

# Ysgol Cefn Meiriadog

## Friday Newsletter



Friday 24th November 2023  
Dydd Gwener 24ain Tachwedd 2023

The weather has definitely turned this week, it has been a windy cold week here at Ysgol Cefn Meiriadog!

Thank you all for your donations of chocolate today for our Christmas Fair, we are very grateful for your support. With only four weeks left of this half term, and a very busy diary, can we please ask you to keep an eye on here and Seesaw for notices and information.

Have a lovely weekend.

### Jack and the Beanstalk

A reminder that the final payment for the full time pupils trip to the panto is due on 29.11.23. This payment item is live on Parent Pay.

### Residential trip to Glan Llyn

A reminder to the parents of children in Years 4, 5 and 6 that the £25 deposit for the Glan Llyn trip is due next Friday 1st December. This is live on Parent Pay.

Can we please ask for your support in ensuring children do not bring any toys into school. We are having small issues with some pupils bringing items in from home which is either distracting in class or they are getting lost or broken which then causes upset. Thank you.

### Outdoor Learning

This week the Investigators used the storm kettles. The children worked in small groups to set, light and manage the fires. When the water was hot enough they had delicious gingerbread hot chocolate and a chocolate biscuit. Ardderchog pawb, excellent work.



**GOLDEN CHILDREN**  
This week's Golden Children are  
Jaxson, Jane, Isla, Logan, Hannah  
and Peyton.  
DA IAWN PAWB!





**Show the love**

Show the Love is the Climate Coalition's annual celebration of everything we care about and want to protect from the worst impacts of the climate crisis.

Take a look at the Climate Coalition's guide on ways you can get involved here [bit.ly/2YRNZ4y](https://bit.ly/2YRNZ4y)

Get creative by making, wearing and sharing your green hearts and remember to share your creations with use #EcoSchoolsAtHome and #ShowTheLove and tag in @theclimatecoalition!




The Climate Coalition image      The Climate Coalition image

This morning the Eco Committee shared the activity to the left and asked all of the children to have a go at it. They are asking children to make a green heart using anything they like and either bring it into school or share their work on Seesaw. This activity is designed to raise awareness of the impacts of climate change.

Children may choose to bake, sew, cross stitch, collage, draw or mould their heart (or something else!). Please can all entries be brought in or shared before the end of term.

## Christmas

For the Christmas Carol Service in church we are asking all children to wear a Christmas jumper, no costumes are needed this year.

Thank you to those who have offered to wrap presents for us, we will be in touch over the coming days to arrange collection etc.

We are on the lookout for raffle prizes so if you know anyone/ any business who might be willing to donate please let us know.



**CHRISTMAS AT YSGOL CEFN MEIRIADOG**

FRIDAY 24TH NOVEMBER - OWN CLOTHES DAY IN EXCHANGE FOR CHOCOLATE ITEMS FOR THE FAIR

FRIDAY 1ST DECEMBER - CHRISTMAS JUMPER DAY (DONATIONS TO ST KENTIGERNS)

FRIDAY 8TH DECEMBER - OWN CLOTHES DAY IN EXCHANGE FOR BOTTLES FOR THE FAIR

WEDNESDAY 13TH DECEMBER - FULL TIME PUPILS TO PANTOMIME

WEDNESDAY 13TH DECEMBER - CHRISTMAS FAIR (3.30 - 5.30)

THURSDAY 14TH DECEMBER - CHRISTMAS DINNER

MONDAY 18TH DECEMBER - CHRISTMAS CAROL SERVICE FOR ALL PUPILS IN ST. MARY'S CHURCH @ 2PM

WEDNESDAY 20TH DECEMBER - CHRISTMAS PARTY (PARTY FOOD FOR LUNCH)



This afternoon our Head Pupils joined Mrs Martin and Mrs Williams on a visit to St Kentigern's Hospice where they handed over 20 framed paintings, created by the children to brighten the corridors and rooms around the hospice.

The boys enjoyed meeting Lisa and having a tour to find out more about the incredible work that the hospice does. Next week we will be raising money for St Kentigern's with our Christmas Jumper Day.

## Discoverers

I cannot believe how fast these weeks are flying! This week the Discoverers have had another busy week with lots of activities. Our Nursery children have learnt another sound and made some new Christmas themed play doh- which even has glitter in it! We have started to sing some festive songs, which the children are all enjoying. We had a visit from Damian Harvey, an author. The children listened to various stories and engaged so well with this session, I was very proud of them all. Thanks to the help of some parents, I have introduced some new reading material to our reading area, the children are really enjoying looking through the leaflets and magazines. It is amazing to see them choosing to read independently, please keep any donations coming in. The Discoverers have been painting people who help us, they have chosen who they want to paint and we will be using these paintings to help end our topic. Next week we will be making our own Advent calendar for the class. The children will take it in turns to turn a bauble on the tree and there may be a little treat each day.



## Investigators

I have no idea where this week has gone-another one closer to Christmas!

The children have been very busy with starting to learn their readings and songs for the Christmas concert in a few weeks time.

They enjoyed their Forest Schools session with Mrs Williams on Tuesday morning where they used the storm kettles. They worked in small groups to light and manage the fire and when they had boiled the water they had delicious gingerbread hot chocolate and a chocolate biscuit.

On Wednesday, the children were treated with a visit from the author-Damian Harvey. He talked to the children about how he became an author and showed us a selection of books that he has written. Everyone listened carefully and asked a range of questions. We are looking forward to visiting him again in the future.

Yesterday, we enjoyed our swimming lesson at Denbigh and are developing our swimming skills well. In the afternoon, we had a visit from Maisie in which we spent time to talk and share our stories with her and Mrs Wykes.

Enjoy your weekend!



## Innovators

The Innovators have had another busy week preparing for our museum opening. The children have worked very hard over the past half term to produce various pieces of work related to our Leaving an Impression topic and we would love to be able to share it with you on the 6th December - we hope you can make it! We had an exciting visit from children's author Damian Harvey who was very entertaining and made us all laugh. He has agreed to become our Patron of Writing and we will look forward to having lots more sessions with him in the future. We also had a brilliant Expressive Arts session with Miss Lloyd who helped the children to represent our inspirational people from our Topic work through movement. The class worked imaginatively and enjoyed themselves!



## Clwb Cefn Playgroup

This week we have completed our Autumn themed activities. We used the dabbers to decorate a leaf picture, completed a pencil control activity, had lots of fun outside using the outdoor equipment and have matched number leaves to number baskets. Today we will be making leaf portraits on paper plates. Next week we are planning to start making Christmas crafts! Another busy week, well done everyone.



## Clwb Cefn After School Club

This week in after school club we've been talking a lot about our families so we decided to make our own family trees, which was lots of fun. We have also enjoyed building castles with the Lego and playing games outside.

## Cymraeg Campus - Criw Cymraeg

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

"Mae'n gaeaf" - "It is Winter"

## Makaton

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

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

## Dates for your diary:

- Monday 27th November - Investigators & Innovators cricket session
- Monday 4th December - Investigators & Innovators cricket session
- Friday 1st December - Christmas Jumper Day
- Wednesday 6th December - Innovators Class museum @ 1.30pm
- Thursday 7th December - Nasal Flu Spray (all classes)
- Friday 8th December - own clothes day in exchange for bottles for the Fair
- Monday 11th December - Investigators & Innovators cricket session
- Tuesday 12th December - Reception & Year 1 assembly @ 9.30am
- Wednesday 13th December - Full time pupils to the pantomime
- Wednesday 13th December - Christmas Fair (3.30 - 5.30)
- Thursday 14th December - Christmas Dinner
- Monday 18th December - Christmas Carol Service in St Mary's Church @2pm
- Wednesday 20th December - Christmas Party (children can wear party clothes)
- Friday 22nd December - Staff Training Day
- Monday 8th January - Staff Training Day
- Monday 8th April - Staff Training Day
- Friday 19th July - Staff Training Day