George. Chloe J ~ for exploring and taking part in some new activities. Well done, Chloe.
Mrs Challenger ~ Reception	Penelope J and Elara M ~ for being excellent party organisers during our Fflic and Fflac birthday party. Da iawn both.
Mr Atkins ~ Dosbarth 1	Hunter G ~ for always being extremely polite and showing excellent manners, ardderchog Hunter. Nelly B ~ for doing a great job when helping us choose our class elf' name by helping us record the results in a tally chart.
Mrs Giles ~ Dosbarth 1 & 2	Noah R ~ for his fantastic instruction writing in literacy, bendigedig! Jaxson M ~ for his creative painting and looking after the resources. Da iawn.
Miss Randall ~ Dosbarth 3	Oliver E ~ for writing a very clear set of instructions, da iawn Oliver. Elliot H ~ for always showing such determination and enthusiasm for learning. Ardderchog Elliot.
Mrs Roosmalen/ Mrs H Selley ~ Dosbarth 3 & 4	Amelia E & Imogen Grace R ~ for their fabulous creative art in the style of Romero Britto. Bendigedig. James D ~ for his super singing on the stage whilst practising for our Christmas performance. Gwaith da James.
Miss Noon ~ Dosbarth 4 & 5	Hudson R ~ for his beautiful reading, da iawn Hudson. Oscar S ~ for his awesome symmetry work, ardderchog!
Mrs Myatt ~ Dosbarth 5	Lottie Mae F, Rosie S and Rosie G ~ for creating a fantastic video explaining the short-term and long-term effects of exercise. Bendigedig!
Mrs Smart ~ Dosbarth 6	Jesse E ~ for writing a fantastic explanation text about smoking. Da iawn Jesse. Ollie W ~ for standing in for so many different parts in our Christmas performance. Thank you, Ollie.
Mrs White ~ all classes	Hayden N and Rosie A ~ for their excellent work naming and describing the different teeth which we have. Da iawn!

Dates for the Diary	
08.12.2025	Year 1 - Year 6 Christmas Concert 1.15pm
09.12.2025	Nursery & Reception Christmas Concert 9.30am
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11.12.2025	Christmas Dinner ~ pupils may wear festive clothes if they wish.
16.12.2025	Winter Wonderland ~ The Foundation children will enjoy a

	variety of Christmas activities and a special visit from Santa. To enable the children to enjoy this fun experience we would greatly appreciate a £2 contribution. Please send £2 in an envelope marked with your child's name. During this day children may wear Christmas jumper (if they wish).
17.12.2025	'Party on a Plate' ~ pupils may wear festive clothes if they wish.
19.12.2025	Autumn Term Ends
05.01.2026	Pupils return to school
16.02.2026 ~ 20.02.2026	February Half-term break
30.03.2026 ~ 10.04.2026	Easter Holidays
25.05.2026 ~ 29.05.2026	May Half-term break
15.06.2026 ~ 19.06.2026	Llangrannog Residential Week ~ Year 5 & 6 pupils
20.07.2026	INSET Day - school closed to pupils