

# Ysgol Cefn Meiriadog

## Friday Newsletter

Friday 16th January 2026  
Dydd Gwener 16eg Ionawr 2026

We have had a lovely week this week, the children are thoroughly enjoying finding out about their link schools and countries which is pleasing to see. We all really enjoyed World Religion Day yesterday, the children learnt so much and all enjoyed visiting each other's classrooms. Today we say goodbye to Miss Ford and Mr Viggers, our student teachers, we thank them for their hard work and wish them both well with their future studies.

As you will know by now, work has begun on our new Community Cabin, this is an exciting project for us and will provide much needed space for our wraparound care. Work is due to be completed by Easter so there will continue to be disruption to parking and access until then. Please be patient and, as per Seesaw, please do not hang around during drop off and pick up as parking is even more limited than normal! Thank you for your cooperation with this, I look forward to showing you the final build.

Wishing you all a lovely weekend.

The children have continued to enjoy their challenges outdoors this week, the workbench area has been a particular hit!

The children are developing so many skills and it is pleasing to see them cooperating and supporting each other so well with the different tasks.



This week's Golden children are:

Ted, Mara, Ettie, Riley,  
Gareth, Maya and Elsie-May.  
Da iawn pawb!

## Attendance

It has been a great week for attendance this week! A reminder if your child is absent to please ring and leave a message on the designated answering machine, this ensures our records are up to date and absences are authorised where relevant.

Discoverers - 96.7%  
Investigators - 94.2%  
Innovators - 98.1%

A reminder that toys are not permitted in school, please can we ask you to ensure children do not bring any toys into school with them as, when they do, they are getting lost and broken and are causing arguments and distractions in class.  
Thank you for your support with this.

Next Tuesday the school photographer will be here to take individual and sibling photos. All individuals and sibling groups will be photographed, you will then be sent the images to decide if you would like to order them or not.

If you have a younger child not in school and would like a sibling photo then please be here for 9am and they will be done first. Diolch.

## World Religion Day

Yesterday the whole school took part in World Religion Day. Each class found out more about the religions of their link schools before classes swapped throughout the afternoon to find out more about each other's.

The children had the opportunity to learn more about Hinduism, Islam and Christianity and we all had a lovely day listening to stories, creating different items, building and sharing our new knowledge.



### Understanding your child – Free popular course

This is an enjoyable, well-established and trusted way of understanding more about your child. 'Understanding your child' is for mums, dads, grandparents and carers. Parents often say they feel calmer, more confident and have a better relationship with their child. The course was developed in the NHS together with frontline practitioners.

#### The course covers

- Responding to how your child is feeling
- How your child develops
- Different styles of parenting
- How your child communicates
- Understanding your child's behaviour
- Sleep, self-regulation and anger



Sessions are open to parents in the Denbigh area

Sessions will be held in **HWB Denbigh** from 9.15am - 11.15 am every Thursday during term time starting on:

Thursday 22/01/2026 for 9 weeks

It is important that all sessions are attended

For more information and to reserve a place, please contact Family Link Worker:  
Sarah: 07799348556



## SLEEP

### for Children & Families

This online session will help you to understand children and/or young people's sleep, what happens when they don't get enough, and how you can support them to sleep for physical and mental health and wellbeing.

- 📅 Date: Tuesday 20<sup>th</sup> January
- 🕒 Time: 1:30pm - 2:30pm
- 📍 Location: Online - please register your interest by scanning the QR code below

Everyone's Welcome - No Judgement, Just Support



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Welsh Government

## Discoverers

Wow! We have had a busy week in the Discoverers this week. The children have continued to find out more information about Bangladesh and used this to make simple comparisons to Wales. The children created a Venn diagram practically and our older children recorded similarities and differences in their books. The children have compiled a list of questions which we have emailed to our link school to find out more about their school day. This week the children have started to work on different circuits in PE, they listened carefully to the instructions and completed each station with confidence. Our Nursery children have been busy learning the next sound 'p' pirate and used the playdough to make this grapheme, as well as their names. They used the Bangladeshi flag colours to make a repeating pattern and made new red playdough working on simple capacity. On Thursday we celebrated 'World Religion Day' the children had the opportunity to learn about Hinduism, Christianity and Islam. I was so impressed with the listening skills and how much information the children were able to tell me. In Maths this week our Year 1 children have continued to work on money. They had a small role shop to help them practise their coin recognition. Reception have been working on position and direction, they learnt left and right and went on to use these skills to program the mousebot. They all learnt very quickly how to give a set of instructions and clear them, if they were incorrect. This week we say goodbye to Miss Ford, as her placement comes to an end. We would like to wish her all the best for the future and thank her for her hard work in the Discoverers. Next week we will continue to work on our topic work and hope for a reply from our link school. I hope you all have a lovely weekend!



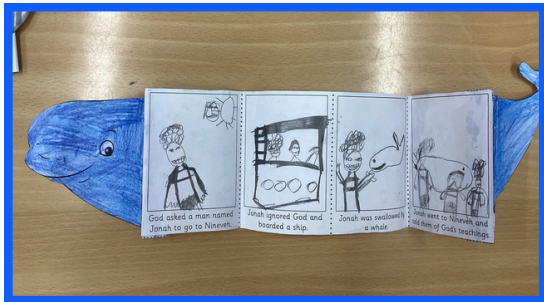
## Investigators

The children have been very busy this week with their topic work and have used their research skills to find out about the country of Greece. They worked with a partner on Monday to find out some information about the country using the Internet.

They found useful information and especially enjoyed finding out about some of the different foods that they eat there! Yesterday, we celebrated World religion Day. In our class the children focused on the religion of Christianity. They listened to the story of Jonah and the Whale and created a concertina booklet to retell the story. In the construction area, the children used the materials we have in the classroom to make a church and they enjoyed making a stained glass cross out of tissue paper. In the afternoon, the children enjoyed going to Mrs Evans to learn about the religion of Islam and then they went to Miss Cole for a lesson about the religion of Hinduism.

Today, the children have been very busy with a topic afternoon. Some children have used a chromebook to create a poster about Greece, others have learnt how to draw the Greek Parthenon whilst watching an art tutorial and another group have made a Greek temple in the construction area!

Enjoy your weekend!



## Innovators

Dosbarth Innovators have had another busy and enriching week. On Monday, we explored British Sign Language and began preparing to tell stories using BSL, alongside our independent outdoor learning session where some children enjoyed using the new workbench. On Tuesday morning, we welcomed Xplore Science for an exciting workshop where we learned about the origins of electricity, explored renewable and non-renewable energy sources, and had the opportunity to experiment with electrical circuits - the children absolutely loved it. Later on Tuesday, we delved further into our topic on India by researching its diverse landscapes. Working in groups, the children became experts on one landscape each and taught their peers about the climate, animals, and population density, thoughtfully discussing why some areas are more populated than others. On Thursday, we celebrated World Religion Day by learning about Hinduism, including its gods, festivals, and food. The children created shadow puppets to retell the story of Rama and Sita in a digital video and enjoyed tasting Fruit Chaat, a traditional Diwali treat. In the afternoon, we rotated around classrooms to learn about Islam and Christianity, with the children showing great respect and curiosity throughout. Have a lovely weekend.



## Affirmation of the Week

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

**"THE THINGS THAT MAKE ME DIFFERENT ARE THE THINGS THAT MAKE ME, ME"**

### Clwb Cefn Playgroup

This week in playgroup we have been reading the story book "Jack Frost" and have based our art work on the lovely blue and white illustrations in the book. We have been excited to watch the building work going on outside our room and like the digger and dumper that are on site at the moment. We have also started to cut and decorate "paper snowflakes" for our display board which encouraged us to practice our hand eye coordination and fine motor skills. We are going to practice throwing skills today with our snowball throwing game. We have also enjoyed the mud kitchen making mud cakes and potions by adding extra water to our concoctions! Da iawn pawb!



### Clwb Cefn After School Club

We've enjoyed lots of different activities in after school club this week, we've had building with the magnets, board games, small world toys, dolls and barbie's, arts and crafts and we've even managed a couple of sessions outdoors where everyone enjoyed some much needed fresh air. The children have expressed an interest in building their own worlds out of Lego so this is something we will be doing next week.

Please keep a look out on Monday for our February half term holiday club timetable, we will be open Monday to Thursday.



### Cymraeg Campus - Criw Cymraeg

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

"WYT TI EISIAU CHWARAE?" -  
"DO YOU WANT TO PLAY?"

### 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 "DO YOU WANT TO PLAY?" Please ask your child to show you the sign.

### Dates for your diary:

- Tuesday 20<sup>th</sup> January - Individual photos
- Wednesday 21<sup>st</sup> January - Swimming for Investigators and Innovators
- Wednesday 28<sup>th</sup> January - Swimming for Investigators and Innovators
- Wednesday 4<sup>th</sup> February - Swimming for Investigators and Innovators
- Thursday 5<sup>th</sup> February - Innovators athletics competition in Myddleton College
- Wednesday 11<sup>th</sup> February - Swimming for Investigators and Innovators
- Thursday 12<sup>th</sup> February - Kindness day (Whole school enrichment day)
- Friday 13<sup>th</sup> February - Break up for half term
- Monday 23<sup>rd</sup> February - PC Manus to the Discoverers
- Friday 27<sup>th</sup> February - INSET Day
- Tuesday 3<sup>rd</sup> March - Full Governing Body meeting
- Friday 6<sup>th</sup> March - Cluster Eisteddfod in Denbigh High School
- Monday 9<sup>th</sup> March - Expressive Arts Week
- Friday 20<sup>th</sup> March - Wear red for Comic Relief
- Friday 27<sup>th</sup> March - Break up for Easter
- Monday 13<sup>th</sup> April - School opens for pupils