



Baglan Primary School / Ysgol Gynradd Baglan

'Live Well, Laugh Together, Learn Forever'

Baglan Primary News 19.12.25

Pupils of the autumn term 2025: Congratulations!

Congratulations to the following children who have received our 'Pupil of the term award.' The award is received by pupils who have a very positive attitude, work hard and persevere in making the school community a better place to be.

Miss Wilson ~ Nursery	Albie T River W
Mrs Challenger ~ Reception	Alex D Elara M
Mr Atkins ~ Dosbarth 1	Arthur B Nelly B
Mrs Giles ~ Dosbarth 1 a 2	Owen F Esme NW
Miss Randall ~ Dosbarth 3	Lottie A Leo P
Mrs Roosmalen & Mrs Selley ~ Dosbarth 3 a 4	Aurora O Julio D
Miss Noon Dosbarth 4 a 5	Ella C Oscar S
Mrs Myatt Dosbarth 5	Rosie A Robin I
Mrs Smart Dosbarth 6	River W Noah T
Mrs White - all classes	Charlie L Isabella M

Attendance ~ Congratulations to the following children who have achieved 100% attendance up until the 12.12.2025, we are very proud of you:

Class	Pupils
Nursery	Ruby P, Perri D, Rudy H.
Reception	Arlo B.
Year 1	Catrin J, River C, Harry C, Justin A.
Year 1 & 2	Dylan W, Maddie R, Madison M, Lincoln J, Cordelia G, Owen F, Rory D, Sam C, Bradley A.
Year 3	Luana R, Sebastian MW, Gwennan J, Elliot H, Matilda G, Alfie BW, Lottie A.

Year 3 & 4	Curtis TP, Blake R, Olivia J, Joshua J, Evan H, Isabella G, Rose C.
Year 4 & 5	Jacob W, Evan R.
Year 5	Cobain W, Sam T, Tommy R, Hayden N, Olivia J, Lottie Mae F, Rosie A.
Year 6	Oliver W, Jesse E.

Congratulations to the following pupils who have made the greatest improvement in attendance from the same period last year. Well done, keep it up!

Greatest Improvement in Attendance	
Owen F	Reception
Elara M	Reception
River C	Year 1
Billy A	Year 1
Beau D	Year 1
Emilia E	Year 1 & 2
Lincoln J	Year 1 & 2
Madison M	Year 1 & 2
Xavier P	Year 1 & 2
Lottie A	Year 3
Andrew J	Year 3
Sabastian MW	Year 3
Isabella TM	Year 3
Trubel G	Year 3 & 4
Lyla H	Year 3 & 4
Blake R	Year 3 & 4
Harry L	Year 4 & 5
Nancy T	Year 4 & 5
Brooke D	Year 5
Romeo E	Year 5
Kelsie J	Year 5
Isabelle N	Year 5
Noah T	Year 6
Oliver W	Year 6

This year we are striving to achieve 95% or above for the year, keep up the good work in helping us achieve this!

% Attendance	
99% ~ 99.99%	Owen E, Phoenix H.
98% ~ 98.99%	Rue P, Isla D, Joshua F, Oscar M, Bleu L, Seren H, Arthur B, Esme NW, Joe M, Jack E, Lyla H, James D, Hudson R, Luna P, Jaxon M, Ronny M, Ethan HSL, Penelope N, Brooke D, Oscar N, Alfie G.
97% ~ 97.99%	Bonnie R, Aubree A, Eliza T, Beau D, Edith BG, Jaxon AJ, Iestyn W, DJ M, Isaac S, Thomas R, Noah R, Xavier P, Mila N, Isabella TM, Imogen Grace R, Iylah Leigh B, Evan P, Ted H, Javi M.
96% ~ 96.99%	Zachary R, Arlo M, Chloe J, Enzo F, Ella W, Teddy F, Isabella M.
95% ~ 95.99%	Arthur Paul BP, Elara M, Leo D, Lunafreya AJ, David A, Leo P, Julio D, Arianna YO, Harry L, Robin I, Romeo E, Flynn P, Carter P, Xen L.

Reception News ~ We have had lots of Christmas fun over the past few weeks. First, we enjoyed performing the 'Baaarmy Bethlehem' nativity for our families. We all tried our best with our different parts and singing the songs. We would like to thank our families for our beautiful costumes and supporting us. Last Thursday it was our Christmas dinner day, it was delicious. This week we had an amazing time during the Winter Wonderland Day. We went to different classes to experience Christmas fitness, making a decoration, reindeer food and cakes. Finally, we went to visit Santa near the Christmas tree and had a gift. Within our class learning we have created a video message for Santa and have been busy helping the elf to sort a range of 3D presents helping us to become more familiar with the shapes. We have also taken part in lots of creative actives and one of our favourites was creating a Winter Wonderland collage. We would like to wish you all a wonderful Christmas and a Happy New Year.



Year 1 News ~ We have had a wonderfully festive week filled with Christmas songs, stories, and activities. The children have been writing lists and letters to Father Christmas, asking for lovely presents and explaining how well they have been behaving. Our class elf, Jingles, has also been setting us Christmas challenges, such as finding tricky words and writing them down, hunting for numbered baubles and adding them up, and answering questions about the properties of 3D shapes - disguised as wrapped presents that had

fallen off Santa's sleigh! In maths, we have been learning about doubling numbers and completed a range of doubling activities using Numicon and Christmas pictures. We also completed a HOTS activity where the children looked at Christmas-themed pictures and decided which one was the odd one out. They then had to justify their answers, which Mr Atkins recorded. We have also listened to the Christmas Story and have used pictures to sequence it and then talked in our groups about the events in the story.

On Tuesday, we enjoyed our Winter Wonderland Day in school. It was great fun! The children took part in 'Festive Fitness' activities with Mr Atkins, made reindeer food with Miss Wilson, baked a delicious reindeer cake with Mrs Challenger, sang Christmas songs and made a Christmas decoration with Mrs Giles - and of course, met the main man himself! It was a very busy morning, but we had lots and lots of fun.

On Wednesday, we had our 'party on a plate' day. It was lovely to sit with our friends, enjoy some delicious food, and listen to Christmas songs together.

Thank you for all your support this term. We wish you a very Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year, and we look forward to seeing you in 2026!

Year 4 & 5 News ~ This week in Year 4 & 5, we have been retelling the Christmas story. The children prioritised the key parts of the story and create a storyboard, they drew a picture and wrote a sentence. We have been keeping our maths skills up to date with Christmas addition and subtraction worded problems. On Tuesday, we had our last music session with Mrs James. We have been learning about body percussion, creating our own rhythms and using different musical instruments. We have had lots of fun learning new skills. On Wednesday we celebrated the end of the term with a party on a plate. We had fun listening to music and playing some party games. On Wednesday and Thursday, we took part in a class Christmas carousel activity. We had four stations each day and rotated around each one. On Wednesday we completed 3D crafts, Christmas silhouette pictures, designed own bauble and followed a YouTube tutorial. On Thursday we made rice crispy cakes, researched Christmas around the world, created objects using Lego and played Christmas games on the Chromebook. We had lots of fun completing these different Christmas activities. We have had lots of fun learning about 'Healthy Me' this term and are looking forward to our new topic. We hope you have a lovely Christmas and Happy New Year.



Year 1 & 2 News ~ Nadolig Llawen to all our families and friends from Blwyddyn 1 a 2. We have had a festive two weeks in class. We have been performing our concert 'Lights, Camel Action', making cards, calendars and a range of decorations; we hope you like them. We had a fabulous Christmas dinner with our friends, a Winter Wonderland Day full of activities, party on plate and

completed Christmas literacy and numeracy activity booklets. In lessons we have been recalling and sequencing the story of The Jolly Christmas Postman on maps. We have been learning to measure with a ruler and measuring candy canes in numeracy and in our learning stations we have been playing ICT Christmas games, building snowmen outside with natural materials and lots of other



Christmassy things. Mrs Giles, Mrs Jackson and Mrs Roberts would like to praise and thank the children and their families for a fantastic positive Autumn term and look forward to the New Year

2026. QR code - Disco Stars by Blwyddyn 1 a 2

Mrs White's News ~ Year 6 have worked hard the past few weeks. They have researched different soups and created a logo and name for a pop-up soup kitchen. The class made a delicious minestrone soup and lots of children who do not usually like soup, loved this soup. The class have worked extremely hard during their first term in Year 6 and we are all looking forward to our new topic, and exciting activities in 2026. Wishing you all a fabulous and well-deserved break.



Year 3 & 4 News ~ We are coming to the end of this term, and we are all looking forward to Christmas and our two weeks off school. In Year 3 & 4 we have been very busy with our Christmas festivities. We have been performing our Christmas nativity play called "Lights Camel Action" and thoroughly enjoyed sharing it with our parents, friends and family. We have



been making our Christmas cards and designing our calendars. In maths we have been data handling. We gathered information about our favourite Christmas films and plotted them onto a graph using J2 Data. The film that got the most tallies was Christmas Chronicles with the Grinch a close second. With Mrs White we have been learning about Advent and Christmas around the world. Well done to everyone for a positive and successful Autumn term. Our class would like to wish everyone a Merry Christmas. Nadolig Llawen!



Year 6 News ~ Year 6 have had a week full of festive activities! In English, we have revised features of creative writing by describing a Christmas scene using similes, metaphors and personification. We read and answered questions about the famous poem 'Twas the Night Before Christmas'. We also wrote some Christmas Haikus. In maths, we have revised the four rules of number that we have been working on this term by solving Christmas word problems. We have also completed some festive questions relating to line

graphs. As part of our work in IT, we have used a spreadsheet to plan a budget. We had to use different formulas including: multiplication, division, SUM, and division. A huge thank you for all of your support this term. We wish you all a very safe, joyous and happy Christmas and look forward to seeing you all in the new year. Nadolig Llawen!

Tata Steel TSUK Christmas Appeal 2025 ~ Thank you to Teddy's mum, who has kindly supported some of our families through the TSUK Christmas Appeal 2025 (Tata Steel). Donations included new toys, pyjamas, and toiletry sets, which will make a real difference to our families this Christmas. Thank you — we truly appreciate your generosity and continued support for our school community.



Year 3 News ~ What a busy couple of weeks we have had! We are extremely proud of all the pupils who took part in the Christmas concert, from learning their lines to singing the songs with pride. It was wonderful to see everyone joining in with such enjoyment.



In literacy, we have been using descriptive language to learn all about winter. We read the story Jack Frost, and the pupils worked cooperatively to rearrange the story correctly, discussing the characters and the plot. They wrote fantastic acrostic poems about winter and Jack Frost. The pupils also wrote a letter to Santa, discussing how it's not just about receiving

presents but about spending time with family and friends. In maths, they enjoyed using rulers and tape measures to measure the length of items. They began by estimating and then measuring accurately to the nearest 0.5 cm. They were able to compare the length of items and record and identify the longest. They had fun working in pairs, measuring parts of the body, from the length of their arm and leg to the circumference of their head. We hope you all have a wonderful half term and enjoy the festive season. Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year!



A Huge Thank You to Friends of Baglan (PTA) ~ We would like to extend our heartfelt thanks to the incredible Friends of Baglan (PTA) for their continued support throughout this term. Thanks to their hard work and generosity, our pupils were able to enjoy a range of wonderful activities, including the Halloween disco, pumpkin hunt, the pantomime Cinderella, and the sweets that Father Christmas was able to give to every child. These memorable experiences have brought so much joy to our school community, and we are extremely grateful for all that the PTA does to support our children. We would like to wish everyone involved a very happy and prosperous New Year.

We would also like to thank Father Christmas and Mrs Christmas who have been to visit us in stay and play and also during our Winter Wonderland Day this week. We know how busy they are at this time of year, so thank you for visiting us!



Nursery News ~ We have had a very festive and fun last week in school! On Tuesday, we took part in our annual 'Winter Wonderland' day. We enjoyed making reindeer food, creating a decoration, singing along to Christmas songs, taking part in festive fitness and making a reindeer cake. We also had a visit from someone very special! Wednesday was 'Party on a Plate' day and we had so much fun, dancing and having some party food with our friends. We have also been busy creating lists for Santa



using the toy the catalogue to help us choose. We practised our scissors skills, by cutting out the different items we wanted.



In class we have been practising our counting skills and recognising and matching the correct Numicon tiles to the numbers. What a busy week! The children have worked so hard this term, and we are very proud of all of them! Have a lovely Christmas break and we look forward to seeing everyone in January. Merry Christmas from everyone in the Nursery.

Year 5 News ~ We have had a busy week in Year 5. We planned and wrote our persuasive letters to Mrs Morgan on whether we feel we

should wear a school uniform or not. We started by looking at a good example of a persuasive letter, highlighting the features that made it successful. We then split into groups and thought of arguments for wearing uniform and against wearing uniform. We shared our ideas as a class so that everyone had all the necessary information to make an informed choice. Once we had decided if we were for or against it, we planned our letters, ensuring we had all the essential information ready, and then wrote our letters. We had to include all the successful features we have identified in the good example, such as emotive language, rule of three, rhetorical questions and including a balance of arguments. In maths, we have been working on co-ordinates. We have learnt how to read and plot coordinates on one and four quadrants. We completed a tricky plotting activity on four quadrants that eventually created the shape of a helicopter. We have also had a movie afternoon in class this week. It was great fun moving all the tables and creating our own mini cinema. It really got us into the holiday mood. We also had party on a plate this week where we enjoyed being able to party and dance with our friends. We hope that everyone has a lovely winter break, and we will see you all in the new year.



Shining Stars ~ Ser Disglair



Miss Wilson ~ Nursery	Elena H ~ for her super counting and matching the correct Numicon. Da iawn Elena. Finley H ~ for a super week and exploring lots of new experiences.
Mrs Challenger ~ Reception	Myles D ~ for enjoying our Christmas concert and seeing Father Christmas. Wilfred D ~ for his great Fred Talk when following clues to find the elf.
Mr Atkins ~ Dosbarth 1	Bleddyn DC ~ for giving good justifications and reasons in our odd one out activity. Da iawn Bleddyn. Justin A ~ for his excellent sequencing of the Christmas Story, well done Justin.
Mrs Giles ~ Dosbarth 1 a 2	Noah R ~ for his fantastic measuring in cms in maths, gwyh. Sam C ~ for his great word finding on a Christmas Boggle activity. Gwaith da.
Miss Randall ~	Grace C ~ for always trying her hardest during maths lessons.

Dosbarth 3	Ardderchog Grace. Maddox R ~ for always demonstrating a positive attitude to school life. Da iawn Maddox.
Mrs Roosmalen/ Mrs Selley ~ Dosbarth 3 a 4	Blake R ~ for his excellent work when writing a newspaper report. Ardderchog Blake. Amelia E ~ for her creative work when creating silhouette art, da iawn Amelia.
Miss Noon ~ Dosbarth 4 a 5	Isla H ~ for her super work in maths, addition and subtraction, bendigedig! Theo R ~ for retelling the Christmas story with confidence.
Mrs Myatt ~ Dosbarth 5	Ralph P ~ for helping his friend with his work, diolch Ralph. Jacob C ~ for being extremely kind to another pupil in the class, helping them when they were upset, ffantastig Jacob and diolch.
Mrs Smart ~ Dosbarth 6	Alfie G and Daisy S ~ for working hard on their description of a Christmas scene, Da iawn.
Mrs White ~ all classes	Alfie BW ~ for working hard in technology lessons this term. Ardderchog! Lola P ~ for always trying her best, bendigedig Lola.

Dates for the Diary	
05.01.2026	Pupils return to school
16.01.2026	CAMHs Parental Workshop 9 am (Emotional Regulation)
23.01.2026	CAMHs Parental Workshop 9 am (Anger)
30.01.2026	CAMHs Parental Workshop 9 am (Worries)
13.02.2026	CAMHs Parental Workshop 9 am (Self-esteem and resilience)
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

On behalf of all the governors, staff and pupils at Baglan Primary School, may we wish you a restful and relaxing Christmas.

We look forward to seeing everyone return safely on Monday 5th January 2026.

