



NEWSLETTER - NEWYDDION
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Mrs Rachel Thomas

On **Friday 15th October**, we will be saying goodbye to one of our Learning Support Officers based at our Foundation Phase site, **Mrs Rachel Thomas**, who is taking a career-change to work with young adults/ older learners at Bridgend College after **10 years** of working at our school. Mrs Thomas has been a committed, talented, caring colleague and friend whose contributions on a daily basis will be sadly missed by us all. On behalf of our whole school community, I would like to thank Mrs Thomas for all of her help, support and enthusiasm with our pupils over the past decade and wish her every success in her new post.

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:

Nursery	Lindys (Miss Bacchetta)	Isla Norman
Nursery	Pili Pala (Mrs Anthony)	Jacob Dark
Reception	Class 01 (Mrs Fryer / Miss Thomas)	Gracie-Rose Smith
Reception	Class 02 (Mrs Cooper)	Mia Hearne
Year 1	Class 03 (Mrs Charles)	Aurora Jones
Year 1	Class 04 (Mrs Cole)	Bella Jenkins
Year 2	Class 05 (Mrs Crowley)	Mason Lloyd-Patel
Year 2	Class 06 (Mrs Van Rooyen)	Joseph Klein
Year 3	Class 07 (Mrs Power)	Archie Panniers
Year 3	Class 08 (Mr Price)	Lewis Mason
Year 4	Class 09 (Miss Bevan)	Sophie Hopkins
Year 4	Class 10 (Miss Morgan)	Lilah Davidson
Year 5	Class 11 (Mrs Powis)	Sam Johnson
Year 5	Class 12 (Mr Pedler)	Archie Jones
Year 6	Class 13 (Mrs Jones)	Chloe Shylon
Year 6	Class 14 (Mrs Blight)	Charlotte Woodward

Attendance

For **Monday 4th October – Friday 8th October**, the percentage attendance for each class was as follows:

Nursery Lindys (Miss Bacchetta) = 91.2%	Nursery Pili Pala (Mrs Anthony) = 87.9%	
Class 01 (Mrs Fryer) = 91.9%	Class 02 (Mrs Cooper) = 98.5%	Class 03 (Mrs Charles) = 74.1%
Class 04 (Mrs Cole) = 75.2%	Class 05 (Mrs Crowley) = 91.5%	Class 06 (Mrs Van Rooyen) = 94.0%
Class 07 (Mrs Power) = 91.2%	Class 08 (Mr Price) = 97.5%	Class 09 (Miss Bevan) = 96.8%
Class 10 (Miss Morgan) = 87.6%	Class 11 (Mrs Powis) = 82.1%	Class 12 (Mr Pedler) = 95.3%
Class 13 (Mrs Jones) = 95.2%	Class 14 (Mrs Blight) = 88.7%	Whole school = 89.8%

For the Autumn Term 2021, our whole school attendance is 88.9%

'Diwrnod Shwmae'

This Friday is "**Diwrnod Shwmae**". This is a day in Wales where non-Welsh speakers are encouraged to speak some Welsh. We will be doing lots of Welsh activities in school to celebrate this day. Parents and carers can also join in with Diwrnod Shwmae by saying "Bore da" (Good morning) to your children when they wake up on Friday morning or maybe you could also wave them off to school with a "Hwyl fawr" (Goodbye) as well. Thank you in anticipation for your support.

'Funky Friday'

Thank you all so, so much for your very generous support of our '**Funky Friday**' event for **Y Bont** on **Friday 8th October**. In total, we raised **£446.60** which was really fantastic! Earlier this week, we welcomed **Julia Shaw, Fundraising & Marketing Manager** at **Y Bont**, to our Foundation Phase site where members of our School Council presented her with a cheque. Thank you all so much again for your generosity in supporting such a great cause.

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.

Inter-School Sports Matches

Last Friday, we played **netball** and **football** matches **away** at **Pencoed Primary School**. On the netball court, our 'A' team won by **14 goals to nil**; our 'B' team won **4-2**. On the football pitch, our **Year 6** team lost by **3 goals to nil**; our **Year 5** team won by **3 goals to two**. Many congratulations to all of the boys and girls who represented our school in both sports – once again, your skills, your conduct and your behaviour whilst competing were very pleasing!

On **Friday 15th October** we will be playing **netball** and **football** matches at **home** to **Penybont Primary School**, starting at approximately **1.20 p.m.** Parents, grandparents and friends of the school are **able** to attend these matches to support our teams on this occasion.

Wear Red Day - Friday October 22nd 2021.

Show Racism the Red Card are holding their annual **Wear Red Day** on **Friday 22nd October 2021**. This year is the **25th Anniversary** year and the meaning is as relevant right now as it has ever been. Parents and carers please note that this is not a charity event – we simply want our children to support Show Racism the Red Card and the stand for Anti-racism. So please **wear red to school** on **Friday 22nd October 2021**. Thank you for your support!

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 15th October	Year 5 & 6 Netball & Football v. Penybont Primary (home)
Monday 18th October	School Photographs at the Foundation Phase (Infants) and Key Stage 2 (Juniors) site
Friday 22nd October	Year 5 & 6 Netball & Football v. Pen-y-fai Primary (away)

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 Year 5 & 6 Netball & Rugby v. West Park Primary (venue to be confirmed)
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

Harvest Festival 2021

Mynydd Cynffig Primary School will be gratefully accepting donations of non-perishable, long life and packaged food items for **Harvest** this year, such as:

- Tinned fruits & vegetables
- Tinned foods (meatballs, soups, corned beef, tuna / salmon, rice pudding)
- Cereals / Biscuits / Crackers
- UHT Milk
- Tea / Coffee
- Sugar
- Spreads such as jam, marmalade, Nutella, peanut butter
- Gluten and Lactose Free items

The pandemic has not only uncovered the true scale of poverty but it has also created new challenges for individuals and families across our community. We wish to donate all items received to a local **Food Bank** to support those in need in the coming months. Please could all items be donated by **Thursday 21st October 2021**. Thank you in anticipation for your support!

Mr Neil Davies (Headteacher)