

Ysgol Cefn Meiriadog

Friday Newsletter

Friday 6th March 2026
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It has been a particularly busy week this week with our Saint David Day celebrations, World Book Day celebrations and today's cluster Eisteddfod. The children have embraced the wonderful activities on offer and we have all had a lovely week!

Our Wonka bar sales have been a big hit over the past few days, if children haven't yet returned their golden ticket please can they do so by Monday so we can ensure prizes are all claimed, a big thank you to Miss Anna for organising those.

Final reminder that we have Parents Evenings next Tuesday and Wednesday, we don't have many appointments left so please get in touch asap if you haven't yet booked to see your child's teacher. Wishing you all a lovely weekend.

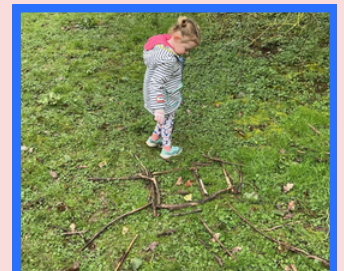
Cluster Eisteddfod

This morning 28 of our Learners represented us in the Denbigh Cluster Eisteddfod in Denbigh High School. The children competed in individual and group recitations, group singing and various art competitions. The children were a credit to our school today, they competed confidently, bravely and all tried their very best. We are very proud of them all. Special mentions to Emily who received a 1st, 2nd and 3rd in three art competitions, to Ava and Amelia who received 3rd and 1st respectively in an art competition and to our Year 1 and 2 learners who won their group singing competition! What a super morning.



Forest School sessions

This week has seen both the Investigators and Discoverers visit the woods for their Forest School sessions. The Investigators had a go at using the whittling knife or saw, everyone listened carefully and tried really hard to use the tools. They finished off the session by making their own clay tree faces with natural materials. The Discoverers enjoyed exploring the woods this week and making dens and homes for minibeasts.



This week's Golden children are:

Ava, Ettie, Harri, Betty-Rose,
Violet, Tomos and Enzo.

Da iawn pawb!

Attendance

All classes have achieved very good attendance this week with the Investigators and Innovators over 95%, da iawn pawb! We have also only recorded 2 lates this week which is great news. Thank you all for your support with this.

Discoverers - 92.6%
Investigators - 96.3%
Innovators - 99.05%



On Saturday 25th April our Chair of Governors, Shannon Gage, will be abseiling 75ft down St Asaph Cathedral to raise money for Ty Gobaith. Shannon's nephew Wil devastatingly passed away three years ago, Wil would have been 16 this year so Shannon is taking on the challenge to raise money in his memory. If you would like to support this incredibly worthwhile cause please use the link below:
https://www.justgiving.com/page/shannon-gage-5?utm_medium=FR&utm_source=CL&utm_campaign=020

We are all wishing Shannon lots of luck and hope she raises lots of money for Hope House/ Ty Gobaith.

A reminder that next Wednesday, 11th March, pupils are invited to come to school in their own clothes in exchange for an Easter Egg. All donations will be used to make Easter hampers. We will be selling raffle tickets for these over the coming weeks.

Dydd Gwyl Dewi

On Monday the Innovators represented the school in the St David's Day parade in Denbigh. We enjoyed singing songs, waving our flags and meeting Mr Urdd after parading through the town with hundreds of other school children. Da iawn to the Innovators who did a great job.



We all thoroughly enjoyed our World Book Day celebrations yesterday. We welcomed lots of visitors into school to read stories to each class, these were thoroughly enjoyed by all - a huge thank you to everyone who came in!

We started the day with an assembly by our Reading Champions, they shared the purpose of World Book Day, gave out certificates and we enjoyed watching a video by everyone's favourite author - Jamie Smart.

Classes then enjoyed a day full of reading activities and stories, thank you for providing such super costumes and supporting the day.



Discoverers

The Discoverers have had a lovely week, filled with lots of learning and exciting experiences! This week the children in Year 1 have been working hard to polish their performance of the song and poem which they will perform at the Cluster Eisteddfod. We are very proud of them all! The Discoverers have been learning about St David and all of the children painted daffodils, they have been learning about the symbols of Wales. Our Nursery children learnt a new sound, 'K' Kangaroo, they used their fingers to paint the grapheme and practised writing their names. Spring has sprung and the children have been enjoying their outdoor challenges, there have been some excellent examples of roleplay where the children were able to use some simple Welsh language patterns too- da iawn! On Thursday we celebrated World Book Day, there were lots of fantastic costumes and we were so lucky to welcome different visitors into class to read stories. The children enjoyed having the opportunity to listen to different people read stories to them and asked questions to find out what sort of books our visitors enjoyed reading when they were younger. Thank you for providing such lovely costumes, it was a fun day! I hope you enjoy your weekend.



Investigators

The children have had an extremely busy and fun week in both the classroom and outside of it! On Monday and Tuesday, the children celebrated St. David's Day by taking part in lots of activities. They had the opportunity to work together in small groups to make some delicious Welsh cakes and used their maths skills to help them to measure the ingredients. They also used their ICT skills to create a Welsh poster on Adobe Express.

On Wednesday, the children enjoyed their second Forest schools session up in the woods with Miss Cherina. The children had the opportunity to explore the area again and then used tools such as a whittling knife and a saw.

Another group of children used clay to make some faces on the trees-they looked brilliant!

Yesterday we celebrated World Book Day within school. The children were very lucky to have four visitors to read to them. I would like to thank Toni, Jen, Sue and Mrs Jones for taking time to come to read to the children and answer the many questions that they had for them!

In our LLC lessons this week, the children have listened to some more of the story 'A Home for Spark the Dragon' and have written some thank you notes to the characters that they have met so far in the story. The children also had the opportunity on Wednesday to take part in a drama activity linked to the story.

Enjoy your weekend!



Innovators

Dosbarth Innovators have had a very busy and exciting week. On Monday, we proudly represented the school in the St David's Day Parade, singing songs and celebrating Wales on this special day, before heading into the forest in the afternoon for some outdoor learning. On Tuesday, we continued exploring A Home for Spark the Dragon in language, creating narrative graphs to track the different emotions throughout the story, and in PE we developed our netball skills, focusing on footwork during matches. Wednesday saw us taking our maths learning outside as we explored place value with six-digit numbers, and in language we held a lively courtroom-style debate about Spark's decision in the story. We also spent time practising our Eisteddfod poems in the sunshine. Thursday was World Book Day and the children looked fantastic in their costumes. It was a wonderful day celebrating stories with "Drop Everything and Read" alarms, guest readers, and lots of book-themed crafts. On Friday, a group of Innovators proudly represented the school at the Denbighshire Cluster Eisteddfod with poetry and singing, performing brilliantly and making us very proud. Meanwhile, the rest of the class enjoyed making Welsh cakes and completing Welsh crafts back at school. A busy but brilliant week all round - have a lovely weekend.



Clwb Cefn Playgroup

This week in playgroup we have completed our egg carton daffodils and have started to make a Spring display with them. We decorated our cup cakes with icing and added sprinkles to them. We enjoyed the nice weather and took part in an adapted dance area challenge where we became Easter bunnies, chicks and Easter eggs. We started our "Easter under wraps" story lucky dip and have enjoyed a new spring themed story every day. We have learned about signs of spring, bees and chicks so far. We made "bee bombs" with wild flower seeds and wet tissue paper and have planted them in pots outside our door. Well done every one!



Clwb Cefn After School Club

In after school club this week we made the most of the lovely weather we've had and spent a lot of our time outdoors. The children enjoyed drawing their own spring pictures with the chalk, playing with the sports equipment and the cars and bikes. We celebrated world book day yesterday by making our own book marks, everyone had a go at decorating them in lots of bright colours.

Our timetable for our Easter holiday club has been shared on seesaw, if you'd like to book a place please email cefnclwb@gmail.com or message us on seesaw.

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

"DYDD GWYL DEWI HAPUS"
"HAPPY SAINT DAVID'S DAY"

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 "SAINT DAVID'S DAY"
Please ask your child to show you the sign.

Dates for your diary:

- Monday 9th March - Expressive Arts Week
- Tuesday 10th March - Parents Evening
- Wednesday 11th March - Parents Evening
- Wednesday 11th March - own clothes day in exchange for Easter Eggs
- Wednesday 18th March - Kick It starts after school for 4 weeks
- Wednesday 18th March - Oliver Sykes (poet) visit for National Poetry Day
- Thursday 19th March - Damian Harvey (Patron of Reading) visit
- 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
- Friday 17th April - XPlore Science to Innovators
- Thursday 23rd April - Coffee Morning for St Kentigerns
- Monday 4th May - Bank Holiday
- Tuesday 12th & Wednesday 13th May - Innovators residential
- Friday 22nd May - Break Up for half term