

# NEWSLETTER

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Dear Parents / Annwyl Rieni

Welcome back to the second half of the Autumn term, I hope you all had a nice half term break.

We welcomed the Chief Constable Amanda Blakeman of North Wales Police to Ysgol Pen-y-Bryn this week. The Chief Constable along with members of the local police force presented our Year 5 mini police with their warrant cards and uniforms having successfully interviewed for their roles. With only a few schools in Wales being selected for this initiative I'm looking forward to seeing the work that they will be doing in school and in the community.

With such a tight timeframe for our Christmas shows rehearsals for some year groups have already started this week. Dates of these shows were shared in the previous newsletter however, you can also check dates by viewing or subscribing to the school calendar on our website [here](#). Finally, thank you to those parents who responded to a request for volunteering to sand down two of the large double doors in the hall. Alex's Dad Steve carried out the work in the holiday and they are now ready for Mrs Ward and Mrs Crossley who will be adding their artistic touches!

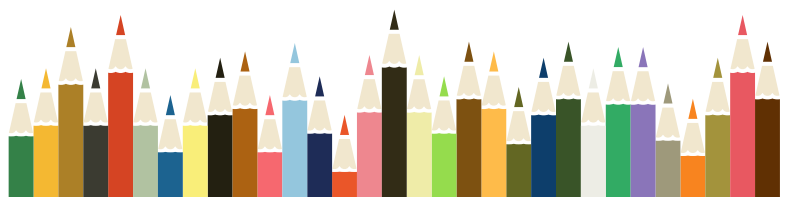
Yours sincerely / Yn gywir,  
Mr Richard Monteiro



## *Classroom Call*

In 2LC, we have been looking at ways to develop a 'growth mindset.' The children are encouraged to have a 'can do' attitude and 'believe in themselves.' The learning power characters like 'Have a Go Hippo' and 'Don't Give Up Dolphin' have been reintroduced and we have looked closely at the idea of 'The Learning pit,' which is how we work through challenges when we feel a bit 'stuck.'

We have also created our own 'Mistake Monsters' to remind us that we can learn from the Marvellous Mistakes we have made. Since returning from the half-term break we have been holding discussions about Remembrance Day, learning about the importance of the day, and how we remember all those who served our country in the past and those who still do today. Our



## Other News

### Children In Need

We will be having a Pyjama day on Friday 17<sup>th</sup> November to raise money for Children in Need. Your child can wear their pyjamas to school on this day and we kindly ask for a voluntary contribution of £1.

### Anti Bullying Week

Next week is anti bullying week! Classes will discuss this in different ways during the week. Children are welcome to wear odd socks on Monday to celebrate the differences which make us all unique.

### Ukraine Charity event

Please see attached letter regarding information on a charity event for the children in Ukraine.

### Raise Money With Your Christmas Shopping! Message from Friends of Pen-y-Bryn

Dear all,  
Please find the attached details on how you can raise money with your Christmas shopping with this - all with one simple link! <https://shorturl.at/ilnK6>  
Thank you in advance - and happy shopping!  
Friends of Pen-y-Bryn

### Royal British Legion Poppy Appeal

A big thank you to everybody that has contributed to the Poppy Appeal this week.

collective worship sessions in class have led to talks about the meaning of peace and how we can create it in our own lives. We have created our own poppies in collage form and displayed them in class. In maths we have been comparing numbers using the greater, less than and equal symbols showing super understanding of how to use them, knowing that the crocodile always chomps the largest number no matter where it is in the maths story has helped us with this concept. Our Christmas production songs and scenes are well under development and it has been incredible to see the confidence and enthusiasm of everybody in our rehearsals. With not long to go until we perform in front of an audience, we are looking forward to being able to share our production with everyone.



### Attendance for last week

Attendance (1 day = 20% ½ day = 10%)

	100%	90%	80%	70% or less
Number of pupils	352	16	36	41

We are aiming for all our pupils to achieve an average of **97%** attendance a year (6 days absence).

Dates for your diary	15 <sup>th</sup> Nov	17 <sup>th</sup> Nov	1 <sup>st</sup> Dec	1 <sup>st</sup> Dec
	Year 6 Danger point	Children In Need	10.00am RCW Wriggly Nativity	Christmas Fair