



NEWSLETTER 7TH MARCH 2024

Year 6 have had the most amazing time at Nant Bwlch y Haear, near Llanrwst. They went on Wednesday- eager and looking forward to the adventure. They returned having tried new experiences and shattered. They were kept busy doing canoeing, gorge walking, high ropes and zip line, night walk and hide and seek in the dark! The staff were best at hiding! Thank you very much to Miss Lloyd, Miss Williams and Mr Matthias for giving up their time to take the children, it is much appreciated.

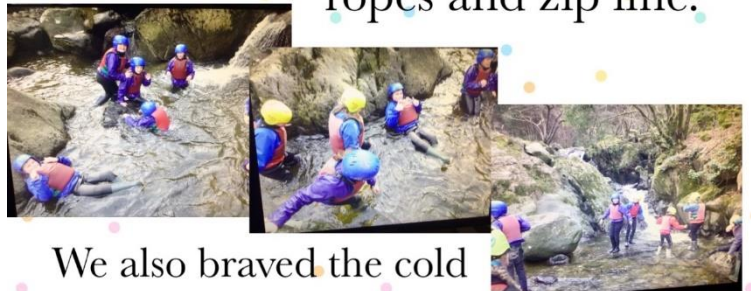
We have had a busy afternoon in Nant BH canoeing on Llyn Geirionydd. We are all ok, just having a shower and warming up before having tea 😊



Day 2 Adventures at Nant BH



We have been out of our comfort zone on the high ropes and zip line.



We also braved the cold water to go gorge walking.



Did you see Harri appear on "the One Show" on Monday night? Please follow the link on Seesaw, he appears about 25mins into the show.



Year 1 are super excited as it is their turn to visit Pendine Nursing Home on Monday to do some arts and crafts with the residents. Miss Edwards is super excited too!!!



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These Year 2 children have completed their 10 Reading Challenges- we are super proud of you! Ardderchog!

Thank you to all the families who made a fabulous effort on Thursday for World Book Day, everyone looked amazing!

Mrs Lees, our School Improvement Advisor (with a love of literature and books) judged the competition of a book character made out of a household object. Winners will be announced on Monday during service.



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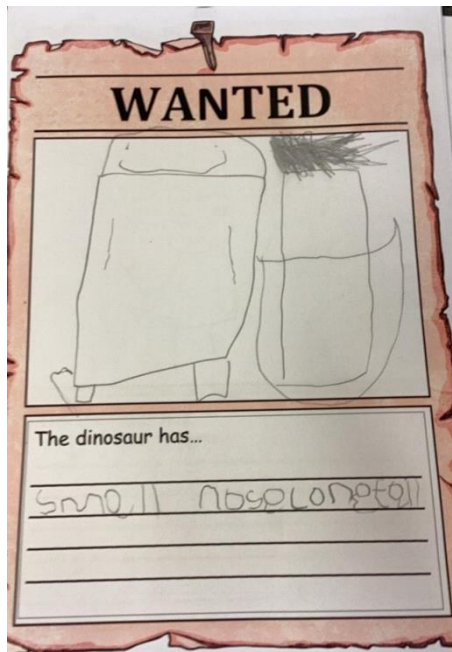
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While Miss Lloyd has "been on holiday" with Year 6, Mrs Scandariato and **Reception** have been investigating something strange on the school CCTV. They watched the clip...THERE WAS A DINOSAUR ON THE SCHOOL YEARD!!!

We went outside to look for clues. There was a scratch on the gate, dinosaur footprints and a half eaten chocolate cake!

"He's eaten the chocolate cake!" - Amelia

"Scratch on a gate." - Arya

The children couldn't decide whether it was a real dinosaur or not, but when we re-watched the clip, Reece noticed the dinosaur had shoes on!

"Hold on...the dinosaurs got shoes on! They don't wear shoes!" - Reece

"It's just someone in a suit!" - Harlen

We completed lots of dinosaur related activities - Dino shapes, footprint estimating, painting, digital artwork and WANTED posters! The posters worked...on Friday afternoon the dinosaur was found and came to visit us in Reception! Reece was right - the dinosaur did have shoes! It turned out Owen from Year 6 was dressed as a dinosaur! We went to tell Mrs Davies the good news - she was very relieved that there wasn't a dinosaur on the rampage around our school!



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Those Year 6 that did not go to Nant BH had the opportunity to be 'teaching assistants' in different classes. This complimented their Year 6 topic of "Careers." The teaching assistants had to sign in, follow a job description and even had their own staffroom with refreshments. Thank you very much to **Mr Amiri, Mr Crisp, Mr Edwards, Mr Griffiths, Mr Jones, Mr Lloyd-Baines, Mr Nuttall and Mr Starr** - you all have truly excelled in your role and looked the part as well-very smart! Some words of appreciation from the classes you helped this week.

Mr Lloyd-Baines has been a welcome addition to our **Nursery**

class. His willingness to undertake any task given and his friendly nature are his strengths. He used his initiative when interacting with the children and was a genuinely lovely member of staff for the short time he was with us. Some of the children when asked how they felt about him have said, "I liked playing the dinosaur game with him," and "I love him because he plays with me," as well as "I like him drawing on the board with me," and "he plays games with me." Strong testimonials indeed. I would not hesitate to recommend him for a similar position. Thank you Mr Lloyd Baines.

Mr Lloyd Baines was able to take on a range of tasks and it was great to see him using his initiative and imagination when working with groups and the class. He even volunteered to read the class a story each day, complete with character voices!

The children loved working with him as he was enthusiastic and willing to get involved with all the activities. You are very welcome back into Year 2 Mr Lloyd Baines and thank you very much for all your help.

Jacob- I liked it when Mr Baines read us a story.

Kian- I liked it when he read ' I am a tiger '.

Jacob H- Mr Jones helped me to do my Maths. He showed me how to use my 100 square again.

Ted- I liked it when Mr Baines & Mr Jones were with us at Forest School. They came and they led the games.

Gregory- Owen used funny voices when he read, "The pesky rat."

Lucy- Mr Baines helped us in the library with our treasure hunt finding different books, like animal books and fairy tales.

It's been brilliant having some extra TA's in **Reception** class! They would like to say a **MASSIVE** thank you to **Mr Edwards**, he has a lovely, kind, calm nature about him and the young children really responded well to him. He is able to talk to them, on their level which is a great skill to have. He can see when they need help e.g. putting on their coats, opening their milk and he steps in to help. **Mr Edwards** helped the children create some "roar" some dinosaur pictures on J2E, draw dinosaurs on a WANTED poster and helped the children in the areas. He worked very hard and used his initiative, helping the children whenever he was needed. Mr Edwards would make a brilliant teacher in the future! 😊

Mr Edwards

He learns me things - Ellie

He plays with me - Emi

He helped me - Harri

Mr Griffiths

He dinosaur! - Alan. He always play with me. He give me piggybacks! - Amelia He did play in the dinosaurs - Harlen

Mr Griffiths has worked extra hard in reception and forest school. He helped the children learn their shapes, chatted to them in the areas and modelled how to tidy up well. 😊 In Forest School he helped Year 4 develop their knot tying skills and helped Year 5 he helped them create music using natural and man-made resources. He was a

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lot of help and came up with a lot of great ideas. If we need help in Forest School in the future we know who to ask!



Wow... where do I start? **Mr Crisp** has been the most helpful, eager and kind teaching assistant ever. He built lovely relationships with all children and is a very popular member of our class family. He is a credit to our school, his lovely family and of course himself. So very proud of you Mr Crisp, you will be missed. Thank you so much for all your hard work. Da iawn til!" Miss Edwards

"Year 1 have been really good at doing Maths and I was surprised at how good they were in their brand new Abacus books. I loved everyone's costumes for World Book Day and have enjoyed my yummy treats off Miss Edwards and Mr Haynes. I also loved doing the Artwork and have had the best time" Mr Zac Crisp

"Mr Crisp has been helping us do our work," said Hallie. "He's very nice and helps us a lot," said Chase
"Mr Crisp is the best at helping us with our Abacus book," said Oscar. "He's very kind to us," said Oliwia
"Mr Crisp shares things & cares about us," said Tinushi "He is the best teacher in the whole wide world," said Rosie
"Mr Crisp is funny, he made us laugh when he wore the red wig," said everyone

Mr Jones was such a great help in **Year 2**. The children loved working with him and he was able to support them with their learning. You had a very quiet, calm manner with the children and they had such respect for you. Thank you so much, we would love you to keep in touch with our class and come and work with us whenever you can.

Year 3 have been very lucky to have been supported by **Mr Amiri** over the last three days. He has taken on the role of a Teaching Assistant very well and has helped lots of individuals during his three days in our class. His help has been greatly appreciated by all Year 3 children and staff. Some of the children wanted to share their gratitude and appreciation to Mr Amiri:

"He has helped me and other children and he has helped Miss Morris and other teachers," - Lily

"He helped me in Phonics with 'C' words 😊," - Zak

"He helps nearly every teacher and I think he is really good. We should keep him!" - Roman

"He helped me while we were doing the quiz when it was World Book Day. I think he is good and we should keep him as one of our teachers. I guess he is helpful. If you see this Mr Amiri, well done!" - Wiktor

"He is very helpful!," - Zoey

In **Year 4** we have had the pleasure of having **Mr Nuttall** aka Patrick with us!

"He has helped us with our maths when we are stuck, he sat down with us and used white boards to help us," - Seren

"Patrick has drawn lots of things with us, we had a space timeline he managed to draw all the pictures!" -Jason

"Patrick has brought entertainment to Year 4," - Ruari

"We would like to trap him and keep him forever," - Linda

It has been brilliant having Patrick in Year 4, he has been a fabulous helper. He had big boots to fill taking Mr Griffiths' job for the week, however, he has he listened, helped out massively in class and most importantly brought a huge smile to all of our faces with how lovely he has been 😊



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Mr Starr has been supporting **Year 5** for the latter half of the week. He has excelled in his role- always being available to help the children, if needed. He would look to help the children and was fully involved in the running of the class. It has been a pleasure to have Oliver in class. He comes in on time, helped all pupils with their work, has read with children and even took the Friday spelling test. Thank you for all your help Oli, you truly are a star!

Cerys - He has been really fun and very helpful. Ethan - He has helped us in maths and helped us in Minecraft. Freya - Mr Starr has taught me different codes in Minecraft. Emily- He is really fun and helped me a lot in Maths. Ossian - He was very kind to me and helped finish off my topic work and he was always happy.

Mr Scandariato and **Miss Wilson** would like to say a big, big thank you to **Mr Griffiths** (Cairon) for all the help and assistance he had provided during Forest School sessions. He has really found his calling- his love for the outdoors and Forest School skills has been infectious. He has been so enthusiastic helping the other learners to further their skills too. Thank you Mr Griffiths, you are welcome back to help in Forest School sessions anytime!



Parking - You might have read in the Leader that there has been a meeting regarding the parking outside the school. Please can you be considerate when dropping off your children and picking up.

Diolch yn fawr for your continued support.

Mrs Beth Davies - Headteacher



SCHOOL TRAINING DAYS 2022-23 are Friday 22nd March, Thursday 2nd May, Friday 3rd July.
School will be closed to pupils on these dates

**Non Uniform Day
Friday 15th March**

All we ask is for a donation towards our hampers for the Easter Bingo

**Nursery & Year 3
Savoury snacks**

**Reception & Year 4
Easter themed items**

**Year 1 & Year 5
Bottles**

**Year 2 & Year 6
Easter eggs**

Many thanks for your continued support

PIC-COLLAGE

Monday 11th March – Year 1 visit to Pendine
Friday 15th March – Own Clothes day – donate items for Easter Bingo Hamper
Friday 15th March – Football Team to attend a tournament
Tuesday 19th March – Year 3 and 4 Production 1.30pm
Wednesday 20th March - Year 3 and 4 Production 9.30am
Wednesday 20th March – Easter Bingo
Thursday 21st March – Year 4 visit to Explore
Thursday 21st March – School closes for Easter (children are in school)
Friday 22nd March – Teacher Training Day (school closed to children)

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