



## Newsletter/Cylchlythyr

Friday 4<sup>th</sup> November

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Dear Parent/Guardian/Annwyl Rieni/Gwarchodwyr,

Welcome back. I hope you had a restful half term I have enjoyed hearing all about your adventures!

November is especially busy so please check dates on the newsletter and look out for tweets informing you of events. From next **Friday 11<sup>th</sup> November** we will be using email, text and twitter to keep you informed but please help us by checking your notifications.

### School Activities WB 7/11/16

**Monday – Year 2-6**, Craft club from 3.30pm-5pm with Michelle Allix, £3 per session on 7<sup>th</sup> - printmaking, 14<sup>th</sup> - clay making, 21<sup>st</sup> - clay making, 28<sup>th</sup> November – snowflake mobiles, 12<sup>th</sup> December – Christmas stones

**Tuesday** – R-Year 1 games club with Mrs Windsor

**Thursday** – afternoon playtime (2pm) running club, **NO FOOTBALL** (Mrs O’Neill at a meeting)

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**Tuesday** – R-Year 2 games club with Mrs Windsor and Mrs O’Neill

**Thursday** – afternoon playtime (2pm) running club, after school (3.25pm) football until 4pm (for Y2-6)

### Attendance

**Despite several reminders I am still receiving holiday request forms. Attendance is always a focus for the Welsh Assembly Government and Inspectors and our attendance data is published. So please could I request that holidays are not taken during term time. There is no automatic right to absence for a family holiday. Authorisation will depend on current attendance. Request for holiday forms are available and need to be agreed with the headteacher. Even 5 days off school can have an impact on your child’s learning. If your child is going to be absent from school please notify the school office on the morning of the absence giving the reason for the absence. Thank you in advance for your cooperation.**

### Safeguarding

The school gates will remain locked during the school day. If you need access to the school please come to the front door where a member of staff will greet you.

## Communication

If you need to contact the school 01352 740197 Mrs Watts (secretary) is in each morning from 9-11.30am. Letters and newsletters have been uploaded to the website and you can follow the link to them.

## Homework and Reading

Reading is an ongoing homework that should be done daily. Children have reading records, please fill them in and enjoy reading with your children. Homework is specific to each individual class. Please look out for letters in book bags.

## School Play

As you are now aware our whole school production is 'Santa and the beanstalk' and the children have now been given their parts and costume requirements. Please could you help the children to learn their lines as part of their reading homework. I also appreciate your help in finding costumes for the children, if you need any help please don't hesitate to contact myself or Mrs Walker.

## PE Days

**Foundation Phase** children need to bring their kits on a Monday and take them home on a Friday.

**Year 2,3,4 :-As we enter Christmas Play Season there is often disruption to PE lessons as we learn the dances to our songs as part of the PE curriculum. Please could children bring in their PE kits suitable for outdoor sessions as normal on Tuesday and Thursday.**

**Year 5 and 6 :-As we enter Christmas Play Season there is often disruption to PE lessons as we learn the dances to our songs as part of the PE curriculum. Please could children bring in their PE kits suitable for outdoor sessions as normal on Thursday and Friday**

## School Meal Prices

The cost of both infant and junior meals will increase to **£2.10** per day after half term. School gateway has now been updated. You can pay for school dinner via this or send in cash or cheque in a named envelope. Next week is week 2 of the school menu.

## School Snack – Healthy Schools

After half term The Foundation Phase snack will be provided by Kate at The Shop. A range of fruit and vegetable sticks will be provided at a cost of £1.50 per week. We would like to encourage all of our children to have healthy snack. Crisps are allowed in lunch boxes but shouldn't be eaten at morning playtimes. **We would like to offer snack to our Y2-6 pupils in an attempt to encourage this healthy eating, but can only do so if we have enough children to take part. If you would like your child to have fresh fruit or vegetables supplied by a local business (supporting the community,) Please complete the reply slip below and return it after half term.**

## Year 2

This week Year 2 have settled and thoroughly enjoyed working with Year 3 and 4 for the full day.

## PTA

### Community Café and Sparkle Disco

Many Thanks to those of you who supported the café we raised £ 115 which was match funded so £230 has helped towards the cost of a new fridge for Cylch.

I enjoyed showing off my dance moves!! Thank you to all those who supported the Sparkle Disco, it raised over £135.00 to help towards the cost of the trim trail repairs. Your support is much appreciated.

**Summary of our School Improvement Plan 2016- 2017- published on our website**

- **These are our whole school priorities for this academic year.**
- **They are led by specific members of staff, shared with the whole school staff and governors and evaluated throughout the year.**
- **Full details can be found in our School Development Plan available on request.**

<p style="text-align: center;"><b><u>Priority 1</u></b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• To build on the current good standards in Maths by focusing on any areas of difficulty raised by procedural tests and track numeracy across the curriculum.</li> </ul>	<p style="text-align: center;"><b><u>Priority 2</u></b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• To build on the current good standards in literacy by focusing on raising the number of children achieving outcome 6 and Level 5 and track literacy across the curriculum</li> </ul>	<p style="text-align: center;"><b><u>Priority 3</u></b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• To create a structured in house ALN programme from our own trained staff to include those children in the Basic Skills Category and in particular MAT</li> </ul>
<p style="text-align: center;"><b><u>Priority 4</u></b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• To plan from the digital Competence Framework and continue to build on competence in digital learning</li> </ul>	<p style="text-align: center;"><b><u>Priority 5</u></b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• To develop bilingualism throughout the school</li> </ul>	<p style="text-align: center;"><b><u>Other Aims</u></b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• To achieve our Eco Silver Award</li> <li>• The governing body to increase their involvement in the daily life of the school</li> <li>• To create a new school vision and mission statement in conjunction with pupils, staff, parents and governors</li> </ul>

**Dates for Diary – some changes have been made.**

**November**

7<sup>th</sup> Rev Copping Assembly

10<sup>th</sup> Small School Athletics festival at Deeside

12<sup>th</sup> PTA event Quiz Night

18<sup>th</sup> Children in Need- wear spots and bring pennies for Pudsey (2ps, 1ps) to fill up a Pudsey

25<sup>th</sup> (provisional) WW2 day in Caerwys woods for Y5 and 5

**December**

**1<sup>st</sup> December**

1<sup>st</sup> Carol Singing around the village PTA event, craft (made by children) will be on sale

2<sup>nd</sup> 9.30 am Christmas Play dress rehearsal

5<sup>th</sup> and 6<sup>th</sup> 6pm – Christmas play

7<sup>th</sup> – Rock and Roll Panto Aladdin at Theatre Clwyd

13<sup>th</sup> Christmas Dinner

15<sup>th</sup> 10 am – 11 am Y2-6 Carol singing at Tesco's Mold – drivers wanted

15<sup>th</sup> Christmas Party

16<sup>th</sup> Christmas Jumper Day

Mrs O'Neill

Headteacher

**Reply Slip**

I am interested in my child \_\_\_\_\_ receiving a healthy snack for morning playtime and agree to paying £1.50 for this service.

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I would like my child \_\_\_\_\_ to attend craft club and enclose £ 12 for all 4 sessions/ £3 for the first session ( delete as appropriate)