

Ysgol Cefn Meiriadog

Friday Newsletter

Friday 26th September 2025
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What a lovely week! We are half way through this half term already, the weeks are flying by. All classes have enjoyed lots of time outside this week, making the most of the sunshine. The children did an excellent job on our Sponsored Walk on Tuesday, we were very lucky to have the weather on our side.

Thank you to all who attended our Macmillan coffee morning yesterday, it was lovely to see members of the community join us too.
Have a lovely weekend.

A huge congratulations to the 10 learners who represented our school so well this morning in the Vale of Clwyd cross country, they supported each other brilliantly, all tried their best and all finished with a smile! Da iawn Team Cefn.



Sponsored Walk
The children did a great job on our Sponsored Walk on Tuesday, well done to them all! The sun was shining as they made their way around the village and they got back in record time this year! Please can all sponsor money be in school by next Friday, diolch.



This week's Golden children are:
Evan, Caiser, Ava, Elsie-May, Holly, Cai and Peyton.

Da iawn pawb!

Attendance

It has been a good week for attendance this week with both the Discoverers and Innovators achieving more than 95% - da iawn pawb!

Discoverers - 96.4%

Investigators - 94.4%

Innovators - 96.5%

A plea to please get your children to school before 9am, the majority do but there is a small number who are persistently late and it has a big impact on the classes and your child.

Swimming

After half term the Investigators and Innovators will be going swimming each week. The children will be responsible for all of their belongings and will need to be able to get themselves ready for the lesson and changed afterwards, independently. If your child cannot currently do this please can we ask you to practise with them as much as possible.

Clothes recycling

We have a collection due before half term so if you have any bags of clothes to donate please send them into school over the coming weeks. If you need any collection bags please see Miss Anna.

Macmillan Coffee Morning

Thank you to all who joined us yesterday for our Macmillan Coffee Morning, it was lovely to see so many parents and members of the community come together. Thank you to those who donated cakes too.

Thank you also to Mrs Evans and our Wellbeing Leaders who organised the event. We raised an amazing £179.90 which is just brilliant and will be gratefully received by the charity.



Family Reading Session

We would like to invite parents into school on Tuesday 14th October from 2pm to take part in some reading activities with your child/ren. As you know, developing reading is a priority for our school this year and we would like to share some activities and ideas with you to help develop a love of reading with your child. We will send home a form to find out who will be attending next week.

Spooky Disco

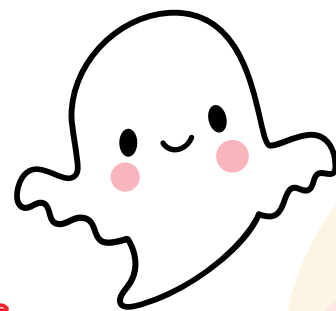
Children are invited to attend our SPOOKY DISCO in the Neuadd Owen on Tuesday 21st October from 3.30 - 4.30.

Entry is £5 and includes a hot dog and a drink, there will be face painting and sweets available to purchase on the day.

Children attending can be collected from 3pm on the day in order to get changed and to the Neuadd on time. If children are not attending then they can stay in school until their usual pick up time.

PLEASE NOTE - AFTER SCHOOL CLUB WILL BE CLOSED ON THIS DAY

If you would like your child to attend please send the money in a labelled envelope by the 15th October.



Miss Cherina has posted a message on Seesaw this morning regarding the amount of parents entering the school building during after school club time. A reminder that parents are not permitted to be in the school building unaccompanied at any time, this is a safeguarding concern.

Please can you wait at the main entrance, if your child needs to gather their belongings then they can do so independently or a member of staff will help them. This also applies following any of the school led after school clubs.

In the mornings we also ask the same, please do not enter the school building. If the main door is open and there isn't a staff member visible please just ring the bell and wait for someone to see you. Discoverers children are to be dropped off outside their classroom door on the yard please rather than the main entrance.

Teachers are not available to speak with parents during drop off due to being needed in classes. If you need a message passing on please let Mrs Martin/ Mrs Evans know on the gate. Thank you.

Discoverers

What a lovely week we have had in the Discoverers. We have enjoyed the Autumn sunshine, although it is a little chilly now! The children in Reception and Year 1 enjoyed our sponsored walk on Tuesday, it was a really beautiful day with lots of things to see on our walk. Our Nursery children completed their walk around the field during their afternoon session, well done to everyone! On Wednesday all of our children helped to make cakes for our coffee morning. The children listened carefully to instructions and waited patiently for their turn. We also made sure that we washed our hands before making the cakes and talked about why this was very important. This week we have been learning different Welsh vocabulary for family members and answering the question 'oes gen ti?' Our Nursery children are doing so well and have now learnt their second sound. They enjoyed practising the grapheme outside and printed with apples, da iawn pawb! Next week we will be learning about our feelings and will be working on the story 'The Colour Monster.' I hope you all have a lovely weekend.

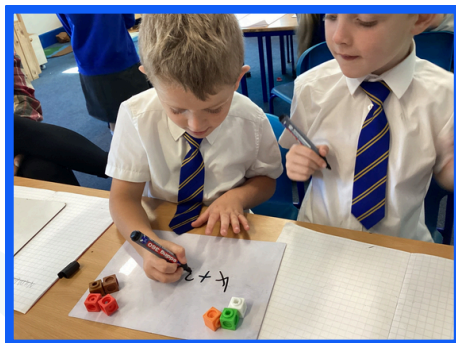


Investigators

It has been another very busy week in the Investigators classroom! The children are enjoying their topic and this week have started to focus on healthy eating. During topic lessons, the children have been talking about the importance of a healthy diet and have taken part in various activities. They have been looking closely at some fruit and vegetables and have designed a very colourful piece of artwork using oil pastels. They have been learning about the different food groups and have organised foods into the different parts of the Eatwell plate. On Tuesday, the children took part in our annual sponsored walk around the village. They all did incredibly well and walked to the village hall and back to school in record time! It was a lovely day. In maths this week, the children have enjoyed starting to work in their new workbooks and have been focusing on the skills of Number and Place Value.

Next week, the children will continue to be learning about Healthy Eating and will be taste testing samples of different fruits and vegetables. They will also be looking at hygiene and will I'm sure enjoy using the GlitterBug potion to see how clean (or how dirty!) their hands are.

Enjoy your weekend!



Innovators

We've had a busy and exciting week in class! From exploring nature in Forest School to welcoming visitors who shared new activities with us, the children have shown fantastic enthusiasm and resilience. Highlights included our sponsored walk on Tuesday, where everyone impressed us with their determination, and a hands-on science lesson making "blood in a bottle," which was a big hit! We also enjoyed developing new sports skills with the Urdd and ended the week by creating thoughtful cwch-inspired artwork for St Kentigern's Hospice as part of our 'Give' focus in the 5 Ways to Wellbeing. Some of the children represented the school in a Cross-Country event on Friday morning too which they really enjoyed!

Have a lovely weekend!



Clwb Cefn Playgroup

In Playgroup this week have managed to play outside making the most of the sunny weather. The children made themselves a picnic in the mud kitchen and "ate it" while sitting in the tunnel. We have started to display our self portraits on our board on the corridor so everyone can see our fantastic art work. We have a couple more to add next week. We are continuing to enjoy our sand and play dough areas where the children are learning to use various tools and techniques as they play. Our home corner has become a hairdressers shop as well as a kitchen this week with the children using the kitchen tools as hairdryers and brushes so we have added our hairdressers tools to the area following the children's interests. Well done everyone.



Clwb Cefn After School Club

This week in after school club we have spent lots of time outside, we've enjoyed playing in our outdoor spaces. The children worked together to build a water tunnel to see if they could get the water from the top to the bottom. We've also had fun using icing and sprinkles to decorate some biscuits, we then enjoyed eating them! Some of our older children played a game of monopoly, they took it in turns well and worked together to be the banker.



Affirmation of the Week

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

"IN A WORLD WHERE YOU CAN BE ANYTHING, BE KIND"

UNCRC Right of the Child

The UN Convention on the Rights of the Child (UNCRC) is an important, legally binding agreement signed by 196 countries (as of 12 July 2022) which outlines the fundamental rights of every child, regardless of their race, religion or abilities. Each week moving forward will be finding out about one of our rights.

Cymraeg Campus - Criw Cymraeg

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

**"SUT MAE'R TYWYDD HEDDIW?" -
"HOW IS THE WEATHER TODAY?"**

British Sign Language

As a whole school we are working hard to learn and use British Sign Language as much as possible. Each week we will be sharing a sign for the whole school to learn.

This week's sign is "HOW IS THE WEATHER TODAY?"

Please ask your child to show you the sign.

Dates for your diary:

- Thursday 2nd October - Oliver Sykes author visit
- Tuesday 14th October - Family Reading session in school from 2pm
- Friday 17th October - Show Racism the Red Card (children invited to wear RED to school)
- Tuesday 21st October - Spooky Disco in the Neuadd Owen (3.30 - 4.30)
- 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
- Tuesday 11th November - Parents Evening
- Wednesday 12th November - Parents Evening
- Friday 21st November - INSET Day (school closed to all pupils)