



NEWSLETTER - NEWYDDION
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Illegal Parking & Speeding around our Foundation Phase (Infants) and Key Stage 2 (Junior) sites

Unfortunately, since we have returned to school for the Autumn Term, I have been contacted on a number of occasions by parents and local residents complaining about cars being parked illegally outside the school gates on Commercial Street. Whilst I appreciate that this can be a challenge to parents and grandparents, the **safety of our pupils is of paramount importance** – the yellow zig-zag road markings are there for a reason and should not be ignored or disrespected. It is also very important to us as a school that we maintain good relationships with the local residents and therefore I would ask you not to park in the lanes either side of the main gates as you are blocking their entry/ exit and causing an obstruction. Finally, please take extreme care when reversing into the lanes and near the main school gates. Indeed, this has also been an issue around our Key Stage 2 (Junior) site where vehicles have been travelling without due care and attention, especially at the end of the school day when our pupils are leaving the premises. Once again, it is extremely important that we follow these few simple rules to ensure that all of our pupils are kept safe as they enter and exit the school. I have notified our local PCSOs who will be patrolling the streets around both school sites on regular occasions to monitor this situation. Thank you in anticipation for your support regarding this matter.

Star of the Week / Seren Yr Wythnos

Congratulations to the following pupils who were nominated for impressing the staff & their peers during the past school week in terms of their positive attitude to learning, high standards of work and/ or excellent behaviour:

Reception	Class 01 (Mrs Fryer / Miss Thomas)	Ioan David
Reception	Class 02 (Mrs Cooper)	Finlay Thomas
Year 1	Class 03 (Mrs Charles)	Joseph Cullen
Year 1	Class 04 (Mrs Cole)	James Howells
Year 2	Class 05 (Mrs Crowley)	Taya Jones
Year 2	Class 06 (Mrs Van Rooyen)	Tarian Hart / Rosie Panniers
Year 3	Class 07 (Mrs Power)	Aurora
Year 3	Class 08 (Mr Price)	Oliver Watkins
Year 4	Class 09 (Miss Bevan)	Isabella Apsee
Year 4	Class 10 (Miss Morgan)	Leo Owen
Year 5	Class 11 (Mrs Powis)	Max Williams
Year 5	Class 12 (Mr Pedler)	Indie Tossell
Year 6	Class 13 (Mrs Jones)	Louis Houldcroft
Year 6	Class 14 (Mrs Blight)	Charlie James

Attendance

For the week **Monday 13th September – Friday 17th September**, the percentage attendance for each class was as follows:

Nursery Lindys (Miss Bacchetta) = 94.6%	Nursery Pili Pala (Mrs Anthony) = 87.1%	
Class 01 (Mrs Fryer) = 84.8%	Class 02 (Mrs Cooper) = 77.0%	Class 03 (Mrs Charles) = 91.1%
Class 04 (Mrs Cole) = 92.8%	Class 05 (Mrs Crowley) = 92.9%	Class 06 (Mrs Van Rooyen) = 94.6%
Class 07 (Mrs Power) = 88.8%	Class 08 (Mr Price) = 92.9%	Class 09 (Miss Bevan) = 94.2%
Class 10 (Miss Morgan) = 90.3%	Class 11 (Mrs Powis) = 93.3%	Class 12 (Mr Pedler) = 87.0%
Class 13 (Mrs Jones) = 90.3%	Class 14 (Mrs Blight) = 94.0%	Whole school = 91.8%

For the Autumn Term 2021, our whole school attendance is 93.9%

Foundation Phase School Council for 2021-22

Many congratulations to the following pupils who have been elected on to our **Foundation Phase School Council** for **2021-22** by their fellow classmates:

Class 1	Ryan Stoddart
Class 2	Carter Edwards
Class 3	Joseph Cullen / Darcie Short
Class 4	Luca Perugini / Ella-May Howells
Class 5	Harley Burnell / Emelia McCormick
Class 6	Tarian Hart / Rosie Panniers

Key Stage 2 Wellbeing Council for 2021-22

Many congratulations to the following pupils who have been elected on to our **Key Stage 2 Wellbeing Council** for **2021-22** by their fellow classmates:

Year 3	Isla Davies, Kyan Ansen, Lola Rhys-Jones, Ioan Lamburn
Year 4	Eve Phillips, Fraser Evans, Lilah Davidson, Maddox Perham
Year 5	Rebecca Mitchell, Sam Johnson, Lacie-Rae Powell, Archie Jones
Year 6	Summer Brimble, Caleb Davies, Heidi Carter-Clare, Lloyd Edmunds

Inter-School Sports Matches – Friday 24th September 2021

On **Friday 24th September** we will be playing **netball** and **football** matches **away** at **Litchard Primary School**, starting at approximately **1.00 p.m.** Please would pupils taking part bring **£1** to cover the cost of transport. Unfortunately, due to Covid-19 restrictions, parents, grandparents and friends of the school are unable to attend matches to support our teams. Thank you for your understanding with this.

“First Day of School” Photographs for Nursery & Reception Classes

Parents of children in our **Nursery** and **Reception** classes (Class 1 & Class 2) please note that a photographer will be in school on the morning of **Tuesday 28th September** for “**First Day of School**” group photographs.

School Photographs (Foundation Phase & Key Stage 2 sites) - Monday 18th October 2021

The School Photographer (Tempest) will be visiting the **Foundation Phase (Infants)** site and **Key Stage 2 (Junior)** site on **Monday 18th October 2021**. Parents please note that, due to COVID-19 restrictions, only individual or twin brother/ sister photographs will be taken. Thank you for your understanding regarding this matter.

Cynffig Cluster INSET Day – Monday 1st November 2021

Parents please note that **Monday 1st November** will be a training day for our teachers and support staff. We will be working closely with our colleagues in our neighbouring primary schools of Cefn Cribwr, Pil, Afon-y-Felin and Corneli as well as Cynffig Comprehensive School on developing our approach to the new Curriculum for Wales. Pupils should return to school after the half-term holiday on **Tuesday 2nd November 2021**.

Dates for Your Diary - Autumn Term 2021

Friday 24th September	Year 5 & 6 Netball & Football v. Litchard Primary (away) – 1 p.m. start
Tuesday 28th September	Nursery, Class 1 & Class 2 “First Day of School” photographs (a.m.)
Friday 1st October	Year 5 & 6 Netball & Rugby v. Cefn Cribwr Primary (away)
Friday 8th October	“Funky Friday” for Y Bont – charity day! Year 5 & 6 Netball & Football v. Pencoed Primary (away)
Monday 18th October	School Photographs at the Foundation Phase (Infants) and Key Stage 2 (Juniors) site
HALF TERM: Monday 25th October – Friday 29th October	
Monday 1st November	Cluster INSET Day
Tuesday 2nd November	Pupils should return to school after the half-term holiday – Breakfast Club will be available on both sites
Friday 5th November	Nasal Spray Vaccine at the Foundation Phase (Infants) and Key Stage 2 (Juniors) site
Monday 8th November	Parents’ Evenings Week (until 12/11/21)
Friday 19th November	Children in Need Day
Friday 17th December	Autumn Term ends
Tuesday 4th January 2022	INSET Day
Wednesday 5th January	Pupils return to School for the Spring Term 2022

Parents / Carers please note that we are awaiting guidance from Welsh Government regarding School Assemblies & Concerts – as soon as this is received, we will respond accordingly with dates for you. Thank you for your patience and understanding.

Mr Neil Davies (Headteacher)