

# NEWSLETTER

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Dear Parents / Annwyl Rieni

As we break for the half term holiday the weather forecast is looking a bit grim but I hope that you are able to get out and about regardless.

Not only was today Mrs Hughes' last day with us as she starts her maternity leave but also Mrs Mercer's last day after 34 years of working at Ysgol Pen-y-Bryn. The children and staff have all been wishing Mrs Mercer well and we're all hoping that she will pop in to visit us from time to time.

As you'll be aware we have been softly rolling out our attendance policy during this half term, it has been encouraging to see that our whole school attendance during this half term rose by one percent to 93% which is a positive step, thank you once again for your support.

Attached to this week's newsletter is a letter from the chair of the Friends of Ysgol Pen-y-Bryn. Not only does the school benefit significantly from the funds raised by the events organised by the Friends but these events are enjoyed so much by our pupils and are only possible due to the time given by volunteers. Please read the letter to see how you can add your support.

I hope you all have an enjoyable half term break and we will look forward to welcoming the children back to school on Tuesday 4th June.

Yours sincerely / Yn gywir,  
Mr Richard Monteiro  
Headteacher



## *Classroom Call - Pre Nursery*

This week in Pre Nursery the children have been learning about different textures and materials and have been making their own mosaic pictures.

They have also been modelling with Play-Doh to make different shapes, letters and numbers. As well as learning about Welsh colours and numbers and listening to Welsh nursery rhymes.



## Other News

**Congratulations** to Charlie Sheen in 6GE who last week was crowned the 2024 38.5 kg Boxing Champion after



taking part in the Welsh Boxing Championship in Cardiff. Charlie boxes for Dyffryn ABC in Colwyn Bay and is looking forward to competing in the tri nations tournament when he turns 12.

**Uniform Hwb** will next be held on the 11<sup>th</sup> June at 3.15pm.

## Tempest Photography

The closing date for **free delivery** back to school is **Sunday 2<sup>nd</sup> June 2024**. Order through the Tempest website using your unique link or visit [here](#)

## Friends of Pen-y-Bryn

What a busy week! On Saturday, we welcomed nursery children at Bryn Cadno for a sponsored bouncy castle (a huge thank you to Jade at Tots and Toddlers for their support!) In addition, we held two film nights this week. Both were very well attended and the children really enjoyed both films. Over these events, we've raised £640, which will go towards upgrading parts of the outside area.

## Summer Fair

This year's summer fair will take place on Friday 5<sup>th</sup> July and we'll once again be holding a raffle. We've had some wonderful donations so far, but if you'd like to donate a prize please message Lizzie on Hill164@hwbcymru.net or get in touch with the office.

In addition, if you're interested in having a stall at this year's fair, please do get in touch.

In the outdoor areas the children have been playing in the sand and water and constructing towers with the blocks and playing with the big trucks.

Mrs Walleth and Mrs Parkes have been very impressed with how well our youngest children at the school have settled in and the progress they are making.



## Attendance for last week

Attendance (1 day = 20% ½ day = 10%)

	100%	90%	80%	70% or less
Number of pupils	361	8	38	44

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

Dates for  
your  
diary

24<sup>th</sup> May  
School  
Closes

3<sup>rd</sup> June  
School  
Closed  
Inset Day

4<sup>th</sup> June  
School  
Opens

6<sup>th</sup> June  
Year 5  
Swimming  
Gala