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Newsletter/Cylchlythyr
Friday 21st February 2025
Dydd Gwener Chwefror 21, 2025

Dear Parent/Guardian/Annwyl Rieni/Gwarchodwyr,

Headteacher's Update

I cannot believe we have reached half term. It has been a busy term and the children have had opportunities to represent the school in Gymnastics and Dodgeball.

All children have been involved in the development of our library and children from Nursery to Year 2 have thoroughly enjoyed choosing a book to take home and hopefully share with you. A huge "Thank you" to Mrs Angela Lewis from the village, for helping us sort and update this valuable part of our school.

When we return to school it will be our Eisteddfod week. The children have started learning some songs and have been given their recitations which will be uploaded onto Seesaw. We ask that all children do their best to practice their poems over half term. Please read further information regarding our Eisteddfod under Class Information.

Thank you all for returning the questionnaires this week, they have been very informative and I will report the findings in our next newsletter.

Governors

We currently have a vacancy for a Clerk on our Governing Body. Training and guidance are provided for this role. If you are interested in either of these positions or have any questions please contact the school office via email: yfmail@hwbcymru.net or phone on 01352 740197.

Attendance

- If your child is unable to attend school due to illness, make sure the school office is informed at the earliest opportunity. Late marks will be given to children where they have not arrived before the side gate is closed. Please visit our website where you will find current guidance under **Parents and Carers, Sickness and Attendance**.



Attendance is compulsory from Reception.

Attendance data for up to 21-02-25:

Class	Percentage of attendance
Dosbarth Famau	96.44%
Dosbarth Yr Wyddfa	94.37%
Overall	95.44%

As a school we strive to ensure our attendance is monitored and your support with this is appreciated. Attendance is a National priority and having met with our designated Education Welfare Officer whose role it is to monitor our attendance and take action if your child's attendance is below 92%.

Please can you ensure that you either phone 01352 740197 or email the office on yfmail@hwbcymru.net to inform us if your child/ren are not attending school by 9:00am, a reason needs to be provided and when they are likely to return to school. We provide this information to Welsh Government and County Council. If you do not ring in we have to report it as unauthorised.

Class Information

3-7 Learners

Eisteddfod

Design and Technology competition.

Nursery and Reception – to bake a banana cake/muffin (to take photographs and upload onto Seesaw.)

Year 1 and 2 – to make a house for a mouse (no bigger than a cereal box) All entries to be brought into school to be judged by Tuesday March 4th.

Recitation

Nursery and Reception – Un, Dau, Tri banana

Year 1 and 2 – Adeiladu Ty Bach



8-11 Learners

Eisteddfod

Photography Competition

Years 3 – 6

To choose:

Photograph Snowdrops/Daffodils or A place which is special/important to them.

Recitation

Years 3 - 6 Lili Wen Fach

PE

After half term PE will return to Monday. Please ensure your child has their PE kit in school.

Clubs

Mrs Lewis will continue her Book Club on Fridays for Years 3 – 6 and Miss Taylor will begin a “Brick Club” for Years 3-6 beginning on Monday March 3rd. Both clubs take place during lunchtime and I thank both members of staff for providing their time so the children can have these experiences.

Breakfast Club

Breakfast Club will be invoiced on weekly basis on school gateway, please log in and check each week.

Reminder that Breakfast club is open from:

7:45am to 8:15am This is charged at £1.50 per child

8:15am to 8:45am – Free

If your child arrives before 8:15am they will be charged as per time entered on the register.

All information relating to our Breakfast Club can be found on our website, under Wraparound Care.

After School Club

After school club will run every day from 3:20pm to 5:20pm

An increase to the cost of provision was issued on 10/12/25, and has been updated on our website under wraparound care.

Adhoc sees the greatest increase to £8 per session.

After School Club is a non-profitable organisation, which working families rely on. Please do your best to support this valuable service.



Weekly Music Lessons

This week we said goodbye to our piano teacher Emma as she moves into her new role at Theatr Clwyd. Music lessons will however continue on a Tuesday with our new Piano teacher Helen Yates. She has taught music in the past to our pupils and we look forward to welcoming her back.

If your child is interested in music lessons, please follow this link:

[Schools | Theatr Clwyd \(theatrclwydmusic.com\)](https://www.theatrclwydmusic.com)

PTA

The PTA held a very successful Community Café and have a number of exciting fundraisers in the pipeline. A huge thank you to everyone in our fantastic PTA who give up their time to support events. The PTA to date have sourced activities and resources for the school.

Residentials

Year 3 Residential to Boreatton Park 2nd April – 3rd April

Due Date	Amount
10/01/25	£40.00
28/02/25	£15.32

An email was sent earlier this week requesting overdue payments.

Year 4&5 Residential to Plas Menai 21st May to 23rd May

Due Date	Amount
04/11/24	£50.00
21/02/25	£58.50
21/03/25	£58.55

If you have not paid the deposit but have informed us that your child will be attending, could you please ensure payment is made as soon as possible. 2nd Instalment is due today, please ensure payment is made.



Year 6 Residential to London 30th April to 2nd May

Due Date	Amount
21/02/25	£80.00
21/03/25	£80.00

Please ensure 2nd instalment is paid today.

Website/ Calendar

Please subscribe to our website, by subscribing you will receive notifications of updates to our website. Don't forget to subscribe to our calendar as well. This has all the dates of events, residentials etc. to subscribe to our calendar go to www.ysgolyfoel.org click on the full calendar on the right-hand side and follow the instructions at the bottom of the page.

Dates for the Diary (provisional)

Date	Event/ Activity
21/2/25	School closes for half term
3/3/25	School re-opens Eisteddfod Week First Experiences – music sessions for Year 3 and 4 pupils weekly until July.
12/3/25	Fire Service to meet with Nursery to Year 2 pupils.
18/3/25	Parents Evening
27/3/25	PTA – Mother's Day surprises TBC
3/4/25 – 4/4/25	Year 3 Kingswood
11/4/25	School closes for Easter
28/4/25	School re-opens
30/4/25	Year 6 London

Mrs Walker
Acting Headteacher