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A Message from Mr Thomas, Headteacher



Prynhawn da/Good Afternoon,

Well, we have come to the end of our first full week and it has been a tad on the cold side.

The children are back into their work routines and are producing some lovely pieces of work which you will see further into the Newsletter.

Yeah 5/6 classes have had a very busy week. Monday saw the three classes continue their work with Airbus and Wednesday they had a fantastic time working on their STEM projects which was delivered by Bangor University.

Mrs Saunders was very proud of her Netball team on Monday as they finished up second in the Holywell tournament. Bendigedig pawb.

Attendance is becoming a bigger problem for us here at Maes Y Felin and throughout Wales and the UK. Our guidance from the Welsh Government and Flintshire has been updated and I will share this and our procedures with you next week.

Next week will see our after-school clubs start I know some of them are filling up very quickly so sign up quickly if you want your child to take part.

Friday sees Derwen have the privilege of having the first class service of 2024. These events are a fantastic opportunity for you to come and witness how proud your children are of the work they are doing in class. If you haven't booked your lunch can you please do so with Mrs Dickinson to ensure food will be there for you on the day.

Our Criw Cymraeg and School Council have been busy organizing our Santes Dwynen disco which will take place on Thursday.

Hope you all have a wonderful weekend.

David Thomas

Acting Headteacher.

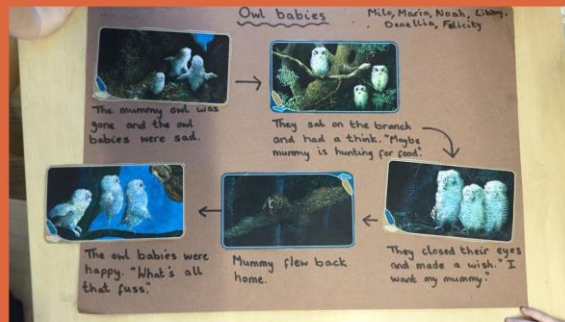
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What's been happening in school this week

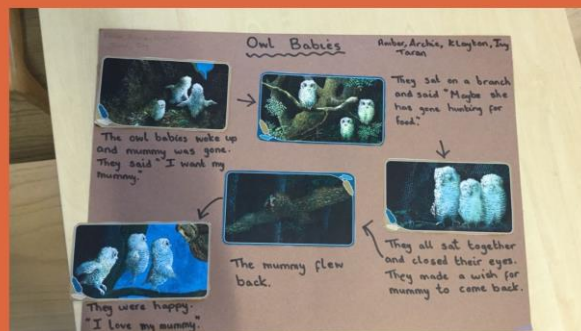
Squirrels and Foxes

In Foxes and Squirrels class this week, we have continued our work on 'Owl Babies' from last week. The children have been working as a group to sequence and retell the story using a story map. We will be using these story maps next week to create an animation of the story. In maths, the children have been practicing their measuring skills. We have compared the sizes of various owls and measured their wingspan.

NYW: I can create a story map of the story Owl Babies. I can retell the story in my own words.



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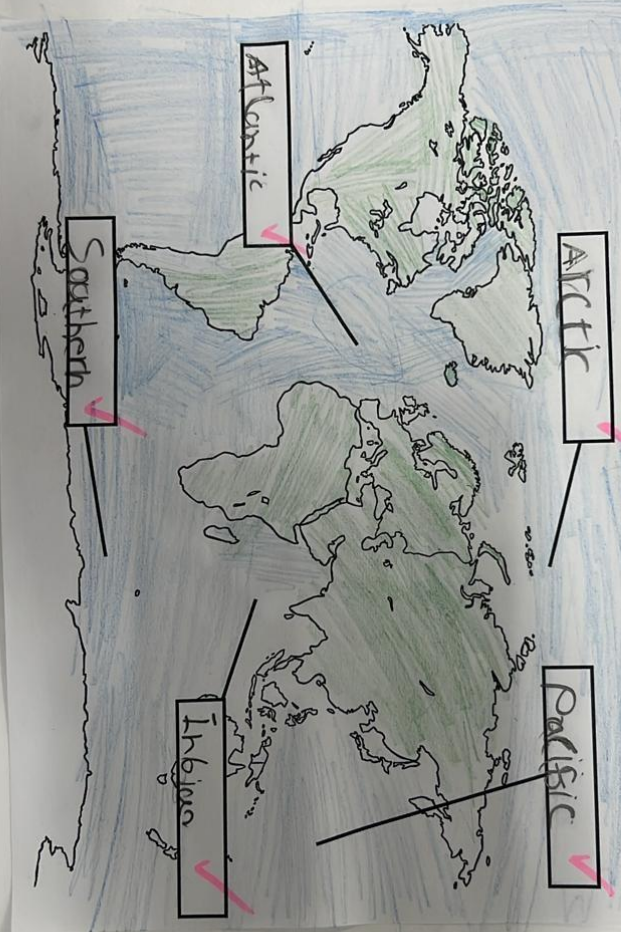




Date: w/c Monday 15th January 2024

NYW- I can identify where the Oceans are on a map.

The Five Oceans of the World



✓ well done
⑦ ice





Derwen and Ceiriosen

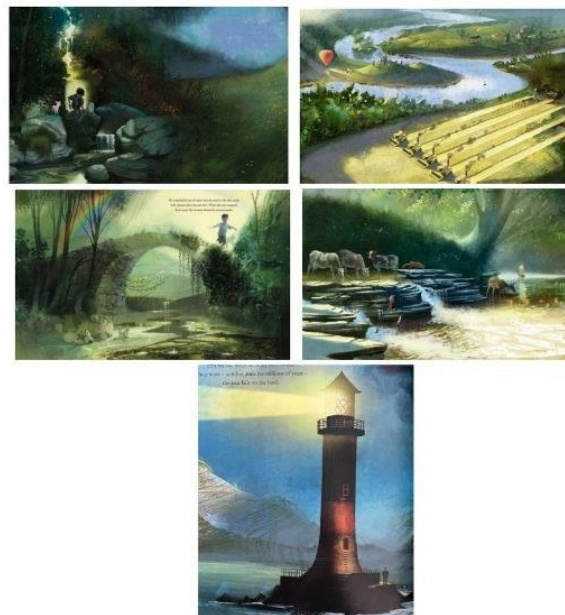
The children in Derwen and Ceiriosen have had a very busy week in their learning. They haven't let the cold weather stop them from learning outside and have enjoyed making story maps using chalk to practise their Cymraeg.

In Maths they have been learning about how to transfer the data they collected in their Science experiment to draw bar graphs on graph paper.

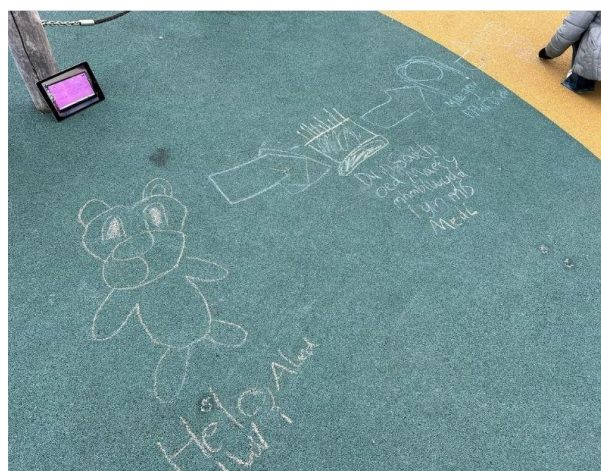
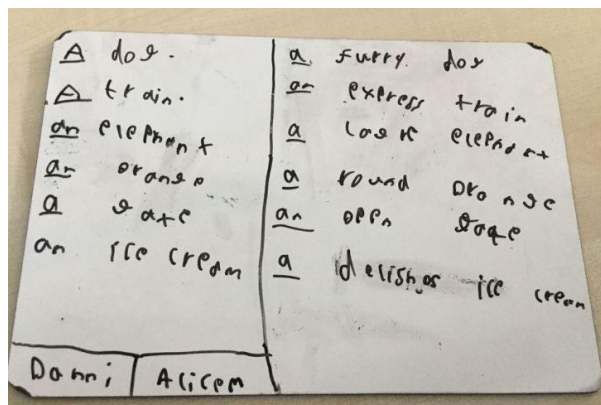
In Language the children have been looking at when to use determiners and using their imagination to respond to different pictures from a picture book.

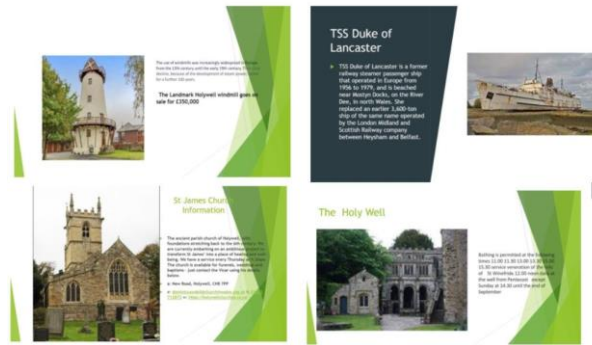
The children continue to add more ideas to their Animal Kingdom topic and have looked at how they can achieve the Four Core Purposes through their topic.

Derwen have their class service next Friday 26th January at 10am so we look forward to seeing you then! We hope you can stay after the service for tea/coffee and to take part in the lesson with your child.





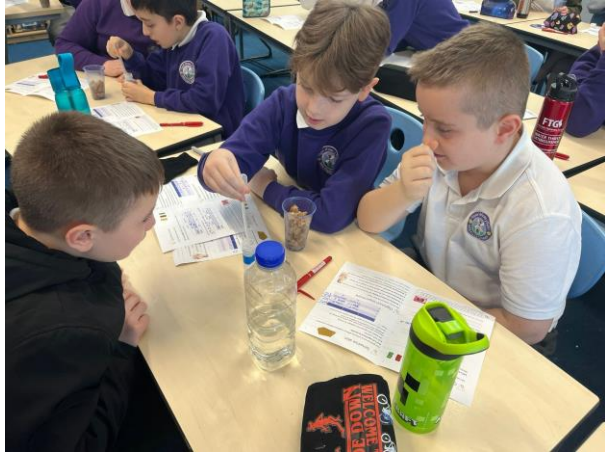




Masarnen, Collen a Llwyfen

We've had a fantastic week in Blwyddyn 5 a 6. At the beginning of the week, the school had been invaded by zoo animals that had left lots of clues about what we're learning about in topic and our class book, King Kong. Airbus came to teach us how to debug algorithms. 'Reach Wider' also came to deliver a science workshop about the human body. We thoroughly enjoyed taking part in the investigations, especially the one about our digestive system!

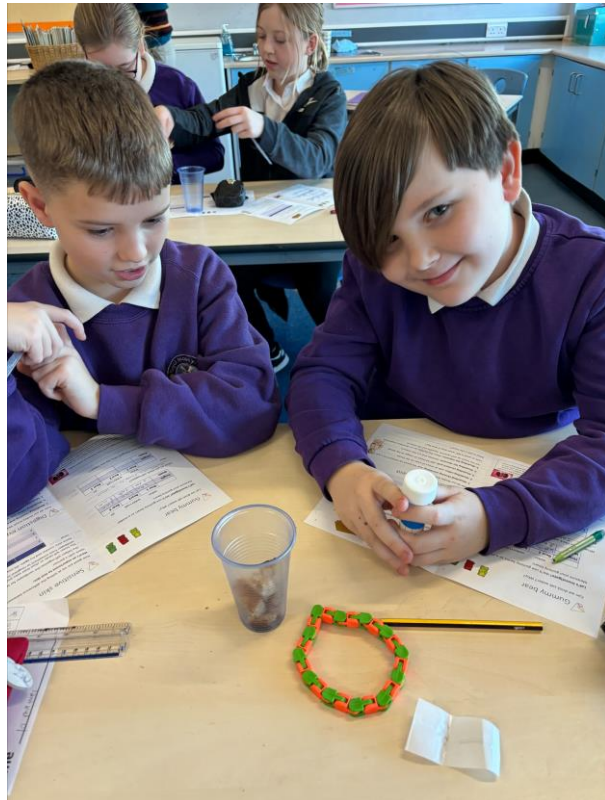














Enfys

This week in Enfys the children have enjoyed working on their Unearthing Boxes! The boxes include a series of activities to help children see an altogether different, more positive view of themselves, helping them to lead their life in the best possible way! They've made a great start and are looking forward to continuing them next week.

Special Achievements



On Monday 15th January we played in the Holywell Area Netball Competition. We played against three other schools: Ysgol Bro Carmel, Maes Glas and St. Winefrides.

We played our first match against Bro Carmel, in the last minute of the match we scored our first goal and took the win. The second game was a very tough game against St.Winefrides, they won 9-1 but our team didn't give up and gave it 100% up until the final whistle. Our last match was against Maes Glas, in this match we really started to gel as a team and won 6-0.

Overall, we came second in the Holywell Area Competition. We are very proud of the team and how amazing they worked together!



Molly won an award at Popstars this week - da iawn!

Menu

<div>Refresh</div>		Our school <div>kitchen</div> Menu			<div> NEWydd Catering & Cleaning</div>
		October 2023 - April 2024			
	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
WEEK 1	<div>Jumbo Fish Finger</div> <div>*OR*</div> <div>Baked Veggie Nuggets</div> <div>Served with creamed mashed potato & baked beans</div> <div>Fresh Baked Bread</div> <div>Llaeth Y Llan Yoghurt Bar & Fresh Fruit</div> <div> PASTA POTS </div>	<div>Welsh Beef Bolognaise</div> <div>*OR*</div> <div>Veggie Pasta Bolognaise</div> <div>Served with pasta in tomato sauce, peas & garlic bread</div> <div>Fresh Baked Bread</div> <div>Fruit Sponge & Custard & Fresh Fruit</div> <div> JACKET POTATO </div>	<div>Roast Chicken Dinner of the Day</div> <div>*OR*</div> <div>Veggie Roast Dinner of the Day</div> <div>Served with roast potato, carrots, broccoli & Yorkshire pudding</div> <div>Fresh Baked Bread</div> <div>Llaeth Y Llan Yoghurt Bar & Fresh Fruit</div> <div> SANDWICHES </div>	<div>Chicken Curry & Naan Bread</div> <div>*OR*</div> <div>Vegetable Jalfrezi</div> <div>Served with rice, peas & naan bread</div> <div>Fresh Baked Bread</div> <div>Llaeth Y Llan Yoghurt Bar & Fresh Fruit</div> <div> JACKET POTATO </div>	<div>Beef Burger or Vegan Burger</div> <div>in a Bun</div> <div>*OR*</div> <div>Salmon Fillet</div> <div>Served with chips & veg sticks</div> <div>Fresh Baked Bread</div> <div>Cocoa Cookie & Fresh Fruit</div> <div> PASTA POTS </div>
WEEK 2	<div>Sticky BBQ Baked Sausage</div> <div>*OR*</div> <div>Sticky BBQ Baked Vegan Sausage</div> <div>Served with creamed mashed potato & baked beans</div> <div>Fresh Baked Bread</div> <div>Llaeth Y Llan Yoghurt Bar & Fresh Fruit</div> <div> PASTA POTS </div>	<div>Tuscan Chicken & Pasta</div> <div>Served with pasta, sweetcorn & garlic bread</div> <div>*OR*</div> <div>Cream of Tomato Soup & Roll</div> <div>Fresh Baked Bread</div> <div>Marble Sponge & Custard & Fresh Fruit</div> <div> SANDWICHES </div>	<div>Roast Turkey Dinner of the Day</div> <div>*OR*</div> <div>Veggie Roast Dinner of the Day</div> <div>Served with roast potatoes, carrots, green beans & Yorkshire pudding</div> <div>Fresh Baked Bread</div> <div>Llaeth Y Llan Yoghurt Bar & Fresh Fruit</div> <div> PASTA POTS </div>	<div>Baked Fish Fillet</div> <div>Served with creamed mashed potato & baked beans</div> <div>*OR*</div> <div>Chilli Non Carne</div> <div>Vegetarian mince chilli served with rice & peas</div> <div>Fresh Baked Bread</div> <div>Llaeth Y Llan Yoghurt Bar & Fresh Fruit</div> <div> PASTA POTS </div>	<div>Chicken Nuggets</div> <div>Served with chips & veg sticks</div> <div>*OR*</div> <div>Vegetable Tortilla Stack</div> <div>Served with chips & veg sticks</div> <div>Fresh Baked Bread</div> <div>Shortbread Biscuit & Fresh Fruit</div> <div> JACKET POTATO </div>
WEEK 3	<div>Big Breakfast</div> <div>Bacon, free range omelet & baked beans</div> <div>*OR*</div> <div>Veggie Big Breakfast</div> <div>Vegan sausage, free range omelet & baked beans</div> <div>Fresh Baked Bread</div> <div>Llaeth Y Llan Yoghurt Bar & Fresh Fruit</div> <div> PASTA POTS </div>	<div>Meatballs & Pasta</div> <div>*OR*</div> <div>Veggie Meatballs & Pasta</div> <div>Vegetarian meatballs in a tomato sauce, peas & garlic bread</div> <div>Fresh Baked Bread</div> <div>Cocoa Sponge & Custard & Fresh Fruit</div> <div> JACKET POTATO </div>	<div>Roast Chicken Dinner of the Day</div> <div>*OR*</div> <div>Veggie Roast Dinner of the Day</div> <div>Served with mashed potatoes & garden peas, carrots & Yorkshire pudding</div> <div>Fresh Baked Bread</div> <div>Llaeth Y Llan Yoghurt Bar & Fresh Fruit</div> <div> SANDWICHES </div>	<div>Ham & Cheese Calzone Pocket</div> <div>*OR*</div> <div>Cheese & Tomato Calzone Pocket</div> <div>Served with baked wedges & peas</div> <div>Fresh Baked Bread</div> <div>Llaeth Y Llan Yoghurt Bar & Fresh Fruit</div> <div> JACKET POTATO </div>	<div>Chicken Burger in a Bun</div> <div>*OR*</div> <div>Baked Cod Goujons</div> <div>Served with chips & veg sticks</div> <div>Fresh Baked Bread</div> <div>Cocoa Krispie Cake & Fresh Fruit</div> <div> PASTA POT </div>
	<div>NEW SALAD BAR</div> <div>To help children reach their 5 a day every school now has a new help yourself salad bar. Children can fill up on a choice of at least 6 fresh salad items every day. Available with every meal choice.</div> <div></div>	<div>NEW DESSERT BARS</div> <div>Our aim is to get children to eat more fruit based desserts at lunchtime. Each school now has a new help yourself dessert bar where children can choose Llaeth Y Llan yogurts and top with a wide choice of fresh seasonal fruits.</div> <div></div>	<div> APPROVED</div> <div>This menu has been nutritionally analysed in line with Welsh Government Guidance to meet pupils needs for protein, carbohydrates, fat, sugar and salt.</div>	<div>ALLERGENS & INTOLERANCES</div> <div>Many of our dishes are available to accommodate special dietary requirements - please contact our Cook to discuss these options</div>	
KEY:	<div> Suitable for Vegetarians</div>	<div> Vegan Option Available</div>	<div> Additional Daily Option</div>	PLEASE NOTE:	***OUR MENUS COULD BE SUBJECT TO CHANGE DUE TO NATIONWIDE SUPPLY ISSUES.***

Attendance



Badgers won the class attendance award today.



Max won the individual attendance award.

Our current attendance is 88.30%

Cornel Cymraeg

Gair yr Wythnos



Dosbarth yr Wythnos



1 - Foxes

Athrawes yr Wythnos



2 - Miss Tait

Siaradwyr Cymraeg yr Wythnos



Upcoming events

. 25th January - Santes Dwynwen. Disco in school.

- 26th January - Derwen class service and lunch
- 8th February - Reading cafe 2.30-3pm

- 9th February Ceiriosen class service and lunch
- 9th February - Children's mental Health week
- 12th February Half term
- 19th February - Children back to school
- 22nd February - Reading Cafe
- 1st March. School Eisteddfod. Dydd Gŵyl Dewi
- 7th March - Reading cafe
- 7th March - World book day. More information to follow
- 8th March- Owls class service and lunch.
- 8th March. stay and play years 5 and 6
- 11th March - Commonwealth service Westminster Abbey. Representatives from school to attend.
- 15th March - stay and play year 5 and 6
- 18th March - Parents evening
- 20th March. Hedgehogs class service and lunch for parents
- 22nd March - Stay and play years 5 and 6
- 25th March - Easter Holidays
- 8th April - staff training day
- 9th April - children return to school

School Information

Access

The gate from the bus bay on the high school site will now remain closed until 2 45pm (previously 2 30pm)

Nuts

We are a nut free school, please ensure there are no nut based foods brought on to the premises.

Collection from School

From September 2023 ONLY children in year 5 and 6 can walk home without an adult and this will only be allowed once we have had written permission from parents/carers. All other children must be collected by an adult. Please let us know if someone different is collecting your children, if you would like a password system set up, please speak to class teachers or the office.

Holiday Form

If you wish to take your children on holiday during term time, can you please fill out the below Holiday Request Form, at least 7 days before the first day of absence.

[Holiday Request Form](#)

Clubs

After school clubs for Autumn are available to book on school cloud.

Zero Tolerance

Aggressive, violent and threatening behaviour towards school staff will not be tolerated. Individuals behaving aggressive or violently towards school staff will be asked to leave the premises and reported to the police.

School Essentials Grant

Children whose families are on lower incomes and [qualify for certain benefits](#) can apply for a grant of:

- £125 per learner
- £200 for learners entering year 7 (to help with increased costs associated with starting secondary school)

All compulsory school years from reception to year 11 are now eligible.

All looked after children qualify for the grant, whether they receive free school meals or not. Learners who receive free school meals due to transitional protection arrangements do not qualify.

Families are only entitled to claim once per child, per school year.

The 2023 to 2024 scheme is now open and will close on 31 May 2024.

To apply for this grant please contact your local authority.

<https://www.gov.wales/school-essentials-grant>

PE Timetable

	9 am	10 am	11 am	1 pm	2 pm
Monday	Squirrels (M/H)	Derwen (M/H)	Collen (M/F)	Foxes (H/M/F)	Howfen (H/F)
Tuesday		Howfen (M/H)	Bedwen (H/M/F)	Bedeshow (M/H)	Celrioseh (M/H)
Wednesday	Owls (M/H)	Celrioseh (M/F)	Derwen (M/F)	Squirrels (H/M/F)	Collen (F/H)
Thursday		Bedwen (M/H)	Badgers (H/M/F)	Owls (H/M/F)	Masarnen (M/H)
Friday	Foxes (M/H)	Bedeshow (M/F)	Badgers (M/H)	Masarnen (F/H)	Golden Time
	M = Muga	F = Field	H=Hall		

3 - PE timetable for whole school - for individual timetables, please see class seesaw.



Come and join our School Family



What do we offer?

- * 30 hours free childcare
- * Breakfast Club from 7 45am
- * After school Club until 5 30pm
- * Extensive grounds and excellent outdoor facilities
- * A full programme of after school clubs
- * A focussed Nurture Provision
- * An on site family liaison officer
- * Opportunities for families to come in to school and work alongside their children.
- * Offsite trips and experiences including residential visits.
- * Expert staff who work with children to plan engaging and authentic learning experiences

We have spaces available in most year groups for an immediate start.

I really like the communication from school, it's great seeing what my child has been up to on a daily basis. - Parent

I love coming to school, we do lots of fun things - Pupil in year 4

The school nurtures a calm learning environment where the relationship between staff and pupils supports learning effectively. - Estyn 2019

For admission enquires and to arrange a visit to the school, please contact the main office - 01352 711366, mfmfmail@hwbcymru.net

4 - Our school information.

Learning, training and employment opportunities

FREE training

from Achieve More Training for those who live or work in Wales

[Achieve More Apprenticeships Ltd. \(achievemoretraining.com\)](http://achievemoretraining.com)

Coleg Cambria

We are hosting a variety of open events throughout November

Don't forget to book on using the link: <https://buff.ly/3Zli8Gs>

North Wales Disability Information Sharing Event 2023

- Where: Venue Cymru, Llandudno
- When: Thursday 2nd November 2023
- Time: 10:00 am until 3:00 pm

Free entry for all

Join us for ...

- Information stalls from over 50 organisations, charities and specialist companies
- Sensory room, quiet room and under 5's room
- Activities for all ages and abilities
- Lego cafe
- The Autism Reality Experience bus
- Workshops and demonstrations throughout the day (Limited spaces at the workshops; booking required)
- ... and more



No booking necessary to attend the main exhibition of information stalls

This event welcomes parents, carers, families and professionals to attend

For more information please contact Sam:

Samantha@standnw.org

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In our community

The Table

The Table is open Monday from 12-2 in St Peter's Church (behind Lidl)

Free delicious lunch in our warm church

Shop for a basket of shopping (we only ask for a donation, if you can afford it)

A listening ear and access to other sources of support

Creche, so small children can be kept safe and have fun while we're open!

And we always begin with the Bread of Life Service @ 11.30!

All are welcome and there are no barriers to coming along!

Children's University

Are you a parent in North Wales why not use our link to find activities you can do on your doorstep

<https://www.childrensuniversity.co.uk/activity-search/>

Holywell Library

These activities take place at Holywell Library every week, for further information please contact the Library on: 01352 703850 or holywell.library@aura.wales

Lego Club - Monday 10.00 - 11.00 & 3.30 - 4.30

Rhyme time- Tuesday 10.00 – 10.30

Drawing / Games Club - Tuesday 4.30 – 5.30

Learn my Way (Basic IT course) - Thursday 11.00 – 12.00 noon

Sport and Recreation



HOLYWELL NETBALL CLUB
JUNIOR TRAINING SESSIONS

YEAR 4, 5 & 6
WEDNESDAY 5.30 til 6.30pm

HOLYWELL HIGH SCHOOL
COSTS
Training sessions £3.50 weekly payable via SPOND app
Wales Netball annual membership £10
Year 4/5/6 sessions enter teams in a netball league
on Sundays at Deeside Leisure Centre
*additional fee payable

Please email
holywellnetballclub@gmail.com
for information on joining our sessions

Contact Us

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