



Newsletter/Cylchlythyr

Friday 21st October 2016

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Dear Parent/Guardian/Annwyl Rieni/Gwarchodwyr,

I can't believe it is half term already! Thank you for your support over the last half term. I'm sure you will all agree it has been exceptionally busy. The children, and staff, are all looking forward to the half term break!

School Activities WB 31/10/16

Monday – to be confirmed

Tuesday – R-Year 1 games club with Mrs Windsor (Mrs O'Neill on school trip)

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

School Activities WB /10/16

Monday – to be confirmed

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

Please could I request that holidays **are not taken** within school 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.

Please could I ask you to notify the school in writing if you wish your child to walk home on their own at the end of the school day. Children will not be allowed to leave the school premises if I have not been notified.

For children attending our Breakfast Club can I remind you that the car park is for staff use and deliveries please walk into school using the footpath around the building.

Communication

At the moment I am using Twitter, @ysgolyfoel as the main method of communication, this is whilst we are developing the text and email service. Please bear with us. If you need to contact the school 01352 740197 Mrs Watts (secretary) is in each morning from 9-11.30am. Letters 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.

PE Days

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

Year 2, 3 and 4 – Tuesday and Thursday, outdoor kits until December. Tag rugby and football skills

Year 5 and 6 - Thursday and Friday – outdoor kits until December. Tag rugby and football skills

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.

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.

Congratulations

Congratulations to the following children on receiving their Bronze Award for behaviour, hard work and good manners over the last half term. They have achieved this by not losing any minutes, or only losing one week of minutes, from their Friday playtime :

Harvest

Thank you all for attending the Harvest Service and for your donations of clothes to the Chester Homeless Shelter and for your donations for victims of Hurricane Matthew. We raised £

Dates for Diary – some changes have been made.

October

29th PTA Community Cafe

31st – return to school

November

3rd- visit by PC Mark Jones- part of the PSE curriculum (school time)

3rd 5.30pm- 7pm – PTA firework disco, children can wear bright firework colours or their Halloween costumes

4th – Yr 6 visit to Mold Alun- drivers needed

7th Rev Copping Assembly

10th Small School Athletics festival at Deeside

12th PTA event Quiz Night

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

25th (provisional) WW2 day in Caerwys woods for Y5 and 5

December

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

2nd 9.30 am Christmas Play dress rehearsal

5th and 6th 6pm – Christmas play

7th – Rock and Roll Panto Aladdin at Theatre Clwyd

13th Christmas Dinner

15th Christmas Party

16th 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.