

Ysgol Cefn Meiriadog

Friday Newsletter

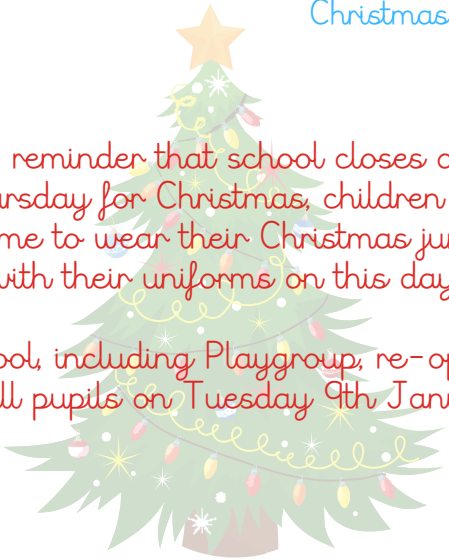


Friday 15th December 2023
Dydd Gwener 15fed Rhagfyr 2023

I can't believe I am writing the last newsletter of the term and of 2023! This term has flown by with the children involved in so many wonderful experiences and learning opportunities, it has been a pleasure to see their work and to hear them speak so enthusiastically about their learning. A huge thank you to all of the staff for their continuous hard work and commitment to the children and our school. Can I take this opportunity to thank you all for your support, I am well aware that we ask for a lot from you over the year but please know we couldn't do what we do without your support. Wishing you all a wonderful Christmas and New Year, we look forward to hearing all about the children's Christmas when we return on Tuesday 9th January.

A reminder that school closes on Thursday for Christmas, children are welcome to wear their Christmas jumpers with their uniforms on this day.

School, including Playgroup, re-opens for all pupils on Tuesday 9th January.



Attendance

We have had a lot of children off ill this week, please can we remind you to let us know in the morning, via phone or e mail, so we can update our records accordingly.

Next week all children will be bringing home their half termly attendance report, a reminder that unauthorised absences are given for holidays and days out. Should you have any questions regarding the report please get in touch.

Outdoor Learning

This week the Investigators enjoyed their final session of the term with a fire and s'mores. Thank you to Mrs Williams for the wonderful Forest School sessions she plans, they are most definitely a highlight of the week!



GOLDEN CHILDREN

This week's Golden Children are Harper, Emily, Eddie, Riley, Aurora, Teddy & Ralph

DA IAWN PAWB!



Christmas Fair



Thank you to all who came and supported our fair on Wednesday, we raised a fantastic £815 which will be used to purchase new ICT equipment across the school.



Events like the Fair are a team effort and wouldn't happen without the support of so many. We would like to thank the following for their help:

- Michelle (Eddie's Mum), James (Grace's Dad), Pam (Isla's Mum), Toni (Hugo's Mum), Hayley (Federico's Mum) and Jess (Amelia's Mum) for their wonderful wrapping skills!
- Miss Cherina and Miss Julie for decorating the grotto and making sure it was festive and lovely for Santa
- Michelle (Eddie's Mum), Ali (Ted's Mum) and Rachael (Evan's Mum) for their support on the different stalls and games on the night
- Julie and Hannah Parry for making two wonderful elves!
- Kate and James (Grace's parents) for finding and delivering raffle prizes
- Santa for giving up his precious time and visiting us from the North Pole
- Harper, Ezra, Bonnie and Oliver who helped us on stalls on the night
- The staff who work so hard to prepare items for the fair and their hard work on the night

I would like to give the biggest thanks to Miss Anna who spends weeks before the fair planning, organising, buying and sorting to ensure that the event goes ahead and that everything is ready to go. We would be lost without her - thank you Miss Anna

Raffle Prizes

Thank you so much to the following businesses for their donations of raffle prizes:

- The Plough, St Asaph
- Tweedmill
- Jacksons Boutique Garden Centre
- Kimmel Park Golf
- Gwrych Castle
- Llaeth Y Llan
- Community Foot Care
- Cafe, Colwyn Bay



Discoverers

We have had a lovely festive week in the Discoverers! This week the children have enjoyed a trip to see 'Jack and the Beanstalk' pantomime, the children were well behaved and enjoyed this experience. We had a lovely Christmas dinner, thanks to Miss Esra! It was lovely to have the whole school eating together. The children wore their Christmas hats that they had made during the week, helping us get into the Christmas spirit. Thank you to everyone who attended the school fair, it looked like everyone had a wonderful time. The Discoverers have been busy practising their Christmas songs ready for their performance on Monday, we look forward to seeing you at the church. As we approach the last week of term, I would like to thank you all for your support during this first term. Remember to keep an eye on Seesaw for all the important dates and information for the last week.



Investigators

What an extremely busy week the children have had! It started on Monday with a rehearsal for next week's Christmas Concert at St. Mary's Church in the village. All the children are very much looking forward to performing to you all next week! On Tuesday, we all enjoyed our last Forest Schools session of the year with Mrs Williams. The children toasted marshmallows and made some delicious s'mores!

On Wednesday morning we enjoyed the trip to Rhyl Pavilion to watch Jack and the Beanstalk.

Yesterday, we had a fun play session for our last swimming lesson until January and then took part in some Christmas-themed circuit training cards in the leisure suite at Denbigh. We then returned to school for our Christmas dinner which was delicious! Enjoy your weekend!



Innovators

The Innovators have enjoyed a festive week, learning about Christmas traditions around the world and using what they have learnt to make a podcast! We all enjoyed the panto in Rhyl on Wednesday and it was great to see the children dancing and singing along. A special well done to one of our Head Pupils who was brave enough to go up on stage and take part - what a super star you are, Ezra! Christmas dinner was delicious on Thursday, and after our meal we made some beautiful Christmas cards. We ended the week by practising for our Christmas concert on Monday. It's certainly beginning to look a lot like Christmas in the Innovators!



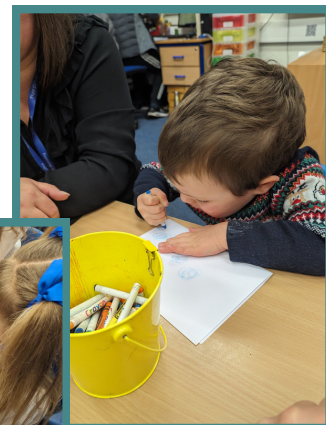
Club Cefn Playgroup

We have had a very productive week in playgroup making lots of different "Reindeer crafts". We made Reindeer party hats, very special reindeer decorations to take home, hand print reindeers and scrubbing brush painted masks. A busy week again Da iawn pawb!



Club Cefn After School Club

This week in after school club we have had lots of fun listening and dancing to all different Christmas music. The children worked really hard making some lovely Christmas cards and we have also had fun making some chocolate Christmas trees.



Cymraeg Campus - Criw Cymraeg

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

"Anrhegion Nadolig" - "Christmas
presents"

Makaton

As a whole school we are working
hard to continue to use and learn

Makaton every day.

This week's sign is "Christmas
presents"

Please ask your child to show you
the sign.

Dates for your diary:

- Monday 18th December - Christmas Carol Service in St Mary's Church @ 2pm
- Wednesday 20th December - Christmas Party (children can wear party clothes)
- Thursday 21st December - Break Up for Christmas (children can wear Christmas jumpers)
- Friday 22nd December - Staff Training Day
- Monday 8th January - Staff Training Day
- Tuesday 9th January - School re-opens for pupils
- Thursday 11th January - Swimming for the Innovators & Investigators
- Friday 9th February - Break up for half term
- Monday 8th April - Staff Training Day
- Friday 19th July - Staff Training Day