

Ysgol y Foel

June Newsletter 2016

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Summer Term Diary Dates

June

6th - School Re-Opens and PTA Meeting

7th - Science Transition Lesson for Yr5/6

10th - Sports Day

13th - Colin Ellis from The Alun to speak to Yr 6. Reserve Date for Sports Day

14th - Nursery Induction Meeting

17th - Explore Learning Workshop on Transition for Yr 5&6

20th - DT/PE Afternoon for Yr 6 at The Alun

22nd - PC Mark Jones Workshops

23rd - Mold Alun Induction Day

23rd - Moving Up Day

24th - School Closed for Staff Training

July

1st - Shakespeare Workshop & Performance of 'To Dream Again' at Theatr Clwyd Yrs 2 to 6

Reports Out

6th - Jambori for Yr 1&2

8th - Sponsored Walk

9th - Summer Social

12th - School Trip

13th - Opportunity for parents to discuss end of year reports (Appointment only to be arranged with class teachers)

20th - Leaver's Service at 9:30am & School Closes for Summer Holidays

Dear Pupils, Parents and Community,

Final Half Term

I hope everyone has had a lovely half term holiday and now we are in the final half term of the school year. Yes, as the title suggests, I am writing this newsletter in my last half term at Ysgol y Foel. It is sad but an exciting time and I look forward to introducing Mrs O'Neill, our new Headteacher to Ysgol y Foel this half term.

As always this half term is packed with lots of exciting events. I would like to remind everyone that there is a training day on Friday 24th June and school closes on Wednesday 20th July for the summer holidays.

Mrs Windsor returned to work on Monday following the completion for her maternity leave. It is lovely to see Mrs Windsor return but sadly Miss Harvey will be leaving us on Friday 17th June.

I would like to thank Miss Harvey for her hard work and enthusiasm during her time at Ysgol y Foel and to wish her the best of luck with her future career

Kind Regards
Mr Williams

Office Email

Our new office email address is yfmail@hwbbmail.net.

Please send all correspondence to this address. Please note the address yfmail@yfoel.flintshire.sch.uk no longer works.

Sports Day - Friday 10th June

Don't forget our Sports Day is this **Friday 10th June**. Here are a few important reminders:

- Gates open at 12:45pm with the first race due to start at 1pm.
- In the event of poor weather conditions (we will make the final decision by 10:00am) the reserve date is Monday 13th June. A message will be placed on Twitter and our website. In the event that both of these dates are unsuitable due to inclement weather, Sports Day will be held on the next available dry afternoon.
- Children may come to school in P.E. Kit on this day and should be reminded to bring a drink of water (Plastic drinks containers only) and sun hats.
- Prior to sports day, please could all children bring in their P.E. kits every day for practices.
- Nursery children are able to stay all day for this occasion.
- To make it easier for pupils and parents to support the houses, we would ask if competitors could wear a t-shirt/polo shirt in their house colours:

REDS, YELLOWS and GREENS (If you are unsure which house your child is in please see a member of staff).

The PTA will be selling refreshments during the afternoon. We look forward to fine weather and all parents and relatives are invited to join us on the school field for this special occasion. Mrs Spencer is very kindly donating ice lollies for all children to enjoy at the end of Sports Day. Thank you Mrs Spencer!

Moving Up Day

Year 6 children will be spending Thursday 23rd June at Mold Alun as part of their transition to High School. The rest of the school will be spending the day in their new classes for September. Our new Nursery children, who are starting in September, will be joining us for the morning session.

Year 6 will be taking part in a number of other transition activities before the end of term. These will include:

- 13th June - Mr Colin Ellis, Deputy Headteacher, from The Alun will be visiting Year 6 children
- 15th June - Year 5 and 6 will be taking part in a Geography Transition Visit to Loggerheads
- 20th June - Year 6 will be spending the day at The Alun taking part in DT and PE activities.

Letters will be sent out to Year 5 and 6 with further details.

Pupil Achievements

Cross Country

Just before half term, children took part in the Mold and Buckley Cross Country Championship held at Buckley Common. It was a very successful morning indeed.

I would like to mention the individual performances of:

- Layla second in the Lower Junior Girls Race
- Lily third in the Lower Junior Girls Race
- Polly B second in the Upper Juniors Girls Race
- Upper Juniors Girls Team who came third overall
- Upper Juniors Boys Team who came second overall

I would like to thank the team for their excellent efforts and parents who helped with transport and cheered the team on!

Dance Fest

Well done to the girls who took part in Dancefest shortly before half term. They worked incredibly hard and put on a fantastic performance. Thank you to Mrs Carol Williams our choreographer for working so hard with the girls, teaching routines, positions and timings. Also, a big thank you to Mrs Walker and Miss Harvey for organizing this special event.

Personal Development and Relationship Education

Attached to this newsletter is a leaflet that outlines Ysgol y Foel's Programme for delivering Personal Development and Relationships Education in Years 2 to 6. Staff and Governors have received training from Claire Broad from Flintshire Healthy Schools and I would like to share the information with you. If you any questions, please don't hesitate to contact school.

Uniform

Children always look really smart in their school uniforms. However, I have noticed a number of children wearing trainers and coloured shoes. I would like to remind everyone, it is school policy to wear black shoes/trainers or sandals during the summer term.

MAD Science After School Club

MAD Science Club started on Wednesday 4th May.

Just a reminder that MAD Science Club will run on the following dates:

Wednesday 8th June
Wednesday 15th June
Wednesday 22nd June
Wednesday 29th June
Wednesday 6th July

Please can all children be collected from the Main Door at 4:20pm

Attendance Stats

The school is targeted to reach an average attendance of **97%**.

Attendance for the first half of the Summer Term was **97.7%**

Class Attendance

Famau = **94.7%**
Cadair Idris = **97.8%**
Yr Wyddfa = **98.1%**

Overall attendance since September is 96.7%. We are almost on target!

CONGRATULATIONS TO DOSBARTH YR WYDDFA WHO ARE THE BEST ATTENDERS SO FAR THIS TERM. KEEP UP THE GOOD WORK AND BE IN SCHOOL EVERYDAY!!

Sun Safety

As the weather is improving, the children will be completing more activities in the outdoor environment. Please can you ensure that your child brings a sun hat each day (clearly named), and if needed has sun cream applied before school to protect them from the sun.

Children will still need a coat/lightweight jacket each day in case of showers!

Communication

Don't forget to follow us on Twitter!

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And remember our website for lots of information

www.ysgolyfoel.org

WE HAVE PLACES AVAILABLE IN OUR NURSERY AND RECEPTION CLASSES FOR SEPTEMBER 2016. PLEASE CONTACT SCHOOL FOR FURTHER DETAILS.