

Ysgol Cefn Meiriadog

Friday Newsletter

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Welcome back to the second half of the Spring term, we hope you all had a lovely half term break. Although only a short term we have lots of planned, this term will see the culmination in our topic 'The Future is Digital' as well as World Book Day, St David's Day and Easter celebrations!

A reminder that Parents Evenings are being held on Tuesday 10th and Wednesday 11th March, please phone or e mail to book your appointment. If you are unable to attend and need a phone appointment please let Miss Anna know when you get in touch.

Wishing you all a lovely weekend, Dydd Gwyl Dewi hapus.

World Book Day

Next Thursday (5th March) we will be celebrating World Book Day across the school. As per the message on Seesaw before half term, children are invited to come to school dressed as their favourite character from a book, if they don't want to dress up then own clothes is fine. Please don't spend a fortune on costumes, the most important part of the day is that we read books and celebrate all things stories together. Each class will be taking part in lots of lovely activities during the day and we have a number of visitors joining us to read a story to classes too. Children are invited to bring their favourite story to school to share with their friends, please ensure their name is in it to avoid it getting lost.

Kick It

As shared on Seesaw yesterday, Kick It sessions will begin on Wednesday 18th March, this is for children in Years 1 - 6. Sessions will run for 4 weeks, from 3.25pm to 4.40pm. Please follow the link on Seesaw to book your child's place. A reminder that Kick It are responsible for your children during these sessions and not school staff.

Wonka Bars

As part of our World Book Day celebrations we will be selling Wonka bars from Monday to Thursday next week. Chocolate bars will cost £2.50 each and children have the chance to win a new book, extra playtime for their class, hot chocolate and biscuits for the class or a lovely breakfast with Mrs Martin. Please send money in a labelled envelope if you would like your child to take part. Diolch.

Forest School sessions

This week has seen classes start their Forest School sessions in the Woods. Both the Innovators and Investigators enjoyed their sessions where they had time to explore and play before completing a den building challenge. The key principles of Forest School include building a relationship with nature, supported risk-taking, and fostering resilience, confidence, and independence. Through the sessions offered this half term the children will have the opportunity to develop all of these and more.



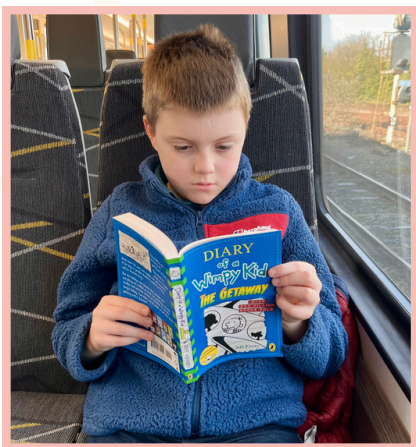
Attendance

All classes have achieved very good attendance this week, da iawn pawb! We have also only recorded 3 lates this week which is great news. Thank you all for your support with this.

Discoverers - 94.7%
Investigators - 94.7%
Innovators - 95.2%

Caught in the Act

Please do keep sending in your photos of your children choosing to read, we love to see them! This week we have received the following:



Reading Champions

This half term our Reading Champions are Grace, Caizer, Alys, Evan and Maddison. As part of their role they will read to the Discoverers twice a week, they will meet with Miss Cole to share their ideas to further develop reading for pleasure across the school and, next week, they will lead our World Book Day assembly.



Dydd Gwyl Dewi

On Monday we will celebrate St David's Day in school with a special assembly and performances from some of our Eisteddfod competitors. The Innovators will also be representing the school in the annual St David's Day parade in Denbigh during the morning.

We have enjoyed having Mrs Pitt-Lacey back in school on a Wednesday sharing some of her learning with each class. Before half term Mrs Pitt-Lacey introduced our new Cymraeg Cyflym sessions which were very well received. This week she visited each class to continue with these sessions, the children are enjoying the new activities and games she has introduced and are looking forward to next week already! Mrs Pitt-Lacey will resume her position as the Innovators class teacher after Easter when we will sadly say goodbye to our lovely Miss Cole.

Yesterday some of our learners attended the Neuadd Owen to provide entertainment for their informal lunch event. The children sang some songs and all had a wonderful time.



Discoverers

Welcome back! What a lovely first week we have had in the Discoverers class. On Monday we welcomed PC Manus into class, who talked to the children about people who help us. The children learnt about the emergency number 999 and when it was the right time to use this number. The children had lots of questions for PC Manus! This week we have been learning about the Chinese New Year celebration. The children have listened to stories, watched videos of how families prepare for the celebration and even created their own dragon parade. Our Year 1 children have written down what they have found out and then went on to edit and type out their work. They experimented with font, changing the size and colour. They have also been practising how to insert an image too. Outdoor learning has continued this week with lots of creative tasks, the weather has been noticeably warmer- Spring is hopefully on the way. Our Nursery children have been busy working on developing their number formation this week. Next week we will be learning all about St David's Day and our Year 1 children will be representing our school in the Cluster Eisteddfod in Denbigh High, we wish them lots of luck. I hope you all have a lovely weekend.



Investigators

It has been a very busy first week back after the half term holiday! The children have been learning about Wales this week as part of their topic work so that they can compare the similarities and differences between here and Greece. The children were able to find Wales on Google Earth and they labelled where Cefn Meiriadog and Cardiff were on it. Some children had the opportunity to think of the symbols associated with our country and designed their very own Welsh flag. On Wednesday, everyone enjoyed their first Forest Schools session up in the woods with Miss Cherina. The children had the opportunity to explore the woodlands first before working in small groups to make their own den/shelter. In our language lessons this week, we have started reading a book together called 'A Home for Spark the Dragon'. The children will be basing their writing on this book over the next three weeks. This week they have drawn an alternative home for where they think a dragon would live, have written a prediction about what the story is going to be about and yesterday they have been looking at different animal homes and have written a thank you note to the bear that they have met within the story. Some children from the class represented the school yesterday afternoon by singing some songs at Neuadd Owen in the village. They all did the school proud. Enjoy your weekend.



Innovators

Dosbarth Innovators have had a brilliant week of learning and new experiences. On Monday, we were back in the forest for Forest School, where the children were challenged to design and build a camouflaged, waterproof shelter - a fantastic test of teamwork and problem-solving. In maths on Tuesday, we began exploring the parts of a circle, using compasses to draw accurately measured circles and identifying the radius, diameter and circumference. We also started learning the rules of netball and enjoyed putting our skills into practice in PE. On Wednesday, we launched our new language unit based on the book A Home for Spark the Dragon, designing alternative homes for Spark and using expanded noun phrases to describe them in detail. On Thursday, a group of children proudly represented the school at Neuadd Owen, singing for local residents of Cefn - they performed beautifully and were a real credit to the school. Have a good weekend.



Clwb Cefn Playgroup

This week in playgroup we used the k-nex construction kit to build flowers, monster arms and microphones. We even had a concert from some of the boys. We watched the scaffolding being taken away and were excited to see the roof and windows are now on the new building. We enjoyed some time in the library this week and liked sharing stories with each other. We have used the mark making area quite a lot this week and the children have created some lovely collage pictures and are trying to write their names on their pictures too. We have introduced a new cutting station for the children to practice their hand eye coordination and fine motor skills. They have started to see if they can cut out the shapes that are on the poster in the area. The children have requested to decorate cup cakes next week which will be a fun and tasty activity for them all. Well done everyone.



Clwb Cefn After School Club

This week in after school club the children have enjoyed some time outside, they enjoyed playing in the different areas and with the sports equipment, the older children also enjoyed playing a game of netball together. We have also had lots of fun playing with the construction toys, the children used the magnets and building blocks to build their own houses, they worked together and enjoyed taking part in this.

As you will have seen on seesaw Kick It is starting on Wednesday the 18th of March, can you please let me know your child will be attending this instead of after school club. Thank you



Responsibility

This half term our value is RESPONSIBILITY.

In assembly on Monday we talked about the different responsibilities that we all have whether that be in school, at home, in the community, to our friends or ourselves. The children contributed really well and gave some lovely examples of how they are responsible and times when they feel they have seen others show responsibility too.

We will be talking about this over the coming weeks and the children have been asked to share any good examples of responsibility that they come across around the school.

Dates for your diary:

- Monday 2nd March - Innovators to Denbigh for Saint David's Day parade
- Tuesday 3rd March - Full Governing Body meeting
- Thursday 5th March - World Book Day
- Friday 6th March - Cluster Eisteddfod in Denbigh High School
- Monday 9th March - Expressive Arts Week
- Tuesday 10th March - Parents Evening
- Wednesday 11th March - Parents Evening
- Wednesday 18th March - Kick It starts after school for 4 weeks
- Friday 20th March - Wear red for Comic Relief
- Tuesday 24th March - Innovators to Ysgol Trefnant for football competition
- Friday 27th March - Own clothes day and cake sale for Wales Air Ambulance
- Friday 27th March - Break up for Easter
- Monday 13th April - School opens for pupils