

Ysgol Cefn Meiriadog

Friday Newsletter



Friday 12th September 2025
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We have had a great first full week back in school, the children have all settled brilliantly and are already working really hard. We welcomed our new Nursery children into the Discoverers Class on Monday, they have also settled really well and have been a pleasure to get to know.

This term our whole school topic is 'Me, Myself and I', this topic has a wellbeing focus and the classes have already thrown themselves into various different activities all linked to themselves. This topic will last for the duration of the Autumn Term, at the end of the term the classes will share their final learning projects with you.

There are a few messages and reminders below, apologies for the information overload! Please do get in touch if you have any questions.

Wishing you all a lovely weekend.

We are delighted to have been awarded the Robert Hugh Williams memorial cup for the Best School Garden in this year's Denbigh Show. The judges visited before the summer and met with the four learners pictured who told them all about the work we do/ have done to develop our school garden. The judges also visited Gardd Sinan to see the work that the Investigators and Innovators did there to develop the space.

Outdoor Learning is a high priority for us at Ysgol Cefn Meiriadog and it is lovely to be recognised for everything we do.



This week's Golden children are:
Dante, Alys, Talia, Eddie and Freya.

Da iawn pawb!

Special certificates are awarded every Friday during our Golden Assembly. Each class teacher chooses a pupil who they are particularly pleased with that week, Mrs Martin also chooses a pupil who has made an impression on her during the week. Teachers may also award a child with a Handwriting Award if someone has particularly impressed them during the week.

We have a 'Siaradwr y Wythnos' certificate chosen by the Criw Cymraeg for the child who has tried hard to use Welsh around the school. We also have a 'Magnificent Manners' award to acknowledge those who try really hard to use their manners around the school. Finally, we have a Sign Language Award for the children who are using sign language whenever they can, both of these awards are chosen by our pupil leaders.

Attendance

A letter was sent out last week from the Head of Education regarding the importance of good school attendance and the process regarding Fixed Penalty Notices. We also sent a school letter out this week regarding the same.

Communication and Consent Forms

All children have received data collection and consent forms this week, please can these be completed and returned to school to ensure our records are as up to date as possible.



It's time for Coffee Morning and you're invited



I'm hosting my Coffee Morning to raise money for Macmillan. There's a cuppa with your name on it.

When: 25th September 2025

Where: Sinan Church

RSVP: No need, please just turn up!

From: 9.15 am until 10.30 am

More info: ring 01745582224

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MACMILLAN CANCER SUPPORT

We are hosting a Macmillan Coffee Morning on the 25th September in Sinan Church from 9.15am. Please pop along if you have time for a coffee and cake and help us to support this wonderful charity.

If you are able to donate any cakes for the event please let us know.

Can we please ask that only water is sent into school for children to drink during the day, please do not send juice in water bottles or cartons/ bottles of juice. Thank you.

All flu forms are being collected by the School nurse team at 9am on Monday, if we haven't received your form by then then your child will not be able to have the nasal spray in school.

Seesaw

Thank you for your support following last week's letter about the use of Seesaw messages. We appreciate your cooperation with this.

A reminder that Miss Anna works part time so if you are trying to get in touch and nobody is answering the phone please leave a message and someone will get back to you as soon as they can.

School Uniform

Can I please remind you that a school tie is part of our school uniform and children are expected to wear one every day, we have some here should you need to purchase one.

We also have a PE uniform and I would be grateful if children could come to school wearing the correct PE kit on their allocated PE days. Diolch.

After School Clubs

This half term we are offering the following after school clubs:

Football Club with Mr Roberts - Reception to Year 2 (Monday 15th September, Monday 22nd September, Monday 29th September) from 3.20 - 4.00
Football Club with Mr Roberts - Years 3 - 6 (Monday 6th October, Monday 13th October, Monday 20th October) from 3.20 - 4.00

Joy Club (Music and Singing) with Miss Cole - Years 3 - 6 (starting Thursday 18th September for 6 weeks) from 3.20 - 4.00

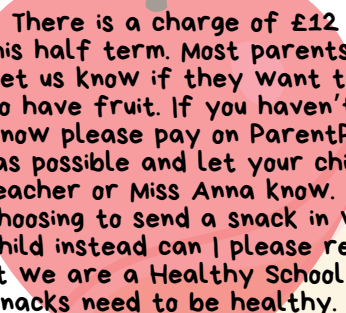
There is no need to book onto the above please just ensure your child knows they are attending.

The school regularly posts photos and information on our social media pages so, if you don't already, please give us a follow:

Facebook - @ysgolcefnmeiriadog

Twitter - @YsgolCefnM

Instagram - ysgolcefnmeiriadog



FRUIT There is a charge of £12 for fruit this half term. Most parents have now let us know if they want their child to have fruit. If you haven't yet let us know please pay on ParentPay as soon as possible and let your child's class teacher or Miss Anna know. If you are choosing to send a snack in with your child instead can I please remind you that we are a Healthy School so all snacks need to be healthy.

Discoverers

What a lovely first full week in the Discoverers. It has been very busy getting used to new routines and the children have settled in so well. I have enjoyed getting to know our new children and would like to welcome all new families to our class. This week our Reception children have started their learning journey, learning sounds and working on numbers to 10. Our Year 1 children have continued their learning and are taking their new responsibilities very seriously! This week in our topic work we have been talking about ourselves and how we are all different. The children have shown a really good understanding of the importance of being unique and that's what makes us all special. Our focus story has been 'Elmer The Patchwork Elephant.' Year 1 children have completed some lovely work linked to this story. The children have enjoyed using the mirrors to look at themselves and painting self portraits, which will be displayed in class next week. Our Nursery children have been amazing and have been busy drawing and painting. Next week we will be focusing on our families. I am looking forward to another busy week! I hope you all have a wonderful weekend.



Investigators

The children have enjoyed their first full week back after the summer holidays and have all settled in to their new class. This term's topic is called 'Me, Myself and I', and the children have started their new topic by drawing a portrait of themselves. They have also started to look at the importance of exercise.

In mathematics lessons this week, the children have been looking at place value and have taken part in some practical activities.

In writing, the children have been revising when to use capital letters in sentences and have started to write some notes about themselves in preparation for working on writing an autobiography about themselves this term.

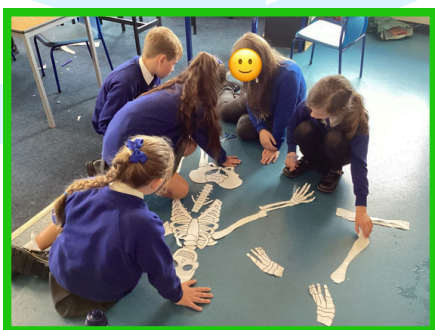
In other lessons, the children worked well in a group on Tuesday in our Jigsaw lesson to discuss their worries and fears for the new year.

Enjoy your weekend!



Innovators

Dosbarth Innovators have had a very exciting week! On Monday morning we enjoyed Forest School, where we explored the woodland, whittled sticks to toast marshmallows, lit the fire, and worked together to plan ideas for our new forest area. On Tuesday, we had our first Urdd Sports session and practised our football skills. In maths, we began our new topic on place value, and in language we started reading our class novel Wonder. We have also been learning about the human skeleton, naming the different bones, and creating our own life-sized skeleton to explain the function of each one. In art, we started exploring self-portraits and have begun creating our own. It's been a fantastic start to the term!



Affirmation of the Week

This week's affirmation of the week, as chosen by our Health and Wellbeing Ambassadors, is:

"IF YOU NEVER GIVE UP YOU COULD TEACH SOMEONE ELSE TO NEVER GIVE UP TOO"

Clwb Cefn Playgroup

Our children are starting to settle back into our routine in Playgroup. We have enjoyed playing outdoors in the mud kitchen and on the bikes and scooters. Inside playgroup we have been liked to play with our sparkly play dough, the sand and our new home corner area. We will be starting our topic of "All about me" next week when we hope to make self portraits and talk about who lives in our houses. Well done every one.



Clwb Cefn After School Club

This week in after school club, we've spent some time going over our rules and expectations, the children have worked together to make our own rules poster which we will display on our cupboard. We've had lots of fun playing outside using the outdoor sports equipment, everyone enjoyed the parachute and the hula hoops. We have also worked hard on our paint by numbers posters in our arts session which all the children enjoyed. We're looking forward to making our own pizzas tonight.



Reading

This year one of our whole school priorities is developing reading for pleasure amongst our learners. Over the coming weeks you will hear a little more about this and will see some new initiatives appearing. The children know about this and have been encouraged to share their favourite stories in assemblies and the class.

We will be having a Borrow Box in school for children to access whenever they would like, if you have any books at home that you no longer need please drop them into school for our new Borrow Box.

We cannot stress enough how important reading is and would really appreciate your support in helping us to foster a love of books and reading amongst the children.

"The more that you read, the more things you will know. The more that you learn, the more places you'll go." – Dr. Seuss.

Dates for your diary:

- Friday 19th September - Innovators to Trefnant for Lego Workshop
- Tuesday 23rd September - Nasal flu sprays
- Wednesday 24th September - Sponsored Walk
- Thursday 25th September - Coffee Morning in Sinan Church (9.15 - 10.30)
- Friday 26th September - Cross Country for Years 3 - 6
- Thursday 2nd October - Oliver Sykes author visit
- Friday 17th October - Show Racism the Red Card (children invited to wear RED to school)
- Thursday 23rd October - Harvest Service in Capel Cefn (2pm)
- Friday 24th October - Break Up for half term
- Wednesday 5th November - Swimming lessons begin weekly for Investigators and Innovators
- Friday 21st November - INSET Day (school closed to all pupils)