

NEWSLETTER 1ST MARCH 2024



Dydd Gwyl Dewi Hapus



Wrexham AFC vibes on Saint David's Day



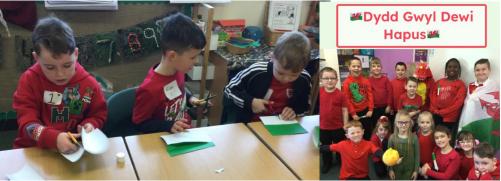




Diolch yn fawr iawn to all the staff who provided a range of Cymraeg activities on Dydd Gwyl Dewi. All the pupils were put into 7 different age groups and experienced a carousel of activities e.g. folk dancing, singing, craft and art. Great fun was had by all!







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The Healthy Schools team visited us on Monday. They led workshops in every class ranging from Superhero Circuits, Eating well, a sugar game and well being.

In **Year 3** Steph and Robin talked to us about healthy eating and portion sizes. We looked at The Eat-Well Guide and which foods and drinks belonged in which category. We then went on to play the sugar game. In groups, we had 10, 'sugar cubes' and we had to guess how many cubes/teaspoons of sugar were in different foods and drinks.

We were shocked by how much sugar is in some foods and drinks!

Year 3 said: "On Monday, Steph and Robin came in. We sorted out the foods and we put them in each and every order. We moved on and played a game. Steph asked us, "How many sugars does skittles have?" We were shocked at how many it was!"- Lina

"It was fun. At the end we played a fun game. I was with Noah, Theo, Roman and Connor. We got points if we got the sugar cubes right for the drinks or sweets," - Ethan

"It was fun. Steph and Robin came in. I had to put the carrot in the vegetables part. We played a game at the end,"- Louie

"It was very fun and I had to put the strawberry pack in the fruit and vegetable part," - Theo

Year 2 said:

Whitney- Banana, grapes, water and pineapple are healthy for you.

Gregory- Drink water and milk. Eat peas and potatoes.

Millie- You should have fruit for snack. Juice is bad for your teeth. You should drink water.

Mia- You should eat peas, bananas, apples, carrots, broccoli and drink water.

Analee- Bananas, milk, water, cheese and pasta are healthy for you.

Nate- We should eat all healthy things like apples, strawberries and grapes.

Frances- Drink water and milk. Eat carrots and broccoli.

Lily- Drink lots of water and milk to get strong.

Ted- I learnt to not drink unhealthy drinks and people should eat healthy things like apples and bananas and other fruits. You should always drink water and milk.

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Year 2 have been so busy this week putting into practice what they have learnt. They have used their story mapping, vocabulary work, acting and punctuation skills to write their own version of "The Owl Who Was Afraid Of The Dark."

They have also made their own nests, making sure they are cosy to keep their egg warm. Mrs Hitchen is so proud of you!

Gregory- We made a plan what we needed and a plan of what it would look like.

Nate- We put real eggs in it to see if it would hold them.

Lucy- We had to go out and get bendy sticks as our first try didn't work.

Raven- We used moss and sticks and lots of different stuff.

Whitney- I used sticks and flowers and grass and leaves.

Hayley- I collected grass to keep the nest soft.

Analee- I put hay in my nest and grass in my nest. I put decorations on it.







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Year 4 this week have been designing and making their own space rockets. The best bit was flying them from the Nursery balcony to the yard.

We had lift off!!!!



Congratulations to all the Year 6 who passed their Level 1 cycling. Many then progressed to Level 2, which was going out on to the road.

Those who passed Level 2 are more than welcome to ride their bikes to school, wearing a helmet. When you're on school grounds, please get off and push your bike so we can reduce the risk of any accidents. Please bring your bikes to the underground store so we can put them away safe during the school day.



Thank you to everyone who attended a very successful Parents Evening. Thank you to all the staff who had fully prepared for the conversations, I hope you found the discussion and interim report informative. I will be posting a Form to gain your valued feedback next week. Please complete it so we can continue to improve.



Lateness

We are increasingly noticing that pupils are arriving for school late on a daily basis. All pupils need to be in class by 9am. The doors are closed at 9am. The statistics below show how much school a child misses even being 5 minutes per day for the school year.

Alongside our attendance officer, we regularly monitor attendance and also punctuality. If your child is regularly late a 'late letter' will be sent home. If the lateness persists, further letters will be sent home to remind parents of the importance of being on time for school, and

failing that, a referral will be made to the Education Social Worker.

We are asking for the support of all parents in improving attendance levels as we believe this is one of the main ways in which our children will be happy at school and achieve their full potential.

Minutes late per day	Number of days lost in teaching per school year
5 minutes each day	3.4 days of schooling lost
10 minutes each day	6.9 days of schooling lost
15 minutes each day	10.3 days of schooling lost
20 minutes each day	13.8 days of schooling lost
25 minutes each day	20.7 days of schooling lost

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Reminder that the photographer is in school on **Monday for Whole Class Photos**. Please come to school in school uniform, looking smart for the camera!

Year 6 have Forest School, please bring your Forest School clothes in a separate bag to change into after you've had your photo taken.



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

Monday 4th March – Class Photographs Wednesday 6th – Friday 8th March – Year 6 residentail to Nant BH Thursday 7th March – World Book Day – dress up as your favourite character 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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World Book Day is 7th March 2024 this year. We invite all pupils to come to school dressed in their favourite character from their favourite book. (Please note this is not compulsory).

We are also holding a competition for the best book character made from a household item i.e a potato, boiled egg, wooden spoon - use your imagination!! Entries need to be brought to school on 7th March for judging.

Prizes will be given to the best creative character from:-

Nursery & Reception

Year 1 & Year 2.

Year 3 & Year 4.

Year 5 & Year 6

We look forward to seeing all your entries.



Good Luck

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