



Glan Llyn Primary School
Ysgol Gynradd Glan Llyn

Spring Newsletter - February 2026

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Spring Term

This term is always a very busy and exciting one with lots of lovely events in school and the (hopeful) arrival of Spring and brighter, longer days.

We will send regular reminders about upcoming events and further information can also be found on the class pages on SeeSaw.

Half Term and INSET Days

A reminder that we break up for half term on Friday 13th February. Children return to school Monday 23rd February. We then have two INSET days on Friday 27th February and the following Monday 2nd March.

Eisteddfod

This will be held on Tuesday 3rd March. Children are invited to wear traditional clothing on this day or an outfit inspired by Wales.

World Book Day

Always an exciting day in school! This will be held on Thursday 5th March and children are invited to come into school dressed as a character from a book. Please do not spend lots of money on costumes – home made and creative are often the best!

Nursery Concert

Due to the short Spring Term, this year we have scheduled the Nursery Concert to take place after the Easter Break. Nursery children are planning a short musical around the story of Little Red Riding Hood and performances will be on Wednesday 29th April at 10am (Morning Nursery) and 2:30pm (Afternoon Nursery). More information will be shared via SeeSaw by Nursery staff.

Year 3 Showcase

As they complete their transition into Juniors and come to the end of their Lower Primary curriculum, Year 3 pupils will be providing a curriculum showcase for parents capturing the many things they have experienced since starting school. This will take place on Wednesday 20th May at 9:30am.

Hapus i Siarad Cymraeg

The Criw Cymraeg are working together to create a dedicated monthly SeeSaw update regarding our phrases of the month and this should be up and running shortly.

The themes the children are exploring this term are:

February - Where I Live and Who I live with

March - What I have got and haven't got (Possession)

Reading

Children read regularly in school and teachers monitor progress constantly and make decisions regarding movement through the reading scheme. Senior leaders monitor progress carefully and recent evaluations have indicated that where there is close collaboration between parents and staff and regular reading both in school and at home, children make very good progress. Therefore, we would encourage you all to ensure daily reading at home to help children apply their skills frequently. Staff will be receiving additional training on reading development in the next INSET Day and we will be looking to organise a reading workshop for parents later in the school year.

Personalised Assessments

All children from Years 2 to 6 (unless disapplied) will be undertaking their midpoint assessments week commencing 9th February. We are looking into how we share the reports from these assessments online via Hwb and teachers will discuss these reports with you during the March parent-teacher reflection meetings which are scheduled for week commencing 23rd March.

Open Doors

The Spring Term Open Doors evening will be held on Tuesday 10th March. This is an opportunity for children to share their work and progress with you at the midpoint of the school year. A link to book a slot for this will be sent out after half-term.

Diary Dates – 2025/2026

Mon 16 th – Fri 20 th February	Half-term
Monday 23 rd February	Return to School
Friday 27 th February	INSET Day
Monday 2 nd March	INSET Day
Tuesday 3 rd March	St David's Day celebrations
Thursday 5 th March	World Book Day
Tuesday 10 th March	Open Doors (3:45-5:45)
Friday 20 th March	Comic Relief and World Down Syndrome Awareness
W/C 23 rd March	Parent-Teacher Reflection Meetings
Friday 27 th March	Last Day of Term
Mon 31 st March – Fri 10 th April	Easter Holidays
Monday 13 th April	Return to School
Mon 13 th – Weds 15 th April	Y6 Residential Trip
Wednesday 29 th April	Nursery Concert (10am / 2:30pm)
Mon 4 th May	May Bank Holiday
Tuesday 5 th May	Colorfoto – Class Photos
Mon 11 th May	Y5 swimming (3 week block)
Tuesday 19 th May	Nursery Welcome Meeting
Wednesday 20 th May	Year 3 Showcase (9:30am)
Mon 25 th May – Fri 29 th May	Half-term
Monday 1 st June	Return to School
Tuesday 9 th June	Reception Welcome Meeting
W/C 15 th June	Sports Day Week (dates tbc)
W/C 22 nd June	Personalised Assessments (Y2-6)
W/C 6 th July	Y4-6 Musical (dates tbc)
Tuesday 14 th July	Moving Up Day
Wednesday 15 th July	Y6 Leavers' Concert (2:30pm)
Thursday 16 th July	Last Day of Term
Friday 17 th July	INSET DAY 5
Monday 20 th July	INSET Day 6
Tues 21 st July – Monday 31 st August	Summer Holidays

Remaining INSET Days:

INSET 3: Friday 27th February 2026

INSET 4: Monday 2nd March 2026

INSET 5: Friday 17th July 2026

INSET 6: Monday 20th July 2026

May Day: Monday 4th May 2026

Inclement Weather

As communicated earlier this term, there are multiple factors to be considered when schools are faced with weather that could pose health and safety risks. Risk assessments are taken early to determine if the school is safe to open for children and staff and we endeavour to let parents know of any necessary closures as soon as possible with an aim of communicating information by 7:30am.

Attendance

As mentioned in the letter sent previously, we are now being encouraged to make more use of Fixed Penalty Notices for unauthorised absences in term time.

Our current attendance stands at 94.2%.

A reminder that holidays in term time will not be authorised as per NCC's recommended policy. Where the number of unauthorised absences exceeds 5 days, attendance processes need to be triggered and fixed penalty notices will be issued when unauthorised absences exceed the limit indicated by the Local Authority.

Safeguarding and Child Protection

A reminder that the school is bound by the processes laid out in the Wales Safeguarding Procedures. As discussed at Nursery and Reception Induction meetings, children will often make comments about situations at home that sometimes we may need to speak to you about. On other occasions, children may make more specific allegations or disclosures that warrant further escalation to social services. All of our staff receive regular safeguarding training and know how to respond appropriately to disclosures from children. They have a duty to report any safeguarding concerns to the Designated Safeguarding Person (Headteacher) who has enhanced safeguarding training in relation to responding to concerns and making referrals to social services.

Schools have no flexibility over whether or not to make referrals. We have a duty to report. Following referrals, schools are then bound by the direction given by social services and whilst we understand that this can be distressing for parents, we are unable to disclose any further information unless directed to by the relevant external agencies.

A leaflet from the NCC Safeguarding Team explaining steps taken following a referral is available for parents in the front office.

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