

# Newsletter 19/03/24



As we come to the end of a very busy spring term 2024, we have so many wonderful events to share with you.

In February, our school choir braved the weather conditions to perform 'No Freedom' by Miley Cyrus at the Holocaust Memorial Service. It was a wonderful and moving performance. Da iawn pawb, we are all so proud of your performance, and thank you to everyone who supported the event.

Linked to the concept of 'Community' Year 4/5 class and our junior pupils had an inspirational visit from WRU referee Craig Evans to discuss the characteristics of what makes a good team.

We have been learning how to keep ourselves safe online considering online communities during Safer Internet day 2024 whilst considering how online platforms have changed over time. We could not believe how mobile phones and computers have changed! We enjoyed a visit from the Dog's Trust, learning how to keep safe around dogs. Year 2 and Year 5 pupils also enjoyed a recent visit from the Fire Service sharing important fire safety messages.



As part of our concept of 'Community' our Year 1 & 2 pupils have been learning how to cross the road safely within our local community, diolch NPT Road Safety.

Our junior netball team enjoyed a local netball tournament with our sporting friends and came joint 1<sup>st</sup> place. Bendigedig pawb, we look forward to more sporting events in the summer term.



Our Eco committee and Year 3/4 pupils have continued to look after our birds, making and sharing their bird feeders and searching for different varieties of birds around our school grounds. We enjoyed our assembly about recycling and the importance of looking after our world with Reverend Fortunato and our daffodils planted by our gardening club created a beautiful display blooming just in time for St David's Day.



Our St David's Day celebrations this year included our annual eisteddfod with our amazing Art competition, house team singing competition, poetry recital and class performances including stories, songs and poems about Wales.

Thank you for supporting children with their amazing art competition entries, I know how much the children enjoyed appreciating each other's work. Also, thank you so much for supporting our Twmpath on St David's Day. It was wonderful to see so many of you joining us in school, celebrating our welsh culture and dancing.

We had a fantastic time and hope you all enjoyed too.



Our annual sale of Marie Curie daffodils raised £23.00 for this worthy cause, diolch pawb.

On March 8<sup>th</sup> we celebrated World Book Day. The children came to school dressed as their favourite character from a book or wearing pyjamas ready for a bedtime story, and looked fantastic!

We all enjoyed celebrating our favourite authors and stories, and thank you for continuing to support our Scholastic book fair in school.



We raised £97.45 for Comic Relief on March 15<sup>th</sup> supporting people facing poverty across the UK and around the world. Thank you for your very generous donations, diolch yn fawr pawb.

Our whole school attendance so far this year is 93.18%. This is a fantastic improvement, thank you all so much for your commitment to ensure that every learning opportunity is taken full advantage of by each and every child at Blaengwrach Primary. Just a reminder that pupils should arrive between 8.40am & 8.50am- school starts with registration at 8.50am, pupils who arrive after 9.00am are marked as late. If your child is unable to attend school, please ring and inform us of the reason. Telephone: 01639 720342

Thank you for continuing to support our pre-loved uniform initiative in school. We hope to continue to grow this initiative over the coming months. If you have any summer uniform – dresses, shorts, etc. to boost our stock we would be very grateful of your kind donations. Also, if you have any fancy dress costumes that children no longer wear and you wish to contribute to our pre-loved uniform, I'm sure they would be a valuable addition. What a fantastic suggestion from you as parents/carers, Diolch pawb.

As we near the end of the Spring term, children in Years 3-6 enjoyed workshops on Easter week as part of an Easter Experience with Church of Wales.



We hope that you all enjoyed our recent class open sessions, joining your children in their lessons and celebrating their learning journey this term. It was lovely to see you all working alongside the children in their lessons and taking part in class activities, for example, following a recipe to make playdough, participating in PE sessions, supporting children with their ICT

work, enjoying a puppet show, creating a double bubble map to compare and contrast dinosaurs, identifying the qualities of a good leader and thinking skills activities. Thank you for supporting the sessions and we look forward to planning future open events.

Do you shop online? Please join [easyfundraising.org.uk](https://www.easyfundraising.org.uk) and raise a free donation for Blaengwrach Primary School every time you shop! There are no catches or hidden charges. <https://www.easyfundraising.org.uk/causes/blaengwrachprimary/>





Our next Rags to Riches collection is on **Thursday 23<sup>rd</sup> May 2024**. Please drop off bags of clothes, shoes, bags, bedding (no duvets or pillows) etc. towards this worthy cause. This projects brings valuable funds in to school and ensures our items are reused and recycled- thank you everyone.



## DATES

Monday 8 <sup>th</sup> April	INSET - School Closure
Tuesday 9 <sup>th</sup> April	Pupils return for the Summer Term 2024
Tuesday 9 <sup>th</sup> April	Closing date for Parent Governor Applications
Wednesday 10 <sup>th</sup> April 3.20pm	Y5 Abernant Meeting for the Residential visit 23 <sup>rd</sup> to 25 <sup>th</sup> October 2024
Wednesday 17 <sup>th</sup> April	Height, weight and vision screening for Reception pupils
Monday 22 <sup>nd</sup> April	Samba drum workshop with NPT Cerdd for Years 3-6
Tuesday 23 <sup>rd</sup> April	B2 enterprising and business skills programme launch supported by Fleet-EV for Year 1/2 pupils.
Wednesday 24 <sup>th</sup> April	Brake Beep Beep road safety day
Friday 26 <sup>th</sup> April	Llangatwg transition visit to school for Year 6
Monday 29 <sup>th</sup> April	PCSO visit and lesson for Year 5/6
Monday 6 <sup>th</sup> May	Bank Holiday
Wednesday 22 <sup>nd</sup> to Friday 24 <sup>th</sup> May	Llangrannog residential for Year 4 pupils
Friday 24 <sup>th</sup> May	Last day before the half-term break
Monday 27 <sup>th</sup> to Friday 31 <sup>st</sup> May	SUMMER HALF TERM
Monday 3 <sup>rd</sup> June	Return to school
Friday 19 <sup>th</sup> July	INSET - School Closure

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Thank you for your support,  
wishing you all a wonderful Easter Holiday.

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