

NEWSLETTER

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Dear Parents / Annwyl Rieni

I hope this week's newsletter finds you well. My thanks to all those who turned up last Saturday to help with the tidy up of the school grounds, as you can imagine it is a big job and your help was very much appreciated. The work continues tomorrow with the school being open from 9am - 3pm, please call by at any time if you're free.

I was very impressed both this week and last week with the infant and junior Eisteddfods that took place. The pupils showed lots of confidence giving their performances and it was great to see the enthusiasm and energy they had for the Welsh language and the work that had gone into learning their pieces. Congratulations to those Year 5&6 pupils who will be representing Pen-y-Bryn at the cluster Eisteddfod next month.

Our Governing Body also met this week. The various committees shared the work they have been doing in school as well as reviewing the delegated school budget from Conwy. Whilst like all schools the lack of funding continues to be an issue it has been reassuring to see our pupil roll benefit from rising numbers through our pre nursery and by new children transferring to the school. The Governing Body is still in need of a clerk to minute meetings. This is a paid position and myself or the office would be happy to provide more information on request.

I hope you have a nice weekend.

Yours sincerely / Yn gywir,
Mr Richard Monteiro
Headteacher



Classroom Call - Nursery Plus

We have had a lovely week in Nursery Plus making the most of the lovely weather outside. We went for a walk up to the junior playground and in the outdoor classroom. On the way the children noticed their shadows on the ground, we had a nice time making shapes with our shadows and waving at our shadows. The children voted for which craft activity they want to make for Mother's Day ready for next Sunday. The children have voted to make flowers with their handprints, it has been getting a bit messy but lots of fun mixing the colours.



Football

The school football team played matches against Ysgolion Llanddulas, Glan Morfa and Cynfran in the latest Turn Up and Play event at Ysgol Bryn Elian. The team represented the school with pride, da iawn awb



Red Nose Day

The children have enjoyed wearing their own clothes supporting Red Nose Day! Thank you for all the kind donations which raised a total of **£314.86**

Choking

A message from our lunchtime staff - please can we remind all parents if you send grapes in to school for your child please make sure you cut them in half.

Punctuality

We are experiencing an increase in number of late arrivals in a morning. Please can we remind everyone of the importance of arriving to school on time each day. Junior morning register is called at 8.45am and Infant morning register is called at 8.55am.

Easter Discos

Please see the attached flyer for The Friends Easter Discos on Wednesday 9th April at 3.30pm & 5pm.

Pre Nursery

We have had a fun filled week in Pre-Nursery. As the weather has been lovely and the sun has made an appearance, we took the opportunity to explore our outdoor areas. We have revisited one of our favourite stories while exploring and did our own version of a bear hunt (the bear cave was the play house that has just been relocated to a new area). It was lovely to explore as the Friends of the School have been very busy clearing the gardens. While outside we stopped to see if we could find any minibeasts in the cleared flower beds, we were lucky enough to spot some ants, bees, slugs and snails. As it is officially the start of spring the children are looking to spending more time outside doing some gardening and planting our own flowers and vegetables. We also had the opportunity to practise some of our gross motor skills, by moving outside in different ways (walking, running and rolling) on flat ground and down a hill. The children really enjoyed choosing their own way to move and express themselves in the fresh air.

We currently have spaces available for children aged 2 and 3 from September 2025, if you would like any further information please contact the school office.



Attendance for last week

Attendance (1 day = 20% ½ day = 10%)

	100%	90%	80%	70% or less
Number of pupils	373	11	27	23

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

Dates for your diary	27 th March Year 5 Swimming Gala	28 th March Year 3 Swimming	4 th April Year 3 Swimming	9 th April Friends Easter Disco
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