

# Ysgol Cefn Meiriadog

## Friday Newsletter



Friday 13th October 2023  
Dydd Gwener 13eg Hydref 2023

What a lovely end to a busy week, a huge thank you to all of you who joined us for our Harvest Service this afternoon, I'm sure you'll agree the children did a wonderful job! My thanks also to all of the staff for organising and rehearsing with the children, to Dean Nigel for his address, to Clare Vickers for all of her support with organising the church and supporting us with funding for transport and to our super car park attendants!

### PE Kits

A reminder that the school PE kit is a sky blue t shirt and black shorts or trousers. We are finding more and more children coming to school in their own clothes and not the PE kit stated in our uniform policy. A Logo t shirt is available from the Uniform Shop in Prestatyn but plain sky blue t shirts are also acceptable.

### Jewellery

Please can we ask that children do not wear bracelets/ rings/ necklaces/ large earrings to school. The only jewellery permitted is small stud earrings. Thank you for your support.

### Outdoor Learning

This week the Discoverers continued exploring the tools, they all remembered the rules and used them so well.

The Nursery explored the Forest School area yesterday, they practised wearing the puddlesuits and had a lovely session out there.

The Innovators made pancakes for the first time this week, they worked so well together and all enjoyed a delicious treat!

Da iawn pawb.

### Denbigh Food Bank

Thank you for all of the donations for the food bank, we know how much they will be appreciated and will go towards helping so many local families.

The items are being collected next week so if you haven't yet donated but would like to please send items in on Monday.  
Thank you.



**GOLDEN CHILDREN**  
This week's Golden Children are Vogue,  
Emily, Shelby, Logan and Willow.  
**DA IAWN PAWB!**



## Sponsored Walk

Thank you so much for the sponsored walk donations, we are thrilled to have raised almost £1700!! This is an incredible amount and will all be put towards activities, experiences and resources for our children over the coming weeks and term. If there are any outstanding donations please send them in as soon as possible.

## Parents Evenings

Staff are looking forward to seeing many of you in next week's Parents Evenings, there is still a handful of parents who haven't made an appointment so please get in touch as soon as possible to book.

## Behaviour

Since September we have noticed an increase in low level, disruptive behaviour amongst some of our pupils so over the coming weeks we will be addressing this in different ways. One of these ways will be a behaviour award presented in our celebration assembly on a Friday. This will be decided by our Head pupils and will be awarded to children who consistently follow the rules, who remember their manners, show kindness and are good role models for others. Please can we ask you to remind your children of the expectations when in school, thank you.



## Halloween Disco

This year's disco is being held in the Neuadd Owen from 4 - 5.30 on Thursday 26th October.

The cost for each child is £5 which will include a hot dog and juice.

There will be face painting, tattoos and sweets available on the night for an additional cost.

All Nursery and Reception children need to be accompanied by an adult.

If you would like your child to attend please send the £5 in a labelled envelope by 19th October.

PLEASE NOTE - AFTER SCHOOL CLUB WILL ONLY BE OPEN UNTIL 4PM ON THIS DAY, CHILDREN CAN BRING THEIR COSTUMES TO CHANGE INTO READY FOR THE DISCO IF NEEDED.

## MEET THE GOVERNORS

One of the actions of our Governing Body this year is to develop the whole school community's understanding of who the governors are and their role in the school. Over the next few weeks we will be introducing you to different members of the Governing Body so you have a better idea of who they are and why they chose to support Ysgol Cefn Meiriadog.

Name: Katherine Morris

Role on the Governing Body: Community Governor



I chose to become a Governor as I live in the community and my son attends the school so I wanted to be more involved.

I enjoy seeing the children interact with the themes to ignite, excite and inspire with Sami Snake, Cadi Cat, Oli Octopus & Lucy Lion which support the children with the 4 key curriculum purposes: Ambitious, capable learners, Healthy, confident individuals, Enterprising, creative contributors, Ethical, informed citizens.

In 5 years I would like to see the school going from strength to strength with pupil numbers increasing. I am most proud of being removed from Estyn's review list following the hard work that all the teachers and pupils put in.



## Discoverers

Another amazing week, full of learning in the Discoverers class. This week we have had a focus on learning about somebody from the past who helped people. We focused on Florence Nightingale. The children found out all about Florence and linked their learning to people who help us in the present day. They completed a sorting activity comparing the past and present times and recorded what they had found out about Florence Nightingale. All of our children have been busy learning new sounds or revising sounds that we have learnt. Our Nursery children are doing so well learning new sounds, this week they focused on 's'. Children in Reception and Year 1 enjoyed a circuit session during our PE lesson. They had to use lots of different skills and follow different instructions, there was some excellent listening skills used. We have continued to practise our harvest song and started to learn some new Welsh songs for the Jambori, that our Year 1 children will be attending. Next week we will be learning all about recycling and the importance of recycling to help our environment, this is part of Recycling Week. I look forward to seeing many of you during next week's parents' evenings.



## Investigators

The children have had a very busy week preparing for this afternoon's harvest service and continuing with their topic work.

In their topic, the children have with a learning partner completed their fact file poster about a famous person who has left an impression, using the website called Canva. They also have started to learn about famous Welsh people and took part in a fun picture round quiz on Thursday to try and name some of them. Following this, they have used the app Chatterpix to present their information about a Welsh celebrity. Next week, the children will be learning about local Welsh heroes who have left an impression on society.

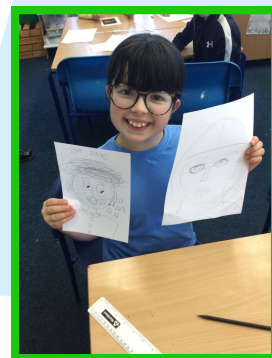
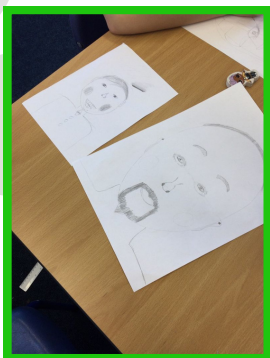
In maths, the children enjoyed a lesson outside on Monday morning in which they used natural materials to create some number bonds.

Everyone enjoyed taking part in yesterday's PE lesson in which the children took part in 10 different circuit stations. Enjoy your weekend!



## Innovators

This week the Innovators have finished finding out about our chosen significant individuals who have left an impression, and have now started thinking about what we will exhibit about them in our museum. We have begun with portraits and it was brilliant to see the children proud of their improvements when they evaluated their first attempts compared to their final pieces. Their Betsi Cadwaladr diaries are taking shape and they have been trying really hard with their vocabulary choices and historical detail. The class have also been working hard to create interactive posters using audio and video clips linked with QR codes, and their technical ability is great to see. Our Harvest Festival was a lovely event and we are very proud of the Innovators for their excellent participation.





## Clwb Cefn Playgroup

This week we have continued with our Autumn theme. We've made handprint leaves, experimented with colour mixing by rolling a ball in Autumn coloured paint and used a fork to create spikes on a hedgehog picture. Today we will be creating leaf pictures using different coloured chalks. Well done everyone. Playgroup has been transformed during the week with a spooky theme full of spiders, pumpkins and cobwebs!



## Clwb Cefn After School Club

This week we've enjoyed learning about the autumn season with an autumn theme tuff tray. We've also had fun making pizza wraps, chocolate bark and doing some train your brain activities.



## Cymraeg Campus - Criw Cymraeg

Phrases to use at home this week/ Brawddeg i'w ddefnyddio adref yr wythnos yma:

"Shwmae" - "how are things?"

## Makaton

As a whole school we are working hard to continue to use and learn Makaton every day.

This week's sign is "shwmae" Please ask your child to show you the sign.

## Dates for your diary:

- Monday 16th October - Reception Parents Evening
- Monday 16th October - Investigators Parents Evening
- Tuesday 17th October - Nursery & Year 1 Parents Evening
- Tuesday 17th October - Investigators Parents Evening
- Wednesday 18th October - Innovators Parents Evening
- Wednesday 18th October - Cross Country in Ruthin for Yrs 3 - 6
- Tuesday 24th October - Years 1 and 2 to Jambori
- Thursday 26th October - Disco in Neuadd Owen, 4 - 5.30
- Friday 27th October - Investigators trip to Conwy
- Friday 27th October - School closes for half term
- Monday 30th October - Friday 3rd November - Holiday Club
- Saturday 4th November - Cefn Bonfire and Fireworks event @ Neuadd Owen
- Monday 6th November - Staff Training Day
- Wednesday 8th November - Innovators trip to Liverpool Museum
- Wednesday 13th December - Full time pupils to the pantomime
- Monday 18th December - Christmas Concert in St Mary's Church @2pm
- Friday 22nd December - Staff Training Day
- Monday 8th January - Staff Training Day
- Monday 8th April - Staff Training Day
- Friday 19th July - Staff Training Day