



Glan Llyn Primary School
Ysgol Gynradd **Glan Llyn**

Summer Newsletter 1 – 11th April 2024

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New Term

Welcome back! We hope you had a safe and enjoyable Easter break. Eid Mubarak to all our families celebrating this week.

The children enjoyed a positive (albeit very short) Spring Term and it was lovely to see such high attendance at our Open Doors session where the children shared their work and environments proudly with you. Thank you for your feedback prior to the parent-teacher reflection meetings. I read all of this feedback which not only informs your ongoing partnership with the class teachers, but also helps the school as a whole to identify common areas to develop and also the areas to celebrate. As always, if you have any questions or concerns outside of the progress review cycle, please chat with the class teachers as soon as possible to enable them to support you and your child throughout the term. Concerns should always be raised initially with a class teacher but if you still require additional support or clarification, you can request to meet with a member of the Senior Leadership Team by emailing the school directly.

Thank you for your ongoing support and we look forward to working with you throughout the Summer Term to further support your child's wellbeing and progress.

Summer Term Dates

Please see a list of key dates on Page 2 for key events taking place throughout the Summer Term. We aim to give as much notice as possible to families to enable you to plan ahead. Due to the positive feedback we have received in relation to the Open Doors sessions, we have added this event into the Summer Term as well this year alongside the usual annual written report on progress which you will receive in the middle of July. Prior to this Open Doors Session, we will be holding a curriculum workshop for families and you will have the opportunity to feed into the evaluation of our new curriculum to help support refinements for the 2024/25 academic year.

Year 3 – Lower Primary Curriculum Showcase

Children in Year 3 are currently preparing a "Curriculum Showcase" for their parents and carers which will be held in the school hall on Thursday 25th April at 10am. They are looking forward to sharing aspects of their curriculum from their Lower Primary years with you and we invite you to stay afterwards for coffee and feedback. Further information will be shared via SeeSaw.

After-School Activities – Summer Term

We try and offer as many additional curriculum enrichment sessions as we can and thank our staff for their commitment to giving their time to run these for the children. This term we will be expanding the offer to give the option of a club to our Year 1 pupils as well.

Further information and a link to book has been sent separately. These clubs will run from Monday 15th April – Thursday 27th June.

Family Engagement

The workshop that we ran in February on behaviour and relationships was well-received and we are considering repeating this in the Summer Term to support transition to new year groups, as we feel this may help with anxieties felt by children and families when faced with class changes. The presentation and resources that we shared will be sent to all families via SeeSaw this week.

During the Summer Term, we are also trialling some Family Learning sessions, starting with our youngest pupils in Nursery.

We would be interested to hear from families if there are any specific areas which you would appreciate us considering for future workshops or family learning. Please email the school with any suggestions.

Diary Dates –Spring/Summer 2024

Monday 25 th March – Friday 5 th April	School Holidays
Monday 8 th April	Return to school
Monday 22 nd April – Friday 10 th May	Y5 Swimming (3 week block)
Thursday 25 th April	Y3 Curriculum Showcase 10am
Tuesday 14 th May	Nursery Welcome Meeting 4pm
Thursday 16 th May	Prader-Willi Awareness Day
Monday 20 th May	Colorfoto Class Photos
Mon 27 th – Fri 31 st May	Half-term
Monday 3 rd June	Return to School
Monday 10 th June	LRB Sports (2pm)
Tuesday 11 th June	Nursery Sports (10am and 2pm)
Wednesday 12 th June	Reception Sports 2pm
Thursday 13 th June	Year 1 Sports 10:30am
Thursday 13 th June	Year 2 Sports 2pm
Friday 14 th June	Year 3/4 Sports 10:30am
Friday 14 th June	Year 5/6 Sports 2pm
W/C 17 th June	Assessment Week (Y2-Y6 Hwb Online Assessments)
Tuesday 18 th June	Reception Welcome Meeting 4pm
Tuesday 25 th June	Curriculum Workshop 2pm
Tuesday 25 th June	Open Doors (3:45-5:45)
26 th /27 th June	Y5 Curriculum Days at LHS
Friday 28 th June	INSET Day
Thursday 4 th July	Y6 Transition Day to LHS
Tues 9 th – Thurs 11 th July	Y4-6 Musical (Times TBC)
Friday 12 th July	PTFA Summer Fayre 3pm
Tuesday 16 th July	Transition Day (Moving Up)
Thursday 18 th July	Y6 Leavers' Concert 2pm
Friday 19 th July	Last Day of Term
Mon 22 nd July – Fri 30 th August	School Holidays

May Day: Monday 6th May 2024

Remaining INSET Days:

INSET 6: Friday 28th June 2024

New Waste Law - April 2024

You may be aware that from the 6th April, it became law for all businesses and public sector organisations to sort their waste for recycling. This has led to a reduction in general waste collections and an increase in recycling. If any children still bring packed lunches from home, they will now need to keep all of their waste from home in their lunchboxes to dispose of at home as the canteen is only disposing of food waste from school-provided meals. The children have been made aware of this change and we are using this as a learning opportunity for children to reduce their use of non-recyclable packaging.

Lettings Policy

The Governing Body have been made aware of concerns in the local community regarding the use of the 3G pitch after school hours. It would appear that, despite the school's best efforts to enforce the terms and conditions of the hire agreement, there has still been numerous problems with unsafe parking. Therefore, we are undertaking an urgent review of the policy with a view to make amendments in preparation for the new academic year. We will keep you updated.

Attendance

The Governing Body have set an attendance target this year of **94%** and current school attendance stands at **94.4%**.

As we move into the Summer, a reminder that no holidays will be authorised in term time. Please try and arrange your holidays during the school holidays and aim for your child to be in school every day to keep their attendance high. This is proven to have a positive impact on children's wellbeing and progress in learning.

Uniform

Uniform stays the same throughout the year, but the option of navy gingham summer dresses and navy shorts is added as the weather becomes warmer. Children should still wear sensible black shoes with their summer uniform - plain black trainers are permitted. Please do not allow your child to wear sandals, flip flops or Crocs to school as these are a health and safety risk when the children are playing.

As the warmer weather approaches, please ensure your child has additional items - sunhats, sunscreen and water bottles in school. A lightweight coat is still recommended as we go into the summer months as it can still be chilly and wet outside.

In the event of extreme heat or sunshine, additional risk assessments are in place to limit the children's exposure to the sun. If we need to temporarily relax the uniform policy during very hot weather, we will send out a message to let you know.

*Cofion cynnes / Kind regards,
Mrs Richards and staff*