

**Ysgol y Llan**  
**Friday 24<sup>th</sup> May –**  
**Dydd Gwener, Mai 24ain 2024**

*Growing & Learning Together Through Faith, Friends and Fun*  
*Tyfu a Dysgu Gyda'n Gilydd trwy Ffydd, Ffrindiau a Hwyl*

## Newyddion Ysgol



### Happy Half Term!

This has once again been an extremely busy, eventful and joyful term!

The children and staff have all worked so hard during the term and I truly wish that everyone has a relaxing half term.

We have had a rigorous headteacher appointment process take place towards the end of the term, which all children and staff were involved in. As you are now aware, Mr. Tomos Williams was the successful candidate and will take up his post in September. Staff and children will meet Mr. Williams again next term as he visits the school and myself for a handover.

So, a huge thanks from me, to our entire school team, including our governors, for all of their efforts, their continued support, and for simply being wonderful. 😊

Children return to school on Tuesday 4<sup>th</sup> June for our final half term of the year.

Take care and have a lovely half term.



### Attendance

It is vitally important that children miss as little school as possible if we are going to help them reach their full potential. Our attendance has dropped slightly since last month so let's try to bring this back up again next half term. Our EWO will be visiting again next term to monitor progress towards our target.



Last month's whole school attendance	Current whole school attendance	Class 1 %	Class 2 %	Class 3 %	Class 4 %
94	93.2	93.9	92.8	95.3	90.6

### Sports Day

We hope that you can join us on Thursday 6<sup>th</sup> June for our school sports day.

This year, we will be combining the KS2 & FP sports days once again due to the small numbers. This will take place during the afternoon session.

Children will have an early lunch on the day and the side gates by the car park will be open from 12.30pm for you to arrive. Children will come out for a 1.00pm start

The Friends of the school (PTA) will be selling refreshments prior to the races starting.



### Reminder

FSM entitlement - if you may be eligible for free school meals, PLEASE consider applying so that you & the school benefit.

<http://www.flintshire.gov.uk/en/Resident/Schools/Education-Benefits.aspx>

# Our new activity centre!



## Time to get active!

Our activity centre, which was voted for and chosen by the children, was finally completed on Wednesday 22<sup>nd</sup> May.

The weather has been shockingly wet this week but the children finally managed to take their first steps on it today ... and they loved it!

Now that it's in place, they will have the rest of the summer to enjoy it. 😊



"Failure is an opportunity to grow"

## GROWTH MINDSET

"I can learn to do anything I want"

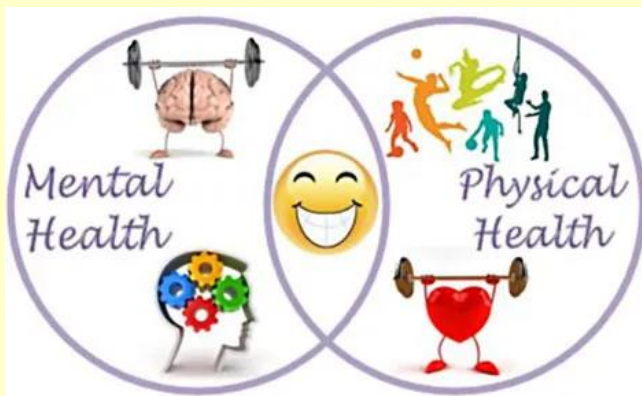
"Challenges help me to grow"

"My effort and attitude determine my abilities"

"Feedback is constructive"

"I am inspired by the success of others"

"I like to try new things"





## Can you support us?

### Trash to Treasure

Before you throw away your unwanted items, please consider donating them to Ysgol y Llan.



Pots and seed trays

Any unused school reading folders



We want to fire the children's imagination and curiosity...



Authentic Role Play:

Costume jewellery

Scarves/shawls

Hats/caps

Handbags/brief cases/old suitcases

Waist coats/bow ties

Woodwork Area:  
Plastic bottle tops  
Corks

Wooden bobbins  
Hinges  
Wooden offcuts  
CDs

Wilting flowers and herbs for our Mud Kitchens



Large-scale Loose Parts:  
Pipes / guttering  
Plastic or cardboard tubes  
Cable reels  
Crates  
Wooden planks, Logs  
Tarpaulin

Thank you from the staff and children of Ysgol y Llan.

## Curious Travellers Animation

Class 4 continue to work on the Curious Travellers project with Sean.

Sean has been coming into class once a week to develop the children's art skills and knowledge of the work that Thomas Pennant did.

This week, children tested their patience and attention to detail, as they worked on animation.



## Transition & Moving Up Day

We will be holding our 'moving up day' on Friday 28<sup>th</sup> June. All children will be moving up to their September classrooms. More information about September classes will be coming out next term.

There will be a Reception and Nursery induction evening on Thursday 20<sup>th</sup> June immediately after school. More information will follow about the arrangements for this evening.

Year 6 pupils' transition days have been shared with parents directly via the High Schools.



## Reminders/Requests

- Check PE kits (size etc.) & return to school.
- **HEALTHY** fruit and vegetables for snack only.
- All children have access to their refillable clear bottles for water throughout the day.
- Please **REMEMBER** to book onto After School Club (Clwb Ddraig) & Breakfast Club in **ADVANCE**.
- Please ensure all payments are up to date. These should be made in advance including school meals, breakfast club and after school club via the SchoolComms online payment system.
- Children may continue to wear school coloured joggers and hoodies on PE days. **NO** other football kits or tracksuits are allowed.



## Church News & Christian Values

### St Mary's and St Bueno's Church

◦ The Church service is every first Sunday of the month. Everyone is welcome!

### School

◦ Our Christian Value next half term is 'Truthfulness'. Children will be exploring this value during class collective worship and daily school life.

### The Diocese of St. Asaph

◦ Please follow the link to Bishop Gregory's Pastoral letters.

<https://dioceseofstasaph.org.uk/bishopgregory/bishops-guidance-and-pastoral-support/>



## HOME-SCHOOL CHALLENGE

### Truth be Told

If you could ask a famous person (from history or alive today) to answer a question about themselves what would it be?

For example,

David Beckham - How old were you when you knew for sure that you wanted to be a footballer?

Aung San Suu Kyi - Was there ever a time when you felt like giving up your campaign in Burma?

Make a colourful question mark and write your question on it to take into school to display in the Gallery.

## Upcoming Events

### \*\* Changed dates \*\*

### INSET (Staff training) day

Monday 3<sup>rd</sup> June

### Sports Day (Nur – Yr 6, afternoon)

Thursday 6<sup>th</sup> June, 1.00pm onwards

### Schools Photographs –

### Classes/Groups/Year 6 Leavers

Friday 7<sup>th</sup> June

### Healthy Schools Week

Week beginning Monday 10<sup>th</sup> June

### Assessment Week

Week beginning Monday 10<sup>th</sup> June

### EWO in to monitor attendance

Tuesday 11<sup>th</sup> June

### St. Johns First Aid training (Yrs 3-6)

Friday 14<sup>th</sup> June

### Refugee Week – Our Home

Week beginning Monday 17<sup>th</sup> June

### Jambori (Years 1 & 2)

Wednesday 19<sup>th</sup> June

### Harp workshop – Whole school

Thursday 20<sup>th</sup> June

### Induction Evening (new Nur & Rec)

Thursday 20<sup>th</sup> June

### Transition Week (Ysgol Treffynnon)

Week beginning Monday 24<sup>th</sup> June

### School Trip (You've Got Dragons)

Tuesday 25<sup>th</sup> June

### Full Governing Body Meeting

Wednesday 26<sup>th</sup> June

### Spelling Quiz (Yr 2 & 4)

Thursday 27<sup>th</sup> June

### Moving Up Day (Transition)

Friday 28<sup>th</sup> June

### Parliament General Elections

Thursday 4<sup>th</sup> July

### School Summer Fair

Wednesday 10<sup>th</sup> July

### Year 6 Leavers Service

Tuesday 16<sup>th</sup> July

### Last day of term

Friday 19<sup>th</sup> July

## Contact or Follow us!

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*Thank you for your continued support! Diolch yn fawr iawn!*  
*Mr. Griffiths*