# HENDREFOILAN PRIMARY SCHOOL YSGOL GYNRADD HENDREFOILAN



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### Newsletter

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## Monday 6<sup>th</sup> November 2023

#### **Inclusion and Equality**

At Hendrefoilan Primary School we are committed to ensuring equality of education and opportunity for all pupils, staff, parents, and carers receiving services from the school, irrespective of disability, race, gender, age, sexual orientation, religion or belief, gender reassignment, pregnancy & maternity, marriage, and civil partnership. We aim to develop a culture of inclusion and diversity in which all those connected to the school feel proud of their identity and able to participate fully in school life. We will tackle discrimination by the positive promotion of equality, actively challenging bullying and stereotypes and creating an environment which champions respect for all. At Hendrefoilan we believe that diversity is a strength, which should be respected and celebrated by all those who learn, teach, and visit here.

# Religion Values and Education (RVE)

At Hendrefoilan, we follow the locally agreed syllabus for Religion Values and Education (RVE). RVE is a statutory requirement of the Curriculum for Wales and is mandatory for all learners from ages 3 to 16. RVE forms part of the Humanities Area. The Area encompasses Business Studies, Geography, History, Religion, Values and Ethics and Social Studies. These disciplines share many common themes, concepts and transferable skills whilst having their own discrete body of knowledge and skills. RVE at Hendrefoilan is delivered in accordance with the Swansea locally agreed syllabus for RVE (2022). Our curriculum is planned to ensure that all pupils receive objective, critical and pluralistic RVE and are given opportunities to develop their religious literacy throughout their time in Hendrefoilan. In accordance with Welsh Government legislation, there is no right to withdraw from RVE. Please click here for Swansea's Agreed Syllabus for RVE.

# Relationships and Sexuality Education (RSE)

Hendrefoilan's curriculum embraces the RSE Code. Our RSE provision will have a positive and empowering role in our learners' education and will play a vital role in supporting them to realise the four purposes as part of a whole-school approach. Helping learners to form and maintain a range of relationships, all based on mutual trust and respect, is the foundation of RSE. These relationships are critical to the development of emotional well-being, resilience and empathy. In accordance with Welsh Government legislation, there is no right to withdraw from RSE. Please click here for the RSE Overview, RSE Progression Mapping

## **School Improvements**

Dolphin classroom looks wonderful, following half term holiday improvements. Here are the pupils admiring the newly painted walls, renovated cloakroom, en-suite toilets and newly carpeted floors.



A new canopy is in place on bottom yard. Paid for by Hendrefoilan's PTA.



The school's hedges have been cut back to keep pupils safe and allow us to make the most of the views over Swansea bay.



Across the school, many classes have new learning areas. Here are the pupils from Sharks class visiting the Vets!



## **Shwmae Day**

Together we raised £415 on Shwmae Day. The Criw Cymraeg have decided to use the money for the Welsh Whisperer – he will join us at Hendrefoilan on 21<sup>st</sup> November. He will compose and perform a song in Welsh that represents our school. This will help Hendrefoilan become the first school in the Swansea Bay Partnership to attain the Siarter laith Silver Award.

## PTA Hallowe'en Disco and Christmas Fete.

The PTA Hallowe'en Fancy Dress Discos raised £450. Thank you to those who organised and helped make the discos such an exciting and fun time for the pupils.



The Christmas Fete is planned for Thursday 30<sup>th</sup> November and the Hendrefoilan PTA is always looking for family members to lend a hand.

## **Dates**

Monday 13<sup>th</sup> November – Y5 to Caerleon.

Monday 13th November – Dawn Thomas (Nature Days) Y3 and Y4.

Tuesday 14<sup>th</sup> and Wednesday 15<sup>th</sup> November – New phone system fitted (possible temporary disruption to the school's phone system).

Thursday 16<sup>th</sup> November – Afternoon nursery new starters visit 2-3 pm.

Thursday 16<sup>th</sup> November – Y5/Y6 Football Tournament.

Tuesday 21st November – Girls Urdd Netball Tournament.

Tuesday 21st November – Welsh Whisperer.

Monday 27<sup>th</sup> November – Elves needed at St Hilary's.

Tuesday 28th November – Mixed Urdd Netball Tournament.

Thursday 30<sup>th</sup> November – Christmas Fete.

Friday 1st December – Flu Nasal Spray, Reception to Y6.

Tuesday 5<sup>th</sup> December – 1.15 pm Visitors from the Old Vicarage Nursing Home.

Wednesday 6<sup>th</sup> December – 2.15pm Small Choir to Forget-me-nots at Siloam

Friday 8<sup>th</sup> December – 2pm Small choir and orchestra to the Old Vicarage Nursing Home.

Monday 11<sup>th</sup> December – Christmas Plays.

Tuesday 12th December – Christmas Plays.

Wednesday 13<sup>th</sup> December – Christmas Plays.

Thursday 14<sup>th</sup> December – Christmas Dinner.

Tuesday 19<sup>th</sup> December – Christmas Party.

Wednesday 20<sup>th</sup> December – Christmas Party.

Thursday 21<sup>st</sup> December – Christmas Dinner (tbc)

Friday 22<sup>nd</sup> December – INSET.

## **INSET days**

Friday 22<sup>nd</sup> December 2023 Monday 8<sup>th</sup> January 2024 Monday 8<sup>th</sup> April 2024

Kindest regards, Mrs Field Pennaeth, Ysgol Gynradd Hendrefoelan Headteacher, Hendrefoilan Primary School 01792 290223











