

NEWSLETTER

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Dear Parents / Annwyl Rieni

I hope you had an enjoyable Christmas and that you are off to a great start to 2025 despite the chaotic week with the weather! It has been nice to welcome all of the pupils back to school as the classes launch into their new topics and themes.

Our new school website has also been launched this week which you can visit [here](#). The website is a useful way to keep up to date with school events via the calendar, which is updated regularly, download newsletters and forms, see the school dinner menu and access Scopay. As well as this the website includes links to the school's and Friends' social media channels.

Attached to this week's newsletter is a flyer for our Open Day on Saturday 18th January. The school will be open from 10am till 12pm for prospective parents / families to come and see our Pre Nursery, Nursery and Infant provisions and to meet some of the staff and Governors. The Friends of the School will also be organising some refreshments and craft activities in the hall. Please share the flyer and help spread the word!

Regarding the Friends of the School they will be holding their first meeting of 2025 on Monday (13th) at the Pen-y-Bryn pub at 7pm. If you would like to come along to see how you could support future school events you would be more than welcome.

I hope you have a nice weekend.

Yours sincerely / Yn gywir,
Mr Richard Monteiro
Headteacher



Classroom Call - 3BF

It was fantastic to see all of the children after the holiday, with them continuing to be just as focussed and engaged in their learning from the off!

We started the week by creating our inner and outer selves. The children drew a self-portrait on half of their page, and on the other they drew things which make up their inner self: their likes, interests, hobbies but with a focus on what they have achieved and learnt. They then wrote around their creations, things they want to achieve in the future. They thought about shorter term goals that they could achieve in Year 3, to targets they've set themselves outside school and then to their future selves - what things did they want to achieve in their lifetime?



Other News

Parking

We have been made aware that highway officers will be making observations regarding traffic conditions around the school. Please consider the school's neighbours when parking, blocking driveways as seen below is considered a civil offence.



Friends of the school meeting

Monday 13th January 7pm at the Pen y Bryn Pub.

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Please see attached.

MWS Sports

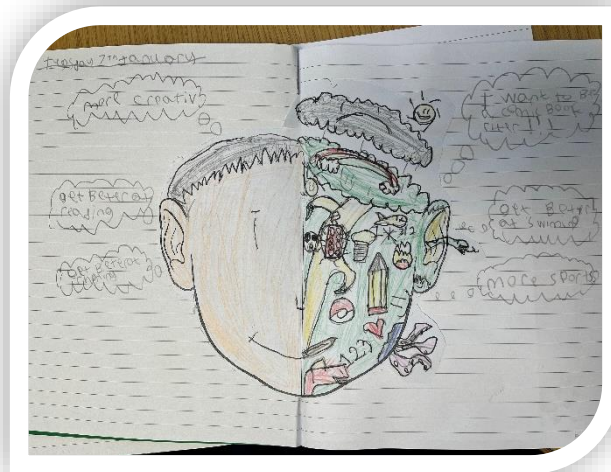
Please see attached flyers.

Condolences

Thoughts of many of the staff this week have been with the family of ex Pen-y-Bryn pupil James Lee Williams, known as The Vivienne who sadly passed away last weekend.

We had great suggestions, from reading more and learning a times table, to winning a trophy in football, to visiting countries and career goals. It was lovely to start the term off with a positive look to the future.

This week we also began our new topic - 'Incredible Inventions'. The children were first tasked with creating a timeline of inventions. They were given 12 inventions and 12 dates, which they had to match up and order from oldest to most recent. It was great to hear the reasoning behind why they thought certain inventions were created before others, and they worked in teams brilliantly to complete their timeline. We then went through the correct order to much debate; they were stunned, for example, to discover that the internet had not always been a thing! We are looking forward now to discovering more about the inventions of the world and finding out about those people who have made great discoveries! Diolch pawb, and here's to a great Spring Term in 3BF!



Attendance for last week

Attendance (1 day = 20% ½ day = 10%)

	100%	90%	80%	70% or less
Number of pupils	349	9	38	31

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

Dates for your diary	13 th Jan 7pm Friends meeting PYB	16 th Jan Year 6 Swimming Gala	18 th Jan 10am - 12pm Open Day	3 rd Feb Children's Mental Health Week
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