



Ysgol Maes Y Felin 21.10.22

21st October

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A Message from Mr Thomas, Acting Headteacher

Prynhawn da.... Good afternoon

Wow what a busy couple of weeks.

I would like to start by thanking all of you who came to our Harvest Service, our first in three years, I hope you enjoyed it. We would also to thank you for the generous gifts given for the Flintshire Food Bank, they are gratefully received during this difficult time.

Last week saw Year 5/6 children take part in some American Football Workshops, the children learnt some new skills and had a lot of fun along the way.

Some of our Pupil Voice Groups presented to Mrs Nellist and Mr Thomas last week. The children were extremely impressive as they shared their action plans for the year and asked for certain things. We look forward to seeing these ideas come to life over the next few months.

This week started with Parent's Evening and it was nice to resume our face-to-face meetings. The feedback we received was mainly positive though we did still have a couple of technical problems which we apologise for. It was a little bit frustrating that around 10% of meetings were no shows without any reason. If you are unable to attend, could you please either contact the office or class teacher. This would enable us to offer these slots to other parents.

A group of Year 5/6 pupils worked with Ann Jones, Maths Advisor, they worked as a group through some difficult scenarios and showed great tenacity to get the correct outcome. Ann was very impressed.

Our Year 3/4 mixed football team competed in their first competition at Deeside Leisure Centre in an Aura Tournament. They acquitted themselves very well and had some notable victories. Mrs Saunders and Mr Johnson were very extremely proud of all the children who took part. Da iawn pawb.

The School Nurse came for her first drop-in session on Wednesday. She will be back next half term and is available to talk to and ask for advice in all aspects of health concerning your children.

Wednesday saw the pupils from the School Council hold their first event of the year, the Spooky Disco. Mrs Saunders, Mrs Rowett and their team organised a wonderful event. The children looked amazing all dressed up in their costumes and face paint. It was Spooktacular!!!!

Attendance is still a concern for us with current figures below our target of 93%. The Local Authority and the Welsh Government are making attendance a priority this year after being more lenient over the last year couple of years due to Covid. We have been assigned a new IWO (Inclusion Welfare Officer) Nina Porter who will be liaising between School and the Local Authority and also is here to support our parents.

Next week sees us finish the half term with our Health & Well-Being week. Mrs Evans and her team have organised some amazing guests and activities it is going to be a fun way to lead us into the Autumn half term. All children can come in comfy clothes everyday next week (no jeans).

Have a wonderful weekend and we will see you on Monday.

Kind regards,

Mr. David Thomas, Acting Headteacher



What have we been up to?

A number of year 5 pupils have been working with Will from Aura sports to receive some training in hope to become Dragon Sport Leaders. With this role, the children will then be able to lead some games during play times.





Children from MYF attended St. Peter's Church on Monday to help out after their service. Children undertook jobs including raffle ticket selling, table clearing and date checking food for the food bank. The children really enjoyed this and had the chance to go around and talk to many of the church members. They met the bishop and had the opportunity to ask some questions about the church and what they do.



A huge thank you for supporting our spooky disco, thank you to our staff members and parent helpers for organizing decorations, play lists, disco balls, refreshments and face painting!

The children had a brilliant time dancing and having fun with their friends and making some fantastic memories! Together we raised a fantastic £360 which will be used to improve our school led by our school council.

On Tuesday 18th October we took 8 children to go and play at Deeside Leisure Centre against numerous other schools. The aim of the festival was to give the children game experience and to just get them playing football.

We managed to win 4 matches which we were very pleased with! Every player worked really hard and showed great team work by encouraging each other. They represented our school brilliantly and made us all very proud!





Year 5/6 took part in an American football workshop. The children took part by completing the 6 stations that focused on different skills used in the game. The children thoroughly enjoyed the morning and would like to give a big thank you to Will at Aura Sports for organizing it!





Badgers class enjoyed their final stay and play session. There were some very colourful and sparkly castles made. A big thank you to the parents who came along and enjoyed the time making with their children.

I liked building with my family, Lotti

I liked that I got to make a castle and paint with my family, Grace

I made a flag with mummy, Oktawia

I made a bed for my castle with mummy, Eliza B





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 - 14th October, 2022

Alice , Foxes

Haydn , Squirrels

Latisha , Badgers

Daniel , Owls

Corey , Ceiriosen

Harri , Derwen

Phoebe , Celyn

Karol, Bedwen

We have recently introduced a new award, the idea was came up with by the wellbeing pupil voice group who would like to incorporate a wellbeing certificate to be given out during special mention service. The rewards are linked to the 5 ways of wellbeing.

Wellbeing Award - 14th October, 2022

Angelica , Celyn

Eliza , Badgers

Isla , Owls

Ben , Derwen

Lacey , Ceiriosen

Harri , Squirrels

Year 5 and 6 did not have any special mentions this week as they were taking part in different sports activities, therefore there will be double next week.

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



Lacey, Ceiriosen, has had a drawing of hers featured in a magazine.

Lois, Llwyfen, has completed all levels of the Rookies life saving programme.

Well Done Everyone!





This week, there is a slightly different special mention as one of our teachers, Miss Moffatt has recently had a beautiful baby boy, Louis. Congratulations!!



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 27.09.22:

- Dance Club for Years 3, 4, 5 and 6
- Netball Club for Years 4, 5 and 6

Wednesdays as from 28.09.22:

- Lego Club for Year 1 and 2
- Choir Club for Years 4, 5 and 6
- Drama Club for Years 3, 4, 5, and 6

Thursdays as from 29.09.22:

- Board Games for Year 3 and 4
- Art Club for Years 1 and 2
- Art Club for Years 3 and 4
- Football Club for Years 3, 4, 5, and 6.

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

Upcoming Events

- PTA meeting – 25th October 2 30pm – 3pm – All welcome
- Xplore School Trip - Year 5&6
- Wellies in the woods – Tuesday afternoons 12:45 – 2:45 from 8th November – 13th December (See below flier for details)
- Collen Class Service , Parent Lesson and Parent Lunch - 11th November

- Celyn Class Service , Parent Lesson and Parent Lunch - 23rd November
- Panto Year 1 to 6 - 14th December



Dates for your Diary

- Staff Training Day - 7th November
- Closing date for secondary school applications - 4th November
- Applications open for Early Entitlement - 14th November
- Applications open for Nursery/Reception - 26th September
- Tempest Photographs - 17th November
- Christmas Fayre - 25th November
- Nasal Flu Spray for Full Time Pupils - 6th December
- Infants Christmas Production - 15th December



Ysgol Maes y Felin

School Holidays & Training Dates 2022 / 23

As at 29.06.2022

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	Staff Training Day		Holidays (closed to pupils)		Bank Holidays (school closed)
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Current Vacancies

Would you like a job that fits in with your children? You will be able to drop your children at school and pick them up. Would you like to get qualifications while you work? This may be just the job for YOU!

Playworker/Trainee Playworker 16 hours pw

The Fun Club, Ysgol Maes y Felin, Pen y Maes Road Holywell, CH87EN

The person we need

- Enjoy working with young children and be willing to learn all the different aspects of the job
- Must hold Playwork L2 qualification or willing to work towards this qualification
- Must work well within the team

What we can offer

- Pay grade over minimum wage
- Every day will be different
- Support with training
- Free childcare if working in holidays

This position is subject to references and DBS Check

If you would like any further information or to apply for this position, please email thefunclub1@outlook.com

The closing date for any applications will be **7th November, 2022.**

Important Information

- Polite Reminder that Snack Money for Infants is due each half term, the cost is £9 per half term. If you are having trouble accessing the gateway please contact us.
- 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 School Attendance up to the week ending 07/10/22: 91.17%

Our School Attendance up to the week ending 14/10/22: 91.47%

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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