



Ysgol Maes Y Felin 18.11.22

18th November

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[A Message from Mr Thomas, Acting Headteacher](#)

Prynhawn da.... Good afternoon

Well, the weather maybe awful but we have had another fun filled week here in Maes Y Felin.

It was lovely to see everyone dressed up for Children to Need, you all looked amazing. It is such an important event and a big thank you to all of you who have helped us raise £226.81 what a fantastic effort.

Monday morning saw children from other local schools come in to work with Alan Downes. It was really interesting to see them working together to develop Minecraft tutorials.

Both Bedwen and Reception visited the cinema this week and had a lovely time in Rhyl. The children were complimented on how well they behaved which is so nice to hear.

Our Year 5/6 pupils took part in the regional Indoor Athletics competition on Tuesday and Miss Minton and Mr Johnson were very proud of the team who came a credible 5th position. Da iawn.

This week saw our first family cooking sessions, which was a great success. A massive thank you to Sam, our cook and Newydd Catering for providing the materials and produce. The food looked delicious.

Next week sees our Christmas Fair and the visit of Santa. The children are very excited. Not many more sleeps to go.

Finally good luck to Cymru on Monday as they take on the USA in their first football World Cup match for 64 years.

Hope you all have a lovely weekend, see you Monday.

Kind regards,

Mr. David Thomas, Acting Headteacher



What have we been up to?

Foxes class have been very busy helping Mrs Martin to plant up the hanging baskets with winter plants to add some colour to our school. The children have been learning that plants need good soil, light and water to grow. I am sure that you will agree with me that they have done a fantastic job. Gwaith da iawn Foxes!





Thank you very much from Collen to everyone who took part in our Remembrance Class Service. We were impressed by the attendance from parents and their willingness to take part in our lesson following on from our service. The children enjoyed working with their parents and showing their parents how amazing they have been.





A number of children have been selected to take part in a Parent and Child Cooking Session with Sam from the Kitchen. This week, they came in for the afternoon and they made Pizza Baguettes. We were

also joined by John from St Peter's Church who is the Family Liaison Officer. They all look so tasty, Da lawn Pawb!

If anybody is interested in taking part in these sessions, please contact Mrs Evans.





We had a fantastic time taking part in Aura's athletics competition. Our school placed 5th overall which we are extremely proud of. All children represented the school beautifully; they were polite, well-behaved and showed great teamwork. A big well done to everyone who took part.





We hosted 6 local schools this week for a digital leader's session. Children from year 5 and 6 from these schools worked with staff to develop tutorials on Minecraft Education for children in year 3 and 4 to work through and earn digital badges.



DIGITAL LEADERS[®]

Children from Enfys visited the church again this Monday. This week the church had asked if the children would be part of the service. The service was very interactive, and children participated by reading a passage and handing out various types of bread to the congregation. After lunch the children continued their usual job roles including clearing up plates and serving drinks.





Bedwen children had a great time exploring Minecraft this week, Mr Downes has built a replica of Chester on the app, he challenged children to explore the city and find local landmarks, they then had to create a digital book to show the landmarks and share information about them. The children (and staff!) were taught how to export the book and add it to their google drive, it was great to see so many skills applied in such an engaging learning experience!



Bedwen and Reception children are taking part in the Into Film Festival. This is an event which helps educators bring learning to life for 5-19 year old's across the UK by inspiring young people to watch, understand and make film in new and creative ways.

Here is what Mrs Howard had to say about the Reception trip:

'We all had a great time on the trip today, this was the first trip that reception children have been on. They were very excited about the bus ride, this was the first time for many of them to travel on the bus. We arrived at Vue cinema in Rhyl and thoroughly enjoyed watching two short films- Super Worm & Zog and the Flying Doctor. The children were excellent and made all staff very proud. We can't wait for our next trip.'







Welsh Corner - Cornel Cymraeg



World Cup

To show our support for Cymru players going to the 2022 FIFA World Cup for the first time in 64 years, we are allowing children to come into school wearing red on the days that Wales are playing to show that they are part of the Red Wall! Please find the dates below.

November 21st- USA v Wales at 7pm

November 25th- Wales v Iran at 10am

November 29th- Wales v England at 7pm

During the morning the children will be able to cheer on the team who play Iran at 10am. This can be a Wales top, a local Welsh team (Wrexham, Holywell) or a plain red top. Please don't worry if they don't have anything red as their school uniform will be fine.

C'mon Cymru!



Footie Family Sessions

Nursery and Reception Parents - we are excited to offer family football sessions to Nursery and Reception children alongside a family member, these will start on Tuesday 29th November - during the morning session. Afternoon Nursery are more that welcome to attend too.

Footie Families is a programme designed for parents and their young children to play together and engage in fun activities, to help develop fundamental movement skills. Before playing football, or any sport, our little ones need to develop a broad range of skills. Fundamental movement skills, such as balancing, jumping, throwing and kicking are the building blocks of movement and they are essential for children's participation in physical activity throughout life. Research shows that children who move well, achieve more academically so this programme will also help with school readiness. Parents are the most important influence on a child's physical activity levels so by playing together and practicing skills through Footie Families, children will have the a great start to an active life.

I have included a link below for you to view the videos and read the information that has been posted by FAW Trust.

If you would like to attend, please complete [this form](#) by Monday 21st November

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<https://www.fawtrust.cymru/grassroots/footiefamilies/>

Parent Readers

We are pleased to share that we are able to welcome parents and grandparents to come into school on a regular basis to work alongside the children in class e.g. listening to readers etc. We are opening the opportunity to family members of years 1 – 6, if this is something you would like more information on, please speak to individual class teachers.

Please note that an enhanced DBS will be required for all volunteers but this will be organised by school before you begin your regular volunteering.

Special Mentions

All of our children here at Ysgol Maes y Felin achieve many amazing things every day, but here are some of our children who have gone that extra mile over the last fortnight.

VIPs -18th November, 2022

Oktawia, Badgers

Summer, Owls

Dante, Celyn

Jessica, Derwen

Leon, Ceiriosen

Lois, Llwyfen

Twinkle, Masarnen

Thomas, Collen

Jackson, Bedwen

Wellbeing Award - 18th November, 2022

Lotti, Badgers

Mali and Daniel, Owls

Alice, Derwen

Maisie, Ceiriosen

April, Llwyfen

Lucie, Masarnen

Connagh, Collen

Tomos, Bedwen

There were no awards for Squirrels and Foxes this week due to them being on a School Trip today.

Please find below our VIPs enjoying their 'Tea with Mr T' reward.



After School Clubs

After School Clubs

After School Clubs are limited to for full time pupils only. Please see the description on each After School Club to see if it is relevant to your child's year. It will also inform you of which day the club will take place and collection time. All after school club collections will take place at the gate at the bottom of the roundabout. The spaces will be allocated on a first come, first served basis.

We are providing for this half term only the following clubs:

Tuesdays as from 08.11.22:

- Reading Club for Years 2, 3, 4, 5 and 6
- Minecraft Club for Years 5 and 6

Wednesdays as from 09.11.22:

- Christmas Craft for Years 3 and 4
- Lego Club for Years 1 and 2

Thursdays as from 10.11.22:

- Football Club for Years 3, 4, 5 and 6
- Lego Club for Years 3, 4, 5 and 6
- Netball Club for Years 4, 5 and 6

Link for After School Clubs - <https://ysgolmaesyfelin.schoolcloud.co.uk/>

Christmas Fayre

This years Christmas Fayre takes place on Friday 25th November. Father Christmas will be arriving on his sleigh at 1.00pm and children can be collected from their external doors at 1.30. The Fayre opens at 1.30pm. A form has been sent out to find out what parents like/dislike about the Fayre so we can try and improve the experience for everyone. If you haven't yet filled it in please can you do so asap. If anyone would like any further information please contact Mrs Allman.



Reading Competition

This half term we are going to be starting an exciting half termly Reading Competition whereby every child who logs their reading (by an adult or by themselves) using 'Boom Reader' (previously known as GoRead) at home or in school will be entered into a prize draw to win £20 book vouchers. Five pupils will be chosen each half term so let's get reading!



Internet Safety

Following recent reports of unsafe behaviour online, we will be sharing internet safety advice and new information about specific apps each week.

This week the focus is on the popular game - Call of Duty. Please click the link below to view more information.

[Call of Duty - Hwb](#)

Upcoming Events

- Wellies in the woods – Tuesday afternoons from 1:30 until 3:00, on 8th November until 13th December (See below flier for details)
- Celyn Class Service , Parent Lesson and Parent Lunch - 23rd November - 10:00 until approx. 12:00
- Pupils are to wear red to celebrate Wales playing in the World Cup - 25th November
- Christmas Fayre - PM of 25th November

- Nasal Flu Spray for all Full Time Pupils - 6th December
- Wear a Christmas Jumper & Christmas Dinner Day - 8th December
- Reception Stay and Play - 7th, 14th and 21st December, all sessions will run from 1:00 p.m. until 2:50 p.m.
- Panto Trip Year 1 to 6 - 14th December - Morning (Please find a copy of the letter below)
- Christmas Production Foundation Phase - 15th December - 1:30 and 5:00 (More information to follow)
- Christmas Parties (Children can wear Christmas Jumpers or Party Clothes) - 21st December



October, 2022

Dear Parents / Carers,

Arrangements have been made for the pupils from Year 1 to 6 to visit the Panto at Theatre Clwyd on Wednesday 14th December, 2022.

In order to make the visit possible, we will require a contribution of £10.00 per child which is the cost of the panto ticket only. School will be paying the cost of the transport on this occasion. The cost of the ticket is to be paid via the School Gateway App.

Pupils will return for their lunch and will therefore not require any pocket money or food / drink for the panto. The coach will leave school at 9.00 a.m.

If you wish for your child to see the panto, please go onto the School Gateway App. Your consent for your child to go on this trip will be asked for on the app. Payment should be made no later than Friday 9th December.

Those children who are not going to the panto will come to school as normal. We reserve the right to cancel this trip if we do not have enough children wishing to go. If payment has been received we will of course give a full refund, should this situation arise.

Yours sincerely,

David Thomas

Acting Headteacher





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WELLIES IN THE WOODS

Wellies in the Woods is a free family learning course, run over 6 two hour sessions in local communities.

Activities vary each week but include bug hunting, natural crafts, games, den building and more! All activities are suitable for children in Nursery to Year 2, giving parents and children the opportunity to learn and play together in the outdoors.

Sessions involve wildlife exploration, creativity with nature and getting active with each session based around some of the most popular children's story books!

Sessions will run on **Tuesday afternoons**

from **8.11.22** to **13.12.22** at **12.45pm - 14.45pm**

Posters



DONATION REQUEST



Foodbank

Following the success of our Harvest collection, we will have a trolley available daily for donations to be added. Children will take these to Holywell Foodbank on a weekly basis.

Christmas Jumpers

We are accepting donations of Christmas jumpers that no longer fit - we will then offer these free of charge to other families. Please pass to class teachers.





From November 7th, we will be offering a healthy snack for all children free of charge



You can still provide your own snacks but these need to be fruit or vegetables.



**TREES
PLEASE**



**WE NEED YOUR OLD CHRISTMAS
TREES**

**PLEASE CONTACT THE
OFFICE IF YOU CAN HELP.
01352 711 366**

*Five free Raffle
tickets for each
donation*





For more information in regard to any of the above posters, please contact school. With regard to the Drawing Competition, you will need the provided template, application form, and terms and conditions, please contact school if you would like to enter this competition.

Important Information

- Flintshire Schools Admissions - <https://www.flintshire.gov.uk/en/Resident/Schools/School-Admissions.aspx>
- For any enquiries in regard to School Transport, Streetscene & Transportation;
 - **Tel: 01352 701234**
 - **Email: school.transport@flintshire.gov.uk**

Target School Attendance per week: 93%

Our whole school attendance week ending 18/11/2022: 89.57%

Please can I remind parents how important it is, that if your child is not going to be in school, please can you contact the office on 01352 711366 as soon as possible, otherwise this will be marked as an unauthorised absence.

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School Holidays & Training Dates 2022 / 23

as at 07.11.2022

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Staff Training Days	Holidays (closed to pupils)	Bank Holidays (school closed)
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Percentage	Lost by Year 11
90%	1 ½ terms
80%	1 YEAR
70%	1 ½ YEARS
60%	2 YEARS
50%	2 ½ YEARS

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