Ysgol Cynfran – Newsletter

Friday 8th October – Week 6

News from the Headteacher

October has arrived and we've had another very busy and happy week in school. Some of the little ones who were reluctant to come in at the beginning of the term, are now walking in much happier and more confident. This is a relief to some of the parents at the gate, but is proof that your children are developing their skills and becoming happier to say goodbye first thing. I can assure you all that if there were any worried from your little ones, we would alert you. I have made a point of congratulating them once they are in class. The moment they come in and meet their class teacher and friends, you can see their eyes light up. It's the handover that sometimes is hard more so for the parent.

Work and play is still taking place indoors and outdoors. Many of you know we have spent a lot of staff training time looking at different ways to stimulate and engage your children. Bl. 2 had a fantastic topic looking at an Italian artist and then created their own work, using fruit. Their work is on display in school to show off an amazing amount of work, which includes numerous written comments from the children. It really is magical. Working outside can be so interesting too, so a coat in school really is a must now. Many children are already wearing one coming in to school. It is cold now outside, even when the sun is out.

We have said goodbye to Gemma in the kitchen and Mrs Howells in the office. Both posts have been filled now, and we look forward to welcoming these staff shortly. In the meantime, we are being supported by very competent people, for which we are extremely grateful. We have staff absent through a variety of sickness, and I am so so thankful that we are able to remain open. You have heard me praise the brilliant teachers, support staff and colleagues who run our school, on many occasions. Yet again, I am so proud of them all.

Attendance 20th - 24th September

DD 85.60% B1 76.69%

B2 93 81%

B3 91.15%

B4 86.90%

B5 91.90%

B6 88.69%

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

Ice-lolly Shop

Mrs Robertshaw continues to offer ice creams at the end of the day for 50p on ParentPay. We will likely switch this to

hot chocolate with marshmallows soon.

News from the Kitchen

School dinners are £2.75 and will be charged to your child's Parent Pay account. Dinners must be paid for promptly.

2021 Summer Menu English (conwy.gov.uk)

If you think you maybe entitled to Free School Meals further details can be found on Conwy's website. FSM Application Form

Please remember to complete the paper copy of the One Page Pupil Profile. Class teachers and our Additional Learning Needs Co-ordinator (Mrs Williams) need these please.

Work around the school is nearing completion. We have the extensions to the front and rear nearly snag free now. the yard has been repaired, and the sky light windows have all been replaced. The mobile classroom at the rear is getting a facelift and will become an activity classroom, as well as the site for the After School Club. There are more parents taking advantage of the offer of after school care. It's a fun club with a snack. Children play indoors and weather permitting, outside too. We are open from 3:00 - 6:00 and charge a flat fee of £9.00 up to 6:00. This represents excellent value for money for childcare. Please let the office know if you need this offer.

Bl. 6 were lucky enough to go to the High School again this week. As always, they had a memorable session in the science labs, at our feeder Secondary; Ysgol Bryn Elian. Please remember the paperwork is required soon to secure your child's place in Year 7. Diolch.

We were expecting Reverend Janice and Mr Humphreys in this week, but they will be visiting next week now. More will follow.

Please remember to contact school if your child is unwell. Please have them PCR tested if they are displaying any of the three main symptoms. We are still battling the virus in school and in the community.

Have a happy and peaceful weekend.

Regards,

Mr Rogers

ALN

How arrangements for supporting children and young people with additional learning needs is changing. Please see the attached letter.

Seren Yr Wythnos

DM: Arlo Reeves

DD: Mason Snook

B1: Thea Malam

B2: Henri Conway-Williams

B3: Max Shelmerdine

B4: Jacob Greenlees

B5: Oscar Preston

B6: Evan Hamlet-Jolley

Cymro/Cymraes Yr Wythnos

DM: Javi Vega

DD: Francis Morgan-Jones

B1: Isaac Bradbury

B2: Ciaran Evans B3: Ruby Lane

B4: Riley Edwards

B5: Dylan Williams

B6: Skye Williams

Pets

We respectfully ask parents and carers who bring their children's pet dogs to meet them at either school entrance to kindly tidy up any dog mess; particularly in and around the rear alleyway. Thank you for your help in this matter.



Important Dates

Oct 10

World Mental Health Day!

Oct 11

of Bryn Elian visiting Year 6

Oct 12

Oct 19

Parents must book a place with the school if they want to

Oct 22

School closed for half-term.

closing date

Nov 12

Whole school – Trip to the pantomime at Venue Cymru

Dolwen Road. Llysfaen, LL29 8SS **☎01492 517326**



Class News

DM have been practicing counting and enjoying spending lots of time in

DD have been looking at the story of the 3 Little Pigs. They have also learnt a song that helps to retell the story – why don't you ask them to sing it to you?

B1 have started Ourselves topic and been thinking about our skeleton.

B2 have been enjoying our art work using real fruit and vegetables.

B3 have been working hard researching mountain ranges in Snowdonia and continuing with their topic work on dragons.

 $\ensuremath{\mathsf{B4}}$ have enjoyed researching Eryri and inputting their findings onto Google Classroom.

B5 have had a busy week under the guidance of Mr Rowse our Supply Teacher.

B6 attended their second science transition session at Ysgol Bryn Elian. They enjoyed carrying out an electricity investigation. Continuing with their Codebreakers work, they designed their own villain and wrote a character description.

NB: Pupil Profile Sheets

BI 3 - Please can parents who have not yet returned their completed pupil profile sheets on their children, please do so and send them in as soon as possible. Thank you from Mrs F Davies

DM- enjoying being in the garden together and practicing counting











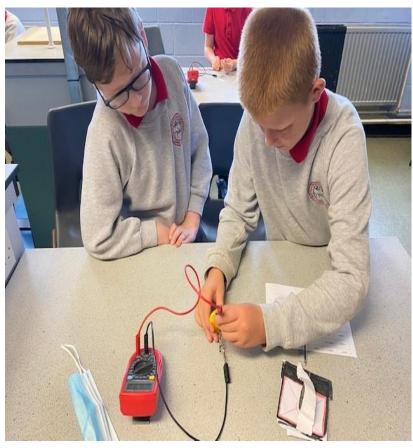


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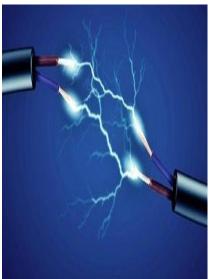
Bl 6 – Science at Ysgol Bryn Elian – Electricity Investigation

















Our Latest Art Gallery

