

Headteachers Note:

So we are now into the last half term of the school year and we have lots of activities planned for the pupils, including transition mornings so the pupils will get used to their new class and know who their teacher will be next year.

Many thanks to everyone who came along to the opening of the Big Bocs Bwyd and our jubilee celebration. It was so wonderful to see us all back together. The 'pay as you feel' shop will be open throughout the term time (see schools for timings). Please come along and help with the reduction of food waste.

As you can see, weather permitting, we have sports day planned for July 12th and this will be open for parents too – at last! Foundation Phase will be in the morning and KS2 in the afternoon, but we will send out more details closer to the day.

With the weather warming up, could I ask you put sun cream on your child before coming to school, provide them with a water bottle and hat. Many Thanks

PLEASE REMEMBER NO CARS ARE TO ENTER THE CARPARK BETWEEN 8:45 – 9:15A.M. AND 3:00 – 3:20P.M. FOR THE SAFETY OF PUPILS AND PARENTS

Also, a quick reminder regarding attendance. It is so important your child attends school every day. The EWO are checking carefully regarding pupils attendance and letters and visitor are being made to any pupil's attendance that is particularly low. If your child is absent, please ensure you ring the office to inform us on the morning of their absence.

Nursery: Miss Powell

We have been busy since half term in Nursery!

We have been practising using directions and coding to move the Beebot in different ways! We have been able to code the Beebot to move to different places on a map, and we have also been able to practise using them on our own to follow instructions to make shapes.

We have also been on a walk this week to see the different colour cars around the school. We were very sensible on the walk, and listened very well.

We have also been thinking about pushes and pulls, and thinking of different ways that we can show them. We have also been practising different pushes and pulls around the classroom.

Reception/Year 1: Mrs Pickering

In Reception and Year 1 we have been continuing our topic of 'Space'. We have been looking at different facts such as who were the first men and women in space as well as who was the first dog.

We have used our facts and different resources to make stop motion videos on the iPad. This has been so much fun.

In maths we have been learning about money and have completed lots of tasks such as coin rubbings, searching for buried treasure in the sand and role play in the shop. We have used our knowledge of money to solve tricky word problems and found the correct coins to pay for items that we would need to go on a space mission.

We have enjoyed practising our Welsh oracy and writing skills and have been learning some new sentence patterns. We can now talk about our clothes and where we live.

On Friday we enjoyed our first class trip to the cinema. Mrs Pickering was so impressed with how well we behaved. We were a credit to the school!

YNYSFACH NEWS

June 17, 2022

UPCOMING DATES

June 21st – singing (all year groups)

June 21st Gemma Welsh – KS2

June 22nd & 29th & July 6th & 13th & 20th – Nu – yr 2 gymnastics

June 24th – Sport Aid (details to follow)

July 1st – INSET Day (School closed to pupils)

July 6th – Welsh yards games

July 7th & 8th – nursery stay for lunch (details to follow)

July 8th – Ynni da – all year groups

July 11th – Health and wellbeing week/ Ambulance service KS2

July 12th – SPORTS DAY – Fph a.m. KS 2 p.m.

July 14th – Year 1-2 jamboree

July 14th – Gemma Welsh – yard games

July 15th – Cheer and Dance – all year groups

July 18th – Reports to parents

July 21st – year 6 leavers show – a.m. (details to follow)

July 22nd – INSET DAY – SUMMER HOLIDAYS

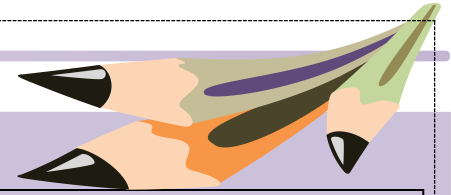
Sept 5th – INSET DAY

Sept 6th – all pupils return to school

TELEPHONE IS NOT MANNED BETWEEN 3.30PM AND 8.40 AM. PLEASE LEAVE A MESSAGE IF IT IS URGENT. MANY THANKS

Year 5 – Miss Gardiner

We've had a lovely fortnight in Year 5 since returning after our half term break. In maths, we have been recapping our multiplication and division skills - really building our confidence in these areas. In literacy, we have planned and written our own diary entries - constantly editing and redrafting to produce our best efforts. In topic, we have started constructing our own balloon car to learn more about how things work. We are excited to be 'in charge' of our Red Dragon Shop next week, can't wait to see you there!



Year 1/2 : Miss Evans We have had a brilliant start to our final term in Year 1 /2. We have been learning how to tell the time, beginning with analogue clocks. We have learned how to construct a clock, what each hand represents, how many minutes are between each number and how long it takes for the minute hand to go all around once. We have also been able to tell the time to o'clock, half past and even quarter past and quarter to. We have been working on digital times this week too. We have found this a little trickier and will keep working hard. We have been learning our new Pie Corbett story, 'Monkey See, Monkey Do'. We have added actions to aid our retelling of the story and have been able to draw a story map. In science, we have planned an investigation to find out the best growing conditions for a plant. We have chosen 4 different conditions to consider. Two have been placed on the windowsill, one with both sun and water, one with sun but no water, then two have been placed in the cupboard, one with water but no sun and one with no water and no sun. All children have made predictions as to which they think will be the best conditions, providing reasons for their choice. We can't wait to find out the results. We have taken part in two Neath Afan Gymnastics sessions so far and have been having great fun learning different techniques and skills to improve our balance and coordination. We have also written instructions, how to make a pirate hat making sure we included a title, bossy verbs and numbered steps. Please take a look at our Google Classroom, where you will find a little time related homework task.

Year 3 : Mrs D'Angeli

We had a lovely few weeks in Year 3 and have been working super hard. In science we have been so clever writing up evaluations from our investigations. We made so many clever prediction and worked well in our groups. Mrs D'Angeli was so proud of our efforts. We have also been investigating different organs in the body, locating them and beginning to understand their different functions. In welsh we have been busy using the past tense and planning a 5 day healthy diary. We have worked so hard remembering different vocabulary and using past tense sentence patterns. In Maths we have been using the column method to subtract numbers. We have also been revising analogue times and getting to grips with digital time too. Our efforts have been amazing! Ardderchog pawb!!

Year 4 Mrs Thomas

Welcome back to the last half term in year 4. We have had a busy time since returning to school. In maths we have been learning all about angles. We have identified the different types and used a protractor to measure angles. It was really tricky to get to grips with but we soon got the hang of it and worked really hard to measure different angles. We have started to revise our addition and subtraction skills. It was fun to go outdoors to carry out our learning this week. In English, we have highlighted the features of a newspaper report, looked at examples of effective headlines and begun writing our own. In our topic work 'How Things Work' we have continued looking at extreme weather. We have found out about extreme weather events that have happened around the world. We then used a world map to locate the event and used a key/symbol to highlight it on the map. We have really developed our Welsh oracy skills over the past few weeks and we are now ready to plan our own welsh recount.

Year 6 – Mrs Thomas/ Miss LeMasurier

Another busy two weeks in Year 6. In Literacy, we have been working on our warning stories. We have been focusing on writing setting descriptions and using powerful adjectives. In maths, we have been adding and subtracting fractions. In topic, we have been looking at forces and will be investigating friction. Katie from the Swans has been in to help us to practise our use of tactics and skills during games and we have been busy rehearsing for our Leavers' assembly.



Big Bocs Bwyd

Shop opening Times

Tuesday – 9:15- 10:00a.m.

Wednesday 9:15-10:00a.m.

Thursday – 2:45 – 3:30p.m.

Friday – 9:15-10:00a.m.

The shop will be closed during INSET
training days, school holidays and
Bank holidays

If the shop is open any other times we
will schoop out a message.