

NEWSLETTER

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Dear Parents / Annwyl Rieni

I hope this week's newsletter finds you well.

Please find below information regarding a Parent Governor vacancy we have on our Governing Body from September 2026. The Governing Body provides an essential level of both support and accountability to schools and it is important for us to keep all governor positions filled.

We had a busy week this week with lots of visitors in during our careers week. Thank you to everyone who was able to come and speak with the children about the world of work, the pupils learnt about a wide variety of jobs from footballer to Health & Safety Consultant! Thank you to Miss McTague for organising the event. Also this week Mrs Edwards invited a few local schools to Pen-y-Bryn to take part in a netball tournament. There was a great atmosphere and lots of encouragement from the sidelines. The PyB netball players competed very well despite some definite height disadvantages against some of the other players! I hope you have a relaxing weekend.

Yours sincerely / Yn gywir,
 Mr Richard Monteiro
 Headteacher



Classroom Call - RER

This week RER have been busy learning about money. We explored 1p, 2p, 5p and 10p coins, creating coin rubbings and talking about their values. We discussed the different colours and sizes of the coins and compared them carefully.

The children then used a collection of coins in their purses to buy a range of items in our class shop, including a 1p sand toy, a 2p spade and a 5p boat. We talked about the different ways we could use our coins to make each value and practised the language we would use in a real shop. Next week, we are looking forward to buying and selling ice creams in our class ice cream shop and having a go at this independently without adult help!

In our phonics sessions, we have been working really independently to sound out a range of green words by using pegs to find the correct letters. During our RWI sessions, we have also been reading



Ellen's Wishes

Past pupil Alex came to the school on Tuesday to collect the cheque for the money raised for Ellen's Wishes.



Parent Governor Vacancy

Please read the information below regarding the role of a School Governor. If you would be willing to support the school by joining the Governing Body please complete the nomination paper and return to school by the deadline of Friday 5th June. Nomination papers can be printed and handed in at the office or emailed to swyddfa@penybryn.conwy.sch.uk

Class Photos

Next Wednesday Tempest will be taking class photos from Nursery through to Year 6. Please make sure that your child is in the correct school uniform. If the sun is out the photos will be taken outdoors, if not we will be using the school hall.

simple sentences by sounding out words and recognising some common words on sight. We were really impressed with the class writing of the ditties and word time words this week. On our creative table, we have been using cotton buds and poster paints to make colourful sea-life creatures, including seahorses and jellyfish. These are going to be added to the stencil fish we drew last week to create a fantastic under the sea display in our practical area. Each painting was different and the children made their own choices about the colours and design they would use. The children have been working really hard and are thoroughly enjoying our 'Let's Set Sail' topic! They can tell me about a range of sea animals and are enjoying looking after the class sea creatures that arrived a few weeks ago in our Pirate treasure box. Keep working hard RER!



Attendance for last week (Yr 1 - Yr 6)

Attendance (1 day = 20% ½ day = 10%)				
	100%	90%	80%	70% or less
Number of pupils	300	0	0	7

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

<p>Dates for your diary</p>	<p>20th May Class Photos</p>	<p>22nd May Close for Half Term</p>	<p>1st June School Open</p>	<p>4th June Crazy Hair Day</p>
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The Role of a Governor

Governing bodies are accountable for the strategic direction of their school and for the quality of education provided.

All governing bodies have a core group of governors, consisting of:

- Parent governors
- Teacher governors
- Staff governors
- Local Authority governors
- Community Governors
- Partnership Governors

Our Governing body consists of the following committees:

- Staffing
- Health & Safety
- Curriculum & Admissions
- Finance
- Wellbeing
- Staff disciplinary / dismissal
- Pupil discipline and exclusions
- Complaints & Grievances
- Additional learning needs
- Attendance
- Safeguarding

Core Responsibilities of the Governing Body:

- Promoting high standards of educational achievement and behaviour.
- Setting targets for pupil achievement.
- Ensuring that all learners have access to a broad and balanced curriculum.
- Determining the aims, policies and priorities of the school.
- Determining and monitoring the school's budget.
- Staffing – e.g. staff appointments, performance management.
- Providing parents with information regarding the school.
- Producing an action plan and monitoring progress following an inspection by Estyn.
- The wellbeing and safeguarding of learners.

A Governor will fulfil their duties by:

- Attending meetings (usually one every half term).
- Visiting the school.
- Being linked to an area of the school's work as a subcommittee member.
- Participating in decisions of the governing body.
- Working within an agreed code of conduct (refer to Principles of Conduct for Governors of Schools in Wales).
- Maintaining confidentiality when required.
- Undertaking training and development.
- Being aware of the latest initiatives and developments in education.



**GOVERNING BODY OF
YSGOL PEN-Y-BRYN**

ELECTION OF PARENT GOVERNOR

NOMINATION PAPER

NAME OF NOMINEE _____

as a parent governor of Governing Body of Ysgol Pen-y-Bryn.

Signature: _____

Address: _____

Parent of: _____ in form/class _____

SECONDER'S SIGNATURE _____

Address: _____

Parent of: _____ in form/class _____

Nominations shall be made on this designated form which shall be returned to the school on or before the stipulated date. Nominations received after that date shall be invalid. Nominees must state their consent to stand for election on the appropriate form, and must be proposed by a parent who are themselves eligible to vote in an election at the school. If there is more than one nominee, we will hold an election.

To be returned to the Head Teacher Mr Richard Monteiro by Midday Friday 5th June 2026.



May half term 2026

PLAYING OUT

Wear clothes that can get mucky!



Free to attend & No need to pre book.

Scan QR code for all timetables

Day	10:00am -11.30am	1:30pm -3:00pm	3:30pm -5:00pm
Tuesday 26th May	Pen Y Dre Park, Llanrwst, LL26 0BG	Tan Lan Road, Old Colwyn, LL29 9BB	
Wednesday 27th May	Bryn Cadno, Colwyn Heights, LL29 6DW	Eirias Park, Colwyn Bay, LL29 8HF	Plas Mawr Parc, Penmaenmawr, LL34 6JA
Thursday 28th May	Owain Glyndwr, Llys Claerwen, LL18 5FX	Min Y Don, Old Colwyn, LL29 9SF	
Friday 29th May	Church Road, Rhos on Sea, LL28 4DJ	Promenade Llanfairfechan, LL33 0DA	Trinity Avenue, Llandudno, LL30 2TQ



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