

Ysgol Cefn Meiriadog

Friday Newsletter



Friday 5th December 2025
Dydd GWener Sed Rhagfyr 2025

It has been a busy week of final concert preparation and rehearsals ahead of next week's shows. Tickets have sold really well and the children can't wait to perform for you, they have all worked so hard. Can we please ask that, on the days of the concerts, you park thoughtfully to ensure the roads are not blocked. As always there is parking available in the chapel if needed.

We are acutely aware how busy this time of year is with all of the Christmas activities going on in school and the payment requests for different things. Please, please come to us if you are struggling with anything and we will do all we can to help and support you.
Wishing you all a lovely weekend.

For information, this newsletter is shared on Seesaw, on our school website, on our Facebook, Instagram and X pages and is e mailed out to parents. If you are not receiving it via e mail please let us know so we can ensure you do moving forward.

Mr Evans

Sadly Mr Evans will be retiring from his role as our Caretaker at Christmas after 7 years at Ysgol Cefn Meiriadog. Mr Evans is a very important part of our school and is loved by all of the children - he will be greatly missed.

This week in their outdoor challenges the children have completed a range of tasks including creating a menu in the mud kitchen, creating an animal hotel in the small world area, going on a bug hunt and sorting natural materials. As always we have seen some excellent displays of teamwork and problem solving.



This week's Golden children are:

Travis, Grace, Freya, Tomos and Ralph.

Da iawn pawb!

Attendance

12 Lates were recorded this week - please, please ensure your child is in school on time. I cannot stress enough how important it is for your child and the class that everyone is in and ready to start the day at 9am.

Discoverers - 90.6%
Investigators - 90.3%
Innovators - 94.7%

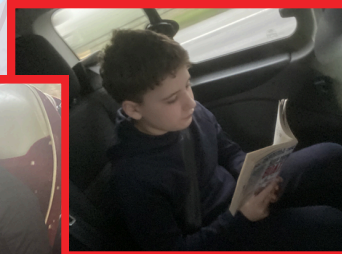
There is a lot of illness around at the minute, as per last week's newsletter we have had scarlet fever in school so please be vigilant and, if you suspect your child has symptoms, please take them to the doctor. If you do have a confirmed case can we please ask you let us know as soon as possible. Thank you.

CAUGHT IN THE ACT!

This week we have three reading superstars to celebrate!

Please feel free to e mail in any photos you capture of your child 'Caught in the Act!'

A reminder that our book swap trolley is out and about around school, there are plenty of adult and children books available for the children to help themselves to.



New Community Cabin

You may have noticed that the old gazebo has now been demolished in preparation for the new building. Work is due to start mid January on this although an exact date is yet to be confirmed. Once work has begun the contractors will be using the staff car park as their compound meaning staff will need to park on the road too. This is going to cause some problems during drop off and pick up times so we will be asking you to drop off and pick up quickly to free up spaces as soon as possible and to please be patient. We have waited a long time for this work to take place and the end result will definitely be worth it. I will update you further when I have more information.

A huge thank you to all who came to support our Christmas fair this week, we raised just under £800 which is amazing! The money raised will go towards purchasing new books for our new reading scheme.

A massive thank you to Miss Anna for organising the event, to Santa for giving up his time to attend, to the staff for their help, Year 6 for helping on the stalls and all of the members of the PTA who gave up their time to source raffle prizes, help us set up and man the stalls. We couldn't do it without your help and support - diolch.

A reminder that a tie is part of our school uniform and children are expected to wear one every day. We have a large number of children who regularly come to school without a tie. We have a stock of ties in school should you wish to purchase one, please contact Miss Anna.

I'd appreciate your cooperation with ensuring your children are dressed in the correct uniform for school.

Meet the Governors

This week we are introducing one of our Community Governors, Mrs Ann Jones:

"I have been a part of Ysgol Cefn Meiriadog for nearly 50 years, first as a parent, then a member of staff and now a volunteer and governor. I come into school twice a week to read in Welsh with the children and I thoroughly enjoy my time with them. I am very proud of our children and their hard work and love hearing about the successes of our school."



Discoverers

Christmas has well and truly landed in the Discoverers! The children have enjoyed taking it in turns to turn a bauble over on our class Advent calendar, made by the children themselves. We have completed our dress rehearsal of our play, which went well and we are really looking forward to sharing with you all next week. We have had a boom whacker Christmas song session, where children are learning to focus and listen carefully and keep to the beat. All children have had outdoor learning sessions, which have been enjoyed by all. The children are really developing their cooperative play through these challenges. Reception children and Year 1 have been working hard on their maths skills and continue to make excellent progress. All of our children have painted their own angel, these are now displayed in class and look beautiful. We have even made a start on our Christmas cards, it really has been a super busy week. Next week we are looking forward to our Christmas dinner and sharing our play with you all. Have a lovely weekend.



Investigators

Another week has flown by! The children are ready for performing their Christmas concerts to you all next week. They had their dress rehearsal this morning in front of the Discoverers and were excellent. I am sure you will all be very proud of them next week.

In class this week, the children have been working with Mr Viggers in their maths lessons on the topic of 'position and direction' and 'length'. The children enjoyed using 'Loti-Bot' on Tuesday to move around the classroom.

In their literacy lessons this week the children have been looking at the features of letter writing and have written a letter to Santa which they will be taking to Denbigh High next Thursday where they will send it in a rocket to him! In our RVE lessons this week, the children have been listening carefully to the nativity story and chose their own challenge to retell it. Some children drew pictures to go along with the sentences and others decided to rewrite the whole story out themselves including pictures. Everyone enjoyed their swimming and gymnastic lesson on Wednesday. In gymnastics, the children focused on developing their jumping and leaping techniques.

Enjoy your weekend!



Innovators

Dosbarth Innovators have had another festive and productive week. On Monday we learned Christmas BSL signs and headed over to the church to plant more bulbs. On Tuesday we enjoyed our swimming session and took part in gymnastics, focusing on developing our rolling skills. In maths we moved on to multiples and factors, and in language the children have been sharpening their research skills ready for their upcoming biography hot task. Christmas concert practice has truly been the star of the show - the children are sounding fantastic and can't wait to perform for you. Our BookVent continues to be a hit, with a new book unwrapped and shared each day, sparking lots of excitement and new additions to Christmas wish lists. It's hard to believe we're only two weeks away from the end of term!

Have a lovely festive weekend.



Affirmation of the Week

This week's affirmation of the week, as chosen by our Head Girls, is:

"A persons a person no matter how small!"

Clwb Cefn Playgroup

In Playgroup this week we have made and written our Christmas cards and they are now ready for a bit of sparkle! We had a visit from Mrs Jones who read a Christmas story to the children in Cymraeg, and she will be visiting us again before Christmas. We have enjoyed building fantastic creations with the magnetic blocks and have liked reading our new Christmas books. We have made Calendars for next year and have been visited by "Jingle the Elf" who is busy hiding in all sorts of different places in our room! Next week we be making Christmas decorations. Well done everyone.



Clwb Cefn After School Club

This week in after school club everyone has been excited to start our Christmas activities. We've enjoyed making some foil decorations with the acrylic paints, we made our own Christmas houses out of biscuits which everyone enjoyed tasting and we've had fun using the watercolours to make some winter and Christmas pictures. We've also been playing with the Lego, the small world toys and the role play toys. We ended our week with some lovely dancing to some Christmas music.



Cymraeg Campus - Criw Cymraeg

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

**"TYMOR GAEAF" -
"WINTER SEASON"**

Dates for your diary:

- Monday 8th December - Innovators & Investigators concert @ 1.30pm
- Tuesday 9th December - Innovators & Investigators concert @ 9.30am and 1.30pm
- Wednesday 10th December - Discoverers concert @ 10am and 2pm
- Wednesday 10th December - Swimming for Investigators and Innovators
- Thursday 11th December - Year 2 to Denbigh High School
- Thursday 11th December - Christmas Dinner (children can wear Christmas jumpers with their uniform)
- Friday 12th December - Christmas Jumper Day
- Friday 12th December - Termly report out to parents
- Monday 15th December - Elfridges
- Wednesday 17th December - Swimming for Investigators and Innovators
- Wednesday 17th December (pm) - Choir to sing in St Kentigerns
- Thursday 18th December - Pantomime for full time pupils
- Friday 19th December - Break up for Christmas
- Monday 5th January - INSET Day
- Tuesday 6th January - School opens for pupils
- Wednesday 7th January - Swimming for Investigators and Innovators
- Friday 13th February - Break up for half term

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 "WINTER SEASON"
Please ask your child to show you the sign.