# Sgol Cefn Meiriadog Friday Newsletter

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It has been a short but super Spring term here at Ysgol Cefn Meiriadog, the children have thoroughly enjoyed their topic 'Dathliadau' and have learnt about lots of different celebrations over the past few weeks. This week has seen them bring their topics to a close with a You Tube style video from the Innovators and a class vlog from the Investigators. Unfortunately, due to the awful sickness bug that has flown around the Discoverers we have had to postpone their class wedding, this will take place after Easter.

Can I thank you all for your support this term, it was lovely to see those who came to parents evening, thank you for supporting us to support your children. A big thank you also to the staff who have worked so hard this term as always.

seeing you all on Tuesday 9th April.

Wishing you all a lovely Easter break, fingers crossed the weather improves. We look forward to



A big well done to Sophie who represented our school in the Urdd County Eisteddfod on Saturday in Llangollen Pavilion. Sophie recited a poem in front of the judges and as always, did an excellent job. Well done Sophie, we are all very proud of you.

# Outdoor Learning

Both the Innovators and Discoverers enjoyed a treat of s'mores around the fire for their last Outdoor Learning session of the term this week. They have all worked so hard outside each week and have continued to develop a range of skills and knowledge.

Da iawn pawb.



# GOLDEN CHILDREN

This week's Golden Children are Bonnie, Hannah, Amelia, Oliver, Teddy, Federico, Sophie and Poppy.

DA IAWN PAWB!



# Month of the Military Child Mis y Plentyn Milwrol

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April is designated as the Month of the Military Child, which highlights the important role Service children play in the Armed Forces community. It is a time to applaud Armed Forces families and their children for the daily sacrifices they make and the challenges they overcome.

With Service children in our school we feel it is very important that we celebrate the month of the military child and will be taking part in different activities in April.

On Monday 15th April we are asking children to come to school wearing something purple to show their support. There is no cost for this just a request to wear purple.

Purple was chosen because it symbolizes all branches of the military, a combination of Army Green, Air Force Blue, Coast Guard Blue, Marine Red and Navy Blue.

### Ysgol Cefn Meiriadog PTA

We are keen to develop our PTA (Parent Teacher Association) to ensure fund raising events can continue. At present all fund raising events are organised and delivered by school staff which is a large amount of work and is becoming increasingly difficult.

Given the current financial constraints on our budget, fund raising is vital to ensure our children continue to have some of the lovely experiences and resources they have accessed so far.

After Easter we will be inviting parents to attend an initial meeting to try and get the PTA up and running. If you think this is something you'd be interested in and have some spare time to support our school then please try and attend. A date will be shared in the Summer Term. Thank you in anticipation of your support.

#### PARENT PAY

Please can we ask you to check all Parent Pay balances and clear any outstanding. There are a number of outstanding payments for dinner money, breakfast club, after school and holiday club. A reminder to parents of children in Years 4 - 6 that the final balance for the Glan Llyn residential is due on the 20th May. Instalments have been set up on Parent Pay and the amount can be paid off as you wish.

A reminder that if you have had a change of address/ phone number to please let us know as soon as possible so records can be updated. This also includes the numbers of any emergency contacts. Should any circumstances change or should you wish to amend any consent forms etc then please get in touch with Miss Anna who will be able to assist you with this. Thank you

The School Council sold raffle tickets this week for the chance to win an Easter Hamper. Congratulations to Tomos whose name was picked this morning and to Hugo, Logan and Eddie who all won an Easter Egg.

Biggest thanks to Bonnie who initiated this and who has worked hard all week to sell the tickets.

Children have also had the chance over the past few weeks to nominate a friend who they think deserves an Easter prize. After careful consideration the winners were chosen yesterday and were announced in assembly this morning. Well done to all the winners who were chosen for being kind/funny/helpful/good friends and having lovely





#### Discoverers

What a week it has been in the Discoverers! We have managed to complete some lovely Easter craft and other eggciting activities before the dreaded sickness bug hit. The children enjoyed making their own Easter cards and they all did their best handwriting for the inside of the card. We have listened to the Easter story and talked about the celebration as part of our topic work. The children enjoyed hunting for hidden chocolate eggs on Wednesday. They worked well together, to help their friends find the eggs. It was lovely to see so many of you at our parents evenings this week, thank you for taking the time to come and talk about your child's progress.

Unfortunately, our wedding has had to be postponed until after Easter, at the mo<mark>ment we are hoping that this will take place on</mark> the 18th April with all the same timings. I will confirm this after the holiday. I would like to thank you for your continued

support this term and I hope you all have a lovely Easter break







Investigators

The Investigator's have had a very busy last week of the Spring term! It started on Monday with an Easter Egg Maths Hunt around the playground. The children worked in pairs to find the eggs that were hidden around the yard. On the backs of these were some addition and subtraction sums which they had to work out to solve the Easter riddle.

In other lessons, the children have come to the end of their 'Dathliadau/Celebrations' topic. They have worked in small groups to record a short vlog on a chosen religion/celebration that they have been learning about this term.

The children have thoroughly enjoyed this topic. They have worked well with each other to find out about different religions and customs and have had lots of learning opportunities such as taste testing foods for Chinese New Year and Ramadan and creating some dances with Miss Lloyd for St. Dwynwen's Day, a Dragon dance for Chinese New Year and a Hindu dance for the festival of Holi. They have made clay models of Hindu Deities and made Ramadan lanterns.

The topic next term is called 'Ein Byd Rhyfeddol/Our Wonderful World'. The children will have lots of opportunities to study their local area and will be taking part in lots of scientific activities. We are very much looking forward to it.

Have a lovely Easter break!







#### Innovators

The week has flown by! The class have been so busy finishing their termly projects and have all worked very hard. The final YouTube style videos look fantastic and the children should be very proud of themselves. We enjoyed experimenting with the green screen and can't wait to use it again. In Literacy, the balanced arguments are complete and we have been very impressed with the standard of work. Their language choices were mature and effective. Ardderchog pawb! We have started tackling long division in Inspire and will continue with this unit after Easter. We are looking forward to our next topic (Ein Byd Rhyfeddol/Our Wonderful World), and are excited about what our project will look like next term. Enjoy a break over







# Club Cefn Playgroup

In Playgroup this week we made junk model Easter Bunnies and a wonderful junk dragon. We tried cucumber at snack time which we cut up ourselves.

We made our own Easter chocolates shaped like Easter eggs and Easter bunnies which looked very tasty. We played a rescue the eggs game on our tuff tray using different spoons and scoops to catch them.

With the loose parts we built an obstacle course and tried it out very carefully on the field

What a busy time we have had, da iawn ti pawb!





# Club Cefn After School Club

This week in after school club we have had lots of fun decorating Easter cakes and making lots of Easter crafts. We also enjoyed playing some memory games, playing outside, and having a dance to some music. We have a busy week planned next week in holiday club and we're all looking forward to lots of exciting activities. We hope everyone has a lovely Easter.



Cymraeg Campus - Criw Cymraeg

Phrases to use at home this week Brawddeg i'w ddefnyddio adref yr "Pasg Hapus" - "Happy Easter"

Makaton As a whole school we are working hard to continue to use and learn Makaton every day. This week's sign is "Happy Easter" Please ask your child to show you the sign.

# Dates for your diary:

Monday 8th April - Staff Training Day Tuesday 9th April - School reopens Monday 15th April - Wear Purple for the Armed Forces Thursday 18th April - Discoverers wedding @ 2pm Monday 6th May – Bank Holiday Tuesday 7th May – Years 3 & 4 to St Asaph Cricket Club for cricket festival Thursday 9th & Friday 10th May - Bikeability for Year 6
Friday 24th May - Break Up for half term
Monday 3rd June - School reopens
Tuesday 18th June - Years 4, 5 & 6 residential trip to Glan Llyn Thursday 18th July - School closes for summer Friday 19th July - Staff Training Day