

Ysgol Cefn Meiriadog

Friday Newsletter



Friday 20th March 2026
Dydd Gwener 20fed Mawrth 2026

Thank you for all of your donations for Comic Relief today, the donations will be counted next week and the money sent to the charity on behalf of the whole school community.

This week classes have been finishing off their topic work, videos and final pieces will be sent to their link schools and will also be shared on Seesaw. All classes have worked really hard this term, they have found out about their link schools, countries and cultures and have used lots of ICT skills to share their work. Next term our topic is 'Awe and Wonder', this topic has a Science and Technology focus and promises to be another interesting one.

Next week is our last before we break up for the Easter holidays, please keep an eye on Seesaw for any messages and information as we head towards the Easter break.

Wishing you all a lovely weekend.

World Poetry Day

Ahead of World Poetry Day we welcomed two authors into school this week. Oli Sykes is a local poet and author and he joined us Wednesday to share some of the poems from his new books before setting the children the challenge of creating their own silly sentences.

Damian Harvey joined us yesterday, we heard some stories from him and enjoyed thinking of our own plots and characters.

These visits also support our work on developing reading for pleasure across the school.



Outdoor Learning

This week our outdoor challenges are all linked to Easter and Spring. The children have enjoyed searching for minibeasts, building homes for spring animals and exploring different habitats.



This week's Golden children are:

Caiser, Elsie-May, Hugo, Violet,
Harri, Mara and Logan.

Da iawn pawb!

Attendance

This week has been a good week for attendance, especially for the Investigators and Innovators - da iawn pawb! Punctuality is also much better this week, thank you for your support with this.

Discoverers - 92.6%
Investigators - 97.9%
Innovators - 97.6%

We are delighted to have been invited to take part in this special event, 10 of our learners, along with staff, will be there to welcome the King and Queen to the Royal Maundy Service on the 2nd April - how exciting!



Own Clothes Day Friday 27th March 2026

all donations to Wales Air Ambulance

As many of you will be aware, last year Mrs Williams and her family were involved in a horrific road traffic collision resulting in them all requiring significant, life saving treatment in hospital. Three of the occupants of Mrs Williams' car required the services of the Wales Air Ambulance to get them to hospital as quickly as possible. We are incredibly grateful to all of the emergency services who attended the scene that night and are so pleased that all are well on the road to recovery.

In April, Hannah and Kate (Mrs Williams' daughters) will be taking on a gruelling 50-kilometre 'SheUltra' on the Llyn Peninsula to raise funds for the Wales Air Ambulance to show their thanks for the care and treatment the family received. This will be particularly challenging for Hannah who, following the accident, broke her right femur, sustained a very complex fracture to her left ankle and had to learn to walk again.

On Friday 27th March we will be showing our support to Kate and Hannah with an own clothes day and cake sale (if you are able to donate cakes on the day we'd be very grateful). All proceeds will go to support the girls with their challenge, donations of any amount will be very welcome.

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Film Friday



Date

Friday the 27th of
March

own clothes
watch a film
and enjoy a
snack

Snacks

Marshmallows

Popcorn

Sweets

Movies

The Lorax

Monster's University

Inside Out

watch a film for your
hard work throughout
this term.

FOOD and FUN

This year we are again running our very popular, free Food and Fun holiday programme. A link to register your child has been sent out on Seesaw, if you would like a place please complete this as soon as possible, we will be opening the programme up to those who don't attend our school on Monday.

Raffle tickets are now on sale for our Easter raffle, with winners being drawn on Thursday 26th March. Tickets are £1 a strip, please send money in a labelled envelope if you would like to buy some.

Discoverers

I cannot believe that we are fast approaching the end of the Spring term! The Discoverers have had another extremely busy week and we have certainly enjoyed the sunshine and warmer weather. This week we have welcomed two visitors into class, Ollie Sykes came and helped the children to do some creative writing and Damian Harvey came in to tell some stories and poems to the children. Both sessions were thoroughly enjoyed by all. The children have continued to work well on all aspects of their learning, in Maths all children in Reception and Year 1 have been learning about odd and even numbers. Our Nursery children have been busy learning a new sound 'u' umbrella, we are very proud of their writing skills. Our class video is almost ready to share, the children have been editing and recording voice overs for the video this week. We have also started our Easter craft, which the children will bring home next week. Next week, we are lucky to have Reverend Ginny in to help the children learn about the Easter story, all of our tasks next week will be linked to Easter. I hope you all have a lovely weekend.



Investigators

It has been a lovely week in the Investigators with the children having lots of opportunities to learn outside in this much improved weather we have had the last few days! On Tuesday, the children enjoyed exploring the nearby woodlands in their Forest Schools session. They took the mud kitchen up to the woods and made some wonderful creations!

We have had two authors visit it this week. Ollie Sykes came to work with the children on Wednesday morning, and Damian Harvey visited us yesterday. The children enjoyed listening to their stories and poems. In topic work this week, the children have been sketching buildings of the village and have studied Cefn Meiriadog on an OS map and have answered questions about it. They have also drawn their own map of the village using OS symbols and have been fascinated to find out that there once used to be rhinos, bears and Woolly Mammoths that once used to roam the local area!!
Have a lovely weekend!



Innovators

Dosbarth Innovators have had a fantastic week full of exciting experiences. On Monday, we created an introduction to BSL video as a whole class to showcase everything we have learned so far and help others begin their BSL journey, followed by outdoor learning in the afternoon. On Tuesday, we began working on our end-of-topic video comparing India and Wales, creating storyboards in groups to plan our sections. Wednesday brought a special visit from poet Oli Sykes for World Poetry Day, where the children enjoyed hearing poems from his new book and took part in a fun writing challenge using words beginning with 'T'. On Thursday, we welcomed another visitor, Damian Harvey, who inspired us with his storytelling and challenged us to create imaginative characters with strengths and weaknesses. In the afternoon, we took part in a BSL workshop, developing our skills in finger spelling using the Welsh alphabet and learning how to ask and describe colours. We then continued working on our video project, writing scripts for our final pieces. On Friday, we focused on mental addition of decimals in maths, continued developing our diary writing skills, and spent the afternoon progressing with our project work. A week full of fun, sunshine, and special experiences - have a great weekend and enjoy the sunshine!



Affirmation of the Week

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

"I DO BELIEVE THAT SOMETHING MAGICAL CAN HAPPEN WHEN YOU READ A BOOK"

Clwb Cefn Playgroup

This week in playgroup we had a lovely time at Mr and Mrs Jones' farm where we saw lots of new lambs, horses and a dog and then enjoyed orange juice and a biscuit for snacks for our snack before returning back to playgroup. We opened an extra parcel in the book luck dip this week which was an egg and spoon race which we enjoyed at playtime. The children worked collaboratively to complete a floor puzzle where they showed good turn taking. We became Police Officers on Wednesday after a toy police badge was found on the play ground, everyone had their own "card badge" and we marched everywhere any gave a fantastic police salute to everyone we met. Well done everyone.



Clwb Cefn After School Club

This week in after school club we have all enjoyed some time on the field, everyone had lots of fun in the construction area, they spent some time working together to build a new home for each other. We've also enjoyed playing with the role play toys, the sports equipment outside on the yard and we have spent some time creating our own under the sea creatures for a competition.

Our Easter holiday club is now full, please don't forget to book your place for our food and fun sessions, the form is currently on seesaw.

Cymraeg Campus - Criw Cymraeg

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

"SUT WYT TI'N TEIMLO?"
"HOW ARE YOU FEELING?"

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 ARE YOU FEELING?" Please ask your child to show you the sign.

Dates for your diary:

- Tuesday 24th March - Innovators to Ysgol Bodfari for football competition
- Thursday 26th March - Easter raffle to be drawn
- Friday 27th March - Own clothes day and cake sale for Wales Air Ambulance
- Friday 27th March - Film Friday
- 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 5th May - Innovators to Ysgol Trefnant for athletics competition
- Friday 8th May - XPlore Science to Innovators
- Tuesday 12th & Wednesday 13th May - Innovators residential
- Friday 22nd May - Break Up for half term