# **Ysgol Cynfran - Newsletter**

## Friday 2<sup>nd</sup> October – Week 5

News from the Headteacher Staff training day Monday 5<sup>th</sup> October School closed for pupils.

We are moving together on our journey of returning to normality, only to be hit with another setback with county restrictions taking effect this week. This is hugely disappointing for us all, as it will affect what we can do, where we can do it, and who we can do it with. We will, as a community, follow this guidance, but it's such a shame that this latest restriction has been brought about by other people and their lack of social responsibility.

Much of the work undertaken by children has been very good this week. Junior aged children have put forward some ideas on how to manage the noise levels in the Hall at dinner time. This demonstration of pupil voice is another example of how children can make their own decision and choices in our school.

Your children as being assessed and supported throughout the week. We continue to assess Nursery and Reception children for their 'on entry' abilities, and we can then share this with you. More formal testing is now taking place in Years 1-6 in reading, spelling and maths. We know some of the children's scores will not be where they would have been had we not had to close school. However, as the children hear me remind them, the word Ysgol means school and also ladder. They are all on the ladder of learning and they have had to pause on a certain rung of this ladder. Now they are back in school, they will again climb this ladder. The test scores now will be a snapshot and will help us to plan work for them over the coming months. We expect the test scores in the Spring and Summer to show good progress and further onward steps on the ladder will have been achieved. Again, please let us know if you have any concerns.

### Attendance 21st – 25th September

D/D: 80% BL1: 82.08% BL2: 87.5% BL3: 91.25% BL4: 97.86% BL5: 85% BL6: 88.08%

Parents/carers need to report absences to the school office by 9am on the first day of absence. You will need to inform the school office of the reason for the absence and the expected date the child will be returning to school. Contact details for the School Office: phone 01492 517326, text 01492 233101 or email swyddfa@cynfran.conwy.sch.uk

The homework being set for children is helping them both in terms of reinforcing new skills they are developing, but also to help them use their IT skills. We are keen to ask for your response to what IT you have at home that the children can use when sending homework back to us. Please click on the following link:

### **Technology Questionnaire**

I referred to a Wellbeing Survey we designed for your children to respond to. BI 5 & 6 have completed this already online. There responses have been very positive. This is a check to see how your children are coping now they're back in school, and having to operate in different and smaller spaces, to ensure their and everyone else's safety. Lower Juniors are due to complete it before we finish school today on school computers. Foundation Phase children are completing it as well with class teachers supporting them. We will share this with you all.

Have a lovely weekend.

Regards, Mr Rogers

### Seren Yr Wythnos

**DM-** Francis Morgan-Jones & Daisy Turner

**DD** – Lucy Stevens

**B1** – Ryder Jorge Warburton-Evans

**B2** – Poppy Wood

B3 – Whole Class

**B4** – Kora Roberts

**B5** – Cari Williams

**B6** – Joseph Moore

### Cymro/Cymraes Yr Wythnos

**DM-** Olivia Hayden & Tobie Roberts

**DD** – Catrin Jones

**B1** – Chloe Doherty

**B2** – Matilda Cinderby

**B3** – Dillon Hughes

**B4** – Nathan Alexander-Wynne

**B5** – Oliver Heap

**B6** – Eben Jones

### Parking around school

Please could parents/carers park in designated spaces only. PC Matt has been alerted to some of the car parking and will be up to school to speak with parents.

We need to park safely and legally for the benefit our of children and our parents.



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#### **Class News**

DD – have been making clay faces and kites this week for the sound c and k.

BL1 have been busy with reading and maths this week.

BL2 have done lots of outdoor exercise and yoga after a week of testing

BL3 have used the Chromebooks and log in to their HWB accounts.

BL4 - have enjoyed doing art work, based on the book 'The Boy, The Mole, The Fox and The Horse' by Charlie Mackesy.

BL5 learnt about place value and multiplying by 10 and 100 outdoors.

We dug up a time capsule from WW1 BL6 received letters from Rupert Fredrick to say we had been awarded jobs as historians. We were very excited to find coordinates using our map skills and dig up the time capsule.

#### **Kitchen News**

Many thanks to Gemma and the team for delivering a range of meals this week whilst our dishwasher was out of action. They were able to provide hot meals every day, and breakfasts every day.

After such an extended lockdown, we did not want to close school over this period of not being able to safely clean utensils. Their dedication and flexibility is very much appreciated.

### **Penblwydd Hapus**

William (3), Brooke (4), Summer (5), Tyler (3), Isaac (DD), Daisy E (3), Adam (5), Mack (6) Eben (6), Joseph (6) and Connor (2).



#### **Breakfast Club**

Year groups having fun on their own class tables during Breakfast Club.

We continue to ask that you contribute £1 per day to cover the running and resourcing of this out of hours facility. The children are very happy and content and they are ready then for their class based activities at 8:45.













# Blwyddyn 6















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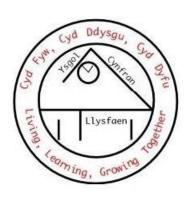
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Enjoying their ice-cream and cone







Dosbarth Derbyn





Meithrin











Bl. 1 learning about Iceland



BL5 - Looking for a WW1 time capsule in the rain









BI6 were very excited to find the time capsule and follow the different coordinates we had been given by Rupert.





The sun has allowed children to undertake a number of tasks outside.









