

Ysgol Cefn Meiriadog

Friday Newsletter

Friday 12th June 2026
Dydd Gwener 12fed Mehefin 2026

What a cold, wet week! We have everything crossed that the warmer weather arrives as promised this weekend ready for a lovely week next week. We have had a busy week with plenty going on across all of our classes. Yesterday we marked International Day of Play with all classes enjoying 31 extra minutes of playtime - this was very well received! 31 minutes was chosen as Article 31 of the United Nations Rights of the Child says 'that all children have the right to rest, relax and play'. The rights of the child play a big part in the work we do as a school and all children have been introduced to them in various ways. I think Article 31 might be favourite this week though!
Wishing you all a lovely weekend.

At school, we have started to use the Creative Habits of Mind Wheel to help children understand and develop the thinking skills that support creativity, problem-solving, and innovation. The wheel highlights key habits such as being curious, imaginative, persistent, collaborative, and reflective.

These habits encourage children to ask questions, explore new ideas, take thoughtful risks, learn from mistakes, and work effectively with others. By nurturing these skills, we help children become confident learners who can adapt to challenges, think independently, and approach problems with creativity and resilience.

You will notice some changes to our reports this year, as we begin to include references to these creative habits alongside academic progress. This will provide a broader picture of your child's learning journey, recognising not only what they know and can do, but also how they approach challenges, develop ideas, and grow as learners.

You may also have heard about Buddy the brain. Buddy is a character created to help the children understand more about how we learn, that mistakes help us to learn and that our brain is growing and learning every day. Teachers reference Buddy regularly in classes, he will continue to be talked about and will hopefully help the children celebrate their mistakes and understand the different ways in which they learn.

A reminder that children are not permitted to bring any items into school that they do not need. This includes toys, teddies, dolls and make up.

Can I also remind you that children should not bring anything into school that could cause harm to another child. This includes sharp items, items made of glass, medicines that haven't been given to a staff member, belts, anything that could be deemed a choking hazard. Thank you for cooperation with this.



This week's Golden children are:

Maddison, Oliver, Ted, Ettie and Noah.

Da iawn pawb!

BOUNCY CASTLE

PLEASE JOIN US FOR LOTS OF FUN!

JOIN US FOR OUR 2026

SUMMER FAIR

TUESDAY 30TH JUNE

3.00PM - 4.30PM

AT YSGOL CEFN MEIRIADOG

IF YOU CAN HELP WITH RAFFLE PRIZES/ MANNING A STALL PLEASE GET IN TOUCH



Activities listed on balloons: TOMBOLA, HOOK & DUCK, LUCKY DIP, SOAK A TEACHER, RAFFLE, TATTOOS & FACE PAINT, CAKES, ICE CREAM, HOT DOGS.

On Monday 29th June we will be celebrating International Mud Day at Ysgol Cefn Meiriadog

Mud Day is a day to encourage children and adults to get outside, connect with nature, and embrace the joy of playing in the mud

MUD DAY 2026!

We will have a variety of mud related activities available for the children to enjoy and get as muddy as they like!

On the day all children will need to come to school in clothes you are happy that they get muddy along with the following:

- spare clothes, including underwear
- spare shoes
- a towel
- a carrier bag for dirty clothes
- wet wipes/ a cloth

Year 6

PLEASE SEE BELOW FOR UPCOMING EVENTS AS WE PREPARE TO SAY GOODBYE TO OUR WONDERFUL YEAR 6:

WEDNESDAY 17TH JUNE - GROUP PHOTO WITH TEMPEST PHOTOGRAPHY (UNIFORM TO BE WORN)

TUESDAY 23RD JUNE - YEAR 6 NETBALL COMPETITION IN YSGOL TREFNANT (SCHOOL PE KIT TO BE WORN)

WEDNESDAY 24TH - FRIDAY 26TH JUNE - EMRYS TRANSITION

THURSDAY 9TH - FRIDAY 10TH JULY - ST BRIGIDS TRANSITION

WEDNESDAY 15TH JULY - LEAVERS PARTY IN CHESTER TEN PIN (LEAVING SCHOOL AT 2.30, RETURN APPROX 5.30)

THURSDAY 16TH JULY - LEAVERS SERVICE @ 2PM IN SCHOOL (MAXIMUM 2 ADULTS PER CHILD PLEASE)

FRIDAY 17TH JULY - SPECIAL GOODBYE LUNCH AND SHIRT SIGNING



SAFEGUARDING CORNER

Key Safeguarding Contact Numbers:

- Police (Immediate Danger): 999
- Non-Emergency Police: 101
- NSPCC Helpline: 0808 800 5000 (Mon-Fri 10am-4pm)
- Childline: 0800 1111 (24/7)
- Denbighshire Social Services: 01824 712200 (Daytime) / 0345 053 3116 (Out of hours)
- Live Fear Free Helpline (Domestic Abuse/Wales): 0808 8010 800

Discoverers

What a wet week! This has not stopped the Discoverers, we have had a great week. The children began the week by learning a dance which shows the life cycle of a butterfly. They were able to add some of their own movements in listening carefully to each others ideas. Our Nursery children have been working on 'j' this week and have made some lovely suncatchers that will be going up on our windows. This week in Maths, Reception children have been counting in 2s and 5s whilst Year 1 children have been adding 3 digits. We held our first stay and play session for our new Nursery children on Tuesday, it was lovely to welcome some new faces into our classroom. On Thursday the children all had an extra 31 minutes of play to recognise 'International Day of Play.' This is linked to Article 31 of the rights of the child, it is designed to champion every child's right to play, promote well-being, and raise global awareness about the power of play in child development. This was enjoyed by all of the children, the rain certainly didn't stop the fun! It also provided the children with the opportunity to play their board game that they have made together this week as part of our topic work. Next week we will take our topic learning into space. I hope you all have a lovely weekend.



Investigators

The children have had a very enjoyable week in school and have been learning about volcanoes this week as part of their AWE and Wonder topic. They have been developing both their scientific and DCF skills by carrying out an investigation by creating a chemical reaction to reenact a volcanic eruption! They quite enjoyed doing this! With the chrome books this week, the children have taken part in a live lesson to draw and label a volcano using a programme called JIT on their HWB accounts. In other lessons, we have finished reading our book fizz book called 'Every Child a Song' which is all about the rights of the child. The children have been thinking about what they are grateful for and have created their very own gratitude tree. On Tuesday, the children enjoyed a cricket session for the whole morning with Luke Holmes from cricket Wales. They developed their throwing and catching skills in their first session and then played a game in the second session developing their batting skills. They enjoyed their Forest Schools session in the afternoon up in the woodlands where they had some time to explore the woodlands and then they made some lovely journey sticks. Yesterday, we had an extra 31 minutes of play as it is International Play Day which is a day to celebrate article 31 of the UNCRC-that every child has the right to relax, play and take part in a wide range of cultural and artistic activities.

Enjoy your weekend!



Innovators

The Innovators have enjoyed an active week, beginning with an afternoon of cricket at the start of the week and ending with bikeability for Year 6. In Literacy, the children's final balanced arguments about alien communication are well thought-out and informed, and are presented beautifully alongside their Vincent Van Goch inspired artwork. We carried on the 'Starry Night' theme in Topic, and have been learning about the moon, satellites and space junk. The class also investigated the difference between weight and mass and tested their theories with Newton meters. They enjoyed learning about how the craters were formed on the moon, and were able to take measurements and observations of the impact of meteorites on their 'lunar surface' like real NASA scientists. Da dawn, Innovators!



Affirmation of the Week

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

"TODAY IS A GREAT DAY SO ENJOY IT"

Attendance

Discoverers - 92.8% (2 lates)

Investigators - 81% (4 lates)

Innovators - 95% (0 late)

If you have a holiday planned please ensure you fill in an absence request form (available from Miss Anna) so we can code any absences correctly. A reminder that holidays are not authorised, as per our policy, unless there are extenuating circumstances.

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 "I enjoy cycling"

Please ask your child to show you the sign.



Cymraeg Campus - Criw Cymraeg

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

"Dw i'n mwynhau beicio"

"I enjoy cycling"

Dates for your diary:

Tuesday 16th June - New Nursery Stay and Play @ 2pm

Wednesday 17th June - Year 6 Leavers photo

Wednesday 17th June - Denbigh Music Cooperative to Investigators

Friday 19th June - Non Uniform day in exchange for bottles for the bottle tombola

Tuesday 23rd June - Year 6 to Ysgol Trefnant for Small schools netball tournament

Wednesday 24th June - Moving Up afternoon

Wednesday 24th - Friday 26th June - Emrys ap Iwan transition days

Monday 29th June - Mud Day!

Thursday 2nd July - Sports day (Discoverers am, Investigators & Innovators pm)

Tuesday 30th June - Summer Fair (3.00 - 4.30)

Wednesday 1st July - Reception to Year 3 school trip

Friday 3rd July - Reports out to parents

Friday 3rd July - Musical instrument showcase for parents @ 9.15 (for all pupils learning an instrument)

Tuesday 7th July - drop in parents evening

Wednesday 8th July - Discoverers Coffee Morning @ 9.15am

Thursday 9th & Friday 10th July - St Brigids transition days

Wednesday 15th July - Year 6 Leavers party

Thursday 16th July - Year 6 Leavers Service

Friday 17th July - break up for the summer

Monday 20th July - INSET day

Tuesday 1st September - INSET Day

Wednesday 2nd September - INSET Day