



## NEWSLETTER

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### Attendance figures for week beginning 9<sup>th</sup> to 13<sup>th</sup> October.

Class	Teacher	% Attend
NT2	Mrs Trahar	97.2
TM	Mrs Muir	94
RC	Mrs Cronin	96.3
1T	Mrs Thomas	95.2
RH	Mrs Hughes	92
1GD	Mrs Gilbert/Mrs Dunford	97.2
2M	Mrs Matthews	87.1
2C	Miss Cavill	100
3M	Miss Miller	94.5
3F	Miss Foster	95.6
4S	Mrs Simmons	95.5
4D	Mrs Dimmock	92.5
5H	Mr Howell	98.3
5SHa	Mrs Harris	88.3
6V	Miss Vanagas	100
6H	Mr Howells	94.2

## School Policies

We would like to remind parents that all our School Policies are on the school website under School Policies and just click the relevant link.

## Show Racism the Red Card & Cancer Research

We are aware that many people were prepared for Wear Pink Day this Friday to support Cancer Research, as it coincides with Show Racism the Red Card Day we have decided to support both charities as they are both admirable. So it's wear pink or red on Friday and bring in a small donation. We'll split the proceeds to 2 valuable causes.

## Key Dates

### October

16<sup>th</sup> - Parents Evenings  
20<sup>th</sup> – Wear red or pink day (see above)  
21<sup>st</sup> Cross Country 9.30am Bryntirion

23<sup>rd</sup> - Parents Evenings

**27<sup>th</sup> - INSET DAY**

**HALF TERM 30<sup>th</sup> October – 3<sup>rd</sup> November**

### November

**6<sup>th</sup> Pupils Back to school**

13<sup>th</sup> - Disco Infant Department

14<sup>th</sup> – Junior Disco

16<sup>th</sup> - Flu Vaccine Spray Rec - Yr 4

23<sup>rd</sup> - Book Fayre

## December

1<sup>st</sup> - Reception - Dress Rehearsal  
4<sup>th</sup> - Reception - Concert Infant Hall 9.30am  
5<sup>th</sup> - Reception - Concert Infant Hall 9.30am  
Nursery - Dress Rehearsal

6<sup>th</sup> - Nursery Concert Infant Hall 9.30am  
Year 1 & 2 Concert Main Hall 2.15pm

7<sup>th</sup> - Nursery Concert Infant Hall 9.30am  
Year 1 & 2 Concert Main Hall 2.15pm  
8<sup>th</sup> - Year 1 & 2 Concert Main Hall 9.30am  
10<sup>th</sup> - RAF Brass Band 6pm  
11<sup>th</sup> - Father Christmas visiting Nursery & Rec  
11<sup>th</sup> - Year 3 & 4 Dress Rehearsal 2.15pm  
12<sup>th</sup> - Father Christmas visiting Year 1 & 2  
1.15pm

12<sup>th</sup> - Year 3 & 4 Concert Main Hall 2.15 &  
6pm

13<sup>th</sup> - Year 5 & 6 Dress Rehearsal

14<sup>th</sup> - Choir to sing at Sainsbury's

14<sup>th</sup> - Year 5 & 6 Concert 2pm & 6pm Main  
Hall

21<sup>st</sup> - Christmas lunch for children

22<sup>nd</sup> - End of Term Awards -

**CHRISTMAS HOLIDAYS  
BACK TO SCHOOL MONDAY 8<sup>TH</sup>  
JANUARY 2018.**

### Pupil's Christmas Lunch



This year's lunch is on Thursday 21<sup>st</sup> December, if your child doesn't normally have lunch but would like to please can you top up their dinner accounts in advance with £2.20. Please can you return the slip being sent out next week so our catering staff can put an order in for the food. Thank you



### STEM Award

The school was successful in being awarded the STEM award due to our contributions to STEM subjects (science, technology,

engineering, mathematics) We are also working towards a Science quality silver award, which we are hoping to achieve by the end of the year.

### X-Country

The school Country season is very much back up and 'RUNNING'. The first Black Path run took place on Friday 13<sup>th</sup> of October with a good turnout of children from years 3-6. The 1<sup>st</sup> competition is less than a week away. The meeting at Bryntirion Comprehensive School will take place this Saturday 21<sup>st</sup> October at 10 am. Suggested arrival time is 9.30. All pupils are welcomed but must be supervised by an adult.

If any of last year's team have a blue vest, could they please bring them on the day.

### Rugby

The school rugby squad has been working hard every Tuesday of this term so far and their efforts were rewarded on Friday 7<sup>th</sup> of October. Both teams, having previously lost to their counterparts, put in much improved displays. The A team won 25-20 with a last second winning try from Man of the Match, Sam Whitefield (Yr 5). Tries were also scored by Ben Evans (2) and Evan Richards (both yr. 6). In the B team some aggressive defence and a stand out try by Cayden Johns-Evans were enough to win the match.

This was some achievement considering the Litchard team included several yr. 4s and some pupils playing their first ever game!



## **Bridgend College international Coding week**

Last Thursday, Year 6 were treated to a surprise visit from two special guests – Peppa and Si. These fantastic robots came in and showed off their talents which included speaking, sitting down and even doing Tai-Chi! Mr Howells was by far the best in his Tai-Chi off against Si! We look forward to working with both robots in the near future.



## **Planting of daffodils**



Last Friday our Seeds & Weeds club along with Mr Howell and our chair of governors went along to Pendre to plant daffodils, ready for blooming next spring. Next week we will be going to a woodland near Pendre to plant some more.



## **Netball**

We had a lovely time at Mynydd Cynfig our first away netball match. Our A team lost 7-1, our B team won 2-1 and our C team lost 11-0. Although it was a mix of results the girls had lots of fun which is the most important thing.

## **Harvest Festival**

This year's harvest festival was another brilliant opportunity for the children catch up with our friends at the Mission Church and celebrate a positive event through performance and song. It also gave the children the opportunity to think about and help those less fortunate than themselves. A big thank you to all the families and friends of the school for your kind food donations. These are being distributed to the local food bank.

