



Ysgol Maes Y Felin 28.10.22

28th October

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A Message from Mr Thomas, Acting Headteacher

Prynhawn da.... Good afternoon

Well, we have made it to the end of a very busy half term. We have introduced a number of new initiatives during the past 8 weeks and hope you and your children have enjoyed. We always look forward to feedback, which will help us to improve and provide even more opportunities for your children. The next half term is already looking busy and exciting as we move ever closer to Christmas.

It is nice to see our children out and about in the community. Some of the children went to help at the Open Table at St Peters. The feedback from Father Dominic was very positive and we are looking forward to more visits after the holiday.

This week has seen us have our Health & Well-Being week. There have been many highlights but the climbing wall, Hoola Nation and the visit of the Alpacas have been my particular favourites. Unfortunately, due to the wind picking up, two classes missed going up the wall, but we are looking at dates to invite them back in, so they don't miss out. Health & Well-Being is at the heart of the New Curriculum for Wales and the ethos of our school, so it has been fantastic to see the children enjoying so many different activities. A big thank you to Mrs Evans and her team who have organised some amazing guests and activities.

All that is left to say is, have a lovely and restful half term and we will see you on **TUESDAY NOVEMBER 8TH**. Stay safe.

Kind regards,

Mr. David Thomas, Acting Headteacher



What have we been up to?

Another successful church visit from some year 5/6 children of MYF. Children experienced the service led by the reverend and enjoyed their lunch with members of the congregation. They soon got stuck into their jobs of clearing tables, serving drinks, and selling raffle tickets for the food bank. We look forward to returning after half term.





PC Sawyer came to Ysgol Maes y Felin to speak with Year 5/6 children and to help them learn about legal and illegal substances, and what the dangers are involved with these. We played lots of different learning games and took part in classroom discussions.



As part of our health and wellbeing, here at Ysgol Maes y Felin we are going to be taking part in the Daily Mile. Please find a description of what this entails below.

The Daily Mile is a social physical activity, with children running, jogging or wheeling— at their own pace – in the fresh air with friends. Children can occasionally walk to catch their breath, if necessary, but should aim to run, jog or wheel for the full 15 minutes. We want every child to have the opportunity to do The Daily Mile at primary school, and are now working to build The Daily Mile’s community with schools, local councils, sports bodies and other supporters in the UK and beyond.



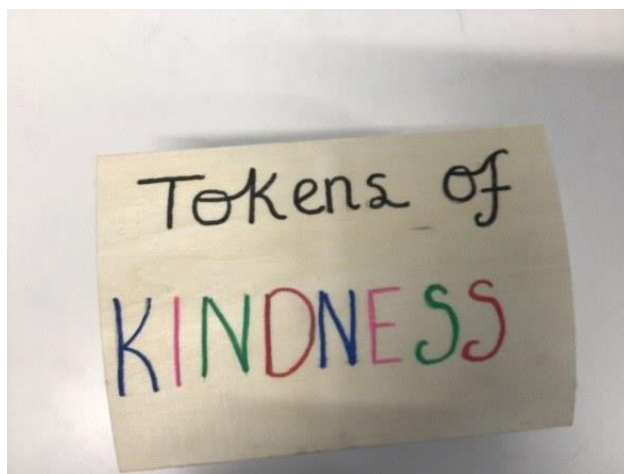


This week has been super exciting, and not to mention busy, for Ysgol Maes y Felin, as it has been our health and wellbeing week. All children have engaged in lots of different activities, please find below what Miss Joy has to say about what Llwyfen Class have been up to this week.

We have written poems on kindness, investigated how much sugar is in our favourite groups, we have danced whilst hula hooping and we have even spent time with Alpacas. As a class we have created a box for 'tokens of kindness' this has helped us spread kindness throughout each day. The children have also completed the daily mile everyday! Da lawn Llwyfen!

The alpacas were so soft and fluffy!, Lois





Even the staff enjoyed seeing the alpacas, especially Mrs Nellist, Mrs Evans, Miss Joy and Miss Parkes as you can see from the selfie below!



More activities we had for our health and wellbeing week were Zumba classes delivered by Miss Wild a rock climbing wall. All children from Reception upwards were given the chance to go on the wall and see how high they can get. Even some teachers had a go at climbing the wall, Mrs Davies smashed it!





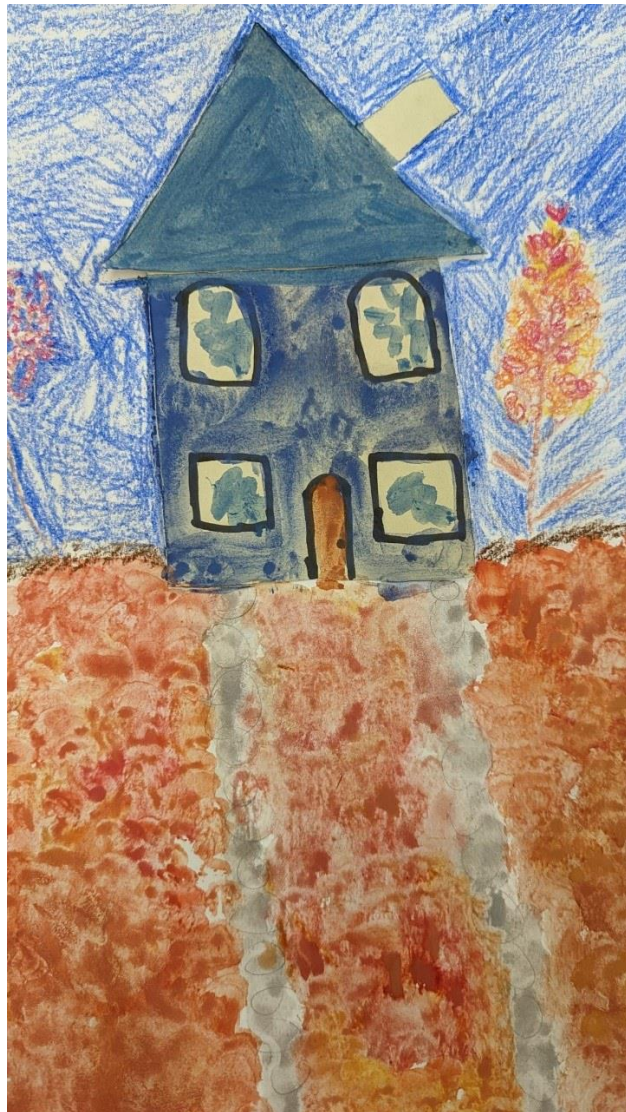
We really enjoyed the fantastic harvest assembly, it was lovely to see children from year 3-6 confidently deliver lines, share artwork and perform harvest songs. Please find below some examples of the artwork created.

Thank you for the amazing response to our food bank appeal. We had a fantastic amount to take to St Peter's Church next week, as mentioned, we will keep the donation trolley outside school each morning and will send donations on a regular basis, if you can donate, we would appreciate it. We were so pleased to see so many family members supporting our children, it was lovely to see the school hall filled to capacity and we hope you all enjoyed the afternoon.

Finally some special thank yous

- * to staff and the children for working so hard and producing an assembly to be proud of.
- * to family members for donations and continued support.
- * to criw cymraeg and staff for taking orders yn cymraeg and serving drinks before the assembly.
- *to Father Dominic for being our special guest, blessing our offerings and sharing a prayer.

Below are some images of the artwork which was created for the Harvest Service, as well as some Year 6 children taking the food donations to the St. Peter's Church Foodbank.







Today, Ysgol Maes y Felin attended a Welsh Water, Dwr Cymru, assembly. This was then followed by Year 5 and 6 classes taking part in workshops which helped them all to learn about how water travels through a system. As you can see below, they had lots of equipment to experiment with.

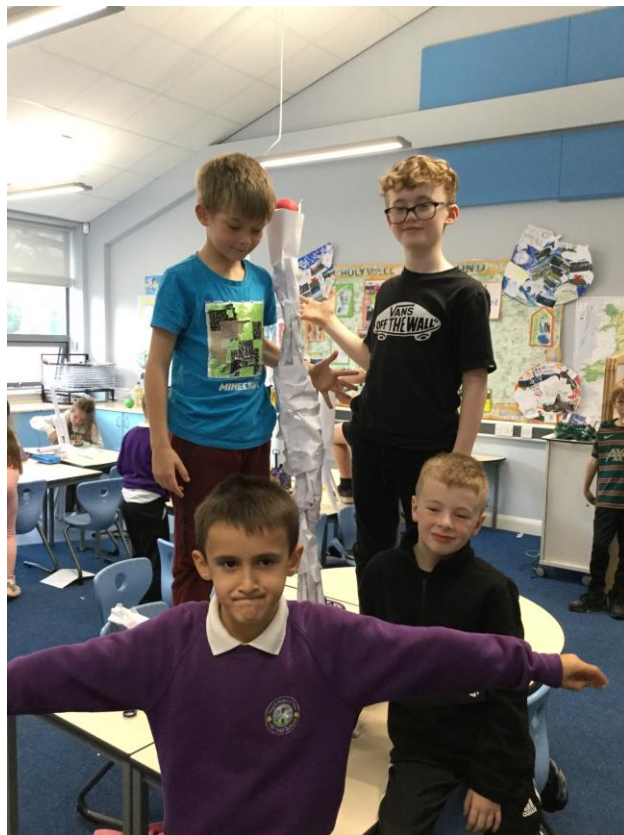




Masarnen had fun on their bikes and scooters this week. They wanted to bring them in as part of the health and wellbeing week.



The pupils in Ceiriosen all took part in the paper tower challenge. They had to work in teams and attempt to build a sturdy tower out of paper that would hold a small tennis ball. As you can see every group succeeded!



Ceiriosen got up to lots of different activities this week, they learnt new skills whilst making apple crumble. Also they learnt business skills as they became entrepreneurs for the morning as they sold, cakes, slime and bath bombs to each other.







Welsh Corner - Cornel Cymraeg

This week's phrase is..

Ga'i....

Can I

Jambori Cwpan y Byd Wales's

World Cup Singalong.

We are going to show our support for Cymru players going to the 2022 FIFA World Cup. We are going to support them by turning Wales red on Thursday 10 November, with the biggest ever Jambori singalong! Children are welcome to come to school in Welsh football kits or clothing in red, green or white.

Miss Sandham

This year I have been given the opportunity to go on the Welsh in a Year Sabbatical scheme - a fantastic opportunity to become confident and immersed in the Welsh language. The course aims to develop

teacher's Welsh personally and across school. The Welsh government has a target of one million Welsh speakers by 2050 and our school has a role to play in this.

The course began with a visit to Bangor University to meet teachers from other North Wales schools, it was great to share ideas and learn new things that we can do here at Ysgol Maes Y Felin! Each week I've learnt new words and phrases that our Criw Cymraeg can promote throughout school, this includes games and activities for Reception right up to Year 6.

In such a short space of time I'm feeling much more confident speaking Welsh and I look forward to supporting your children in learning Welsh in a fun and engaging way!

Hwyl,

Miss Sandham



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 - 28th October, 2022

Telisha , Foxes

Macey , Squirrels

Riley , Owls

Morgan , Badgers

Sara , Celyn

Danni-Lea , Derwen

Kairie-Jae , Ceiriosen

Lola , Masarnen

Megan , Collen

Amelia , Llwyfen

Dylan , Bedwen

The children have not had 'Tea with Mr T' this week due to it being Golden Time, however they will have it when they return to school on Tuesday 8th November.

Well done everyone!

Today we say goodbye to Mrs Sue Davies. Mrs Davies has been in Education for the last 48 years and has had a positive impact on thousands of children's lives. Many of you will remember her as the Piano Lady and it was lovely hearing play for us one last time. I'm sure you will join us all in wishing Mrs Davies all the best in the next chapter of her life. Diolch



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 next 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/>

Tempest Photographs

We are now in a position to be able to have a Tempest photographer come into school and take individual photographs of pupils. This will take place on Thursday 17th November in the morning. All pupils who are present will have their photograph taken for our records but please do not feel under any pressure to purchase the photographs when they are sent home.

At this stage, we are only able to allow family photographs with siblings who are at Ysgol Maes y Felin or younger. We are unable to allow pupils from High School to join in the picture. If you would like a family photograph to be taken, please complete the form attached (individuals will be taken automatically and these do not need to be booked). If you would like a family photograph who includes a child who is not in school, please come via the outside entrance of the hall from 8.30 a.m.. No access will be given via the school itself.

If your children all attend Ysgol Maes y Felin, we will organise their photographs during the school day. If you need this option, please complete the form below.

If you have a child in the afternoon Nursery and would like their individual photographs taken, please bring them to the hall at 8.30 a.m. via the hall entrance (right round the back of the school).

[Family Photographs](#)

Reading Competition

After half term we will 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 - Among Us. Please click the link below to view more information.

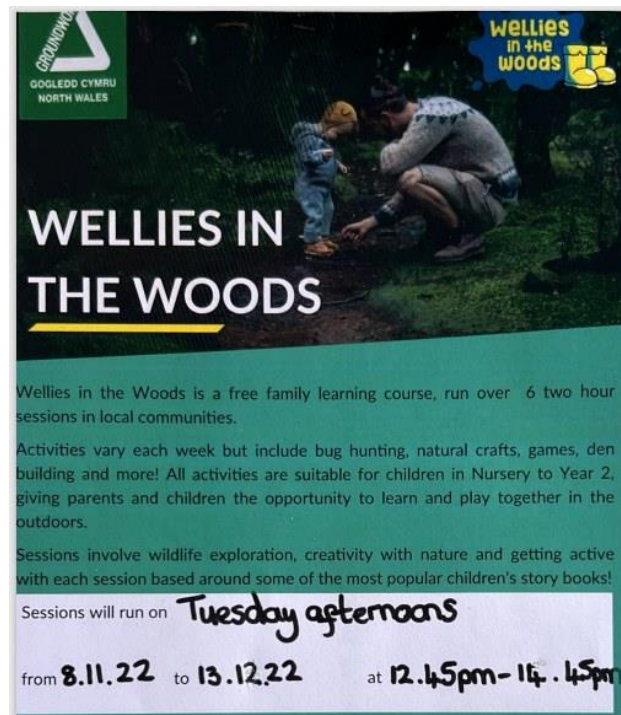
[Keeping Safe Online - Among Us](#)



Upcoming Events

- Year 5 & 6 Xplore School Trip - 8th November - All Day
- Wellies in the woods – Tuesday afternoons from 12:45 to 2:45, on 8th November until 13th December (See below flier for details)
- Jambori Singalong - 10th November (More information can be found under 'Welsh Corner - Cornel Cymraeg')
- Collen Class Service , Parent Lesson and Parent Lunch - 11th November - 10:00 until approx. 12:00
- Bedwen Trip to Cinema - 17th November - Half Day
- Reception Children Trip to Cinema - 18th November - Half Day
- Children In Need Pyjama Day for a donation - 18th November (More information to follow)

- Celyn Class Service , Parent Lesson and Parent Lunch - 23rd November - 10:00 until approx. 12:00
- Reception Stay and Play - 7th, 14th and 21st December (More information to follow)
- Panto Trip Year 1 to 6 - 14th December - Morning (More information to follow)
- Christmas Production Foundation Phase - 15th December - 1:30 and 5:00 (More information to follow)



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

Posters



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*



ALL WELCOME TO OUR:

**FANCY DRESS
OPTIONAL!**



**BRING YOUR
CARVED PUMPKIN!**

5-7PM 30TH OCTOBER 2022

FOOD - GAMES - SONGS & MORE!

HOLY TRINITY CHURCH

GREENFIELD

**AIMED ESPECIALLY FOR FAMILIES WITH
CHILDREN UNDER THE AGE OF 11**





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, CH8 7EN

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

- 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 28/10/2022: 89.22%

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

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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