

NEWSLETTER

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Dear Parents / Annwyl Rieni

Christmas is in full swing at Ysgol Pen-y-Bryn!
We have had some great Christmas shows this week from our youngest children at the school. I have been very impressed with the enthusiasm on stage and there are certainly some budding young actors working their way up through the school to look out for!

As we go to print preparations are underway for the Christmas Fayre. As always when we hold large events such as this congestion around the school can become a problem, could I ask that you please consider parking a bit further out and walking to the school later to help ease this.

With lots still happening in the final two weeks of school before the Christmas break don't forget to check the calendar on the school website for a quick overview.

I hope you have a nice weekend.

Yours sincerely / Yn gywir,
Mr Richard Monteiro
Headteacher



Classroom Call - 4HN

This term our topic in year 4 is 'Our Incredible Oceans'. Over the past term 4HN have been looking at a variety of aspects linking to the different oceans. The children have identified the different oceans and seas of the world, whilst discovering our nearest sea. They have conducted research tasks in which they identified different marine life and their habitats. They found it interesting to discover that 'Risso' dolphins have been spotted in the Irish sea and used this information to compare other dolphins that are found further afield. They have also discovered that there are many layers to the ocean, learning the different names of each layer, the depth and the type of sea creatures that live there.



Other News

Toys for the Christmas Toy Bank

Please see attached letter.

Criw Cymraeg

Please see attached letter.

e-Safety

For unknown reasons last week's guide to WhatsApp didn't work. Please find the link [here](#)

After School Clubs updates

Netballs last session –
Tuesday 10th December.
Urdd Dance last session –
Thursday 12th December
Football has now finished
Dates to follow for all clubs.

Menu change

Please note that on Thursday 19th December (Christmas Dinner Day) the following menu will be provided:

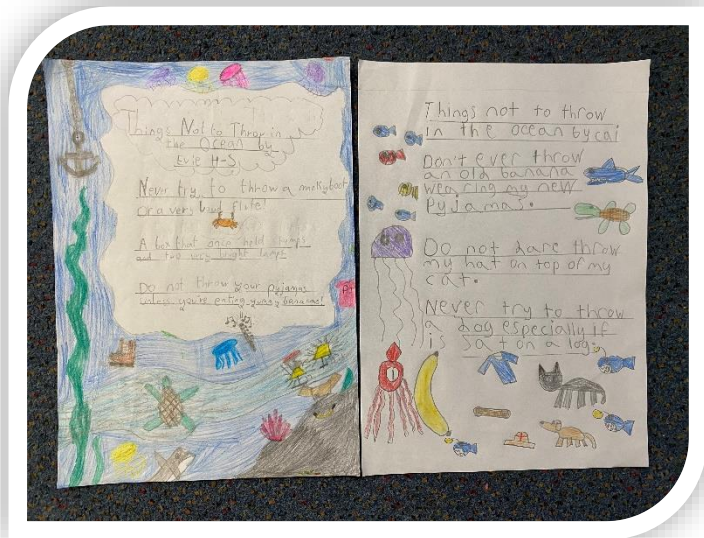
Turkey, roast potato, mash potato, carrots, sprouts, Yorkshire pudding, chipolata sausage, stuffing, cranberry sauce, juice and festive puddings.

Vegetarian option will be Cauliflower cheese bake and not Macaroni Cheese. Please discuss with your child.

Headlice

Please can we ask that you check your child's hair regularly and thoroughly and that cases of headlice are dealt with promptly.

We have also been focusing on 'poetry' this term. We used the poem 'Things Not To Throw in The Ocean' by Roger Stevens as an example of rhyming poetry. It linked to our topic, as part of our child led planning the children wanted to identify the effect that rubbish is having on our oceans and marine life. The children learnt the poem and added their own actions. They then began planning their own rhyming poem. They enjoyed using rhyming dictionaries to find items that they could put in their poem that shouldn't be thrown in the ocean. They wrote their first draft, provided peer and self-feedback and finally responded to the feedback given to redraft their final version. They recorded their poem which they uploaded to Seesaw. We have gathered all the poems and have created our own class book. 4HN have had a fantastic term and produced some great work. Da iawn pawb!



Attendance for last week

Attendance (1 day = 20% ½ day = 10%)

	100%	90%	80%	70% or less
Number of pupils	353	9	46	23

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

Dates for your diary	9 th Dec Years 3 & 4 6pm Ysgol Eirias	10 th & 11 th Dec Year 2 Christmas Performance	11 th Dec KS2 Panto Mother Goose	12 th Dec FP Panto Jack & The Beanstalk
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