



'Responsibility, love, care and respect'

'Cyfrifoldeb, cariad, gofal a pharch'

Newsletter/Cylchlythyr
Friday 8th December 2023
Dydd Gwener 8 Rhagfyr 2023

Dear Parent/Guardian/Annwyl Rieni/Gwarchodwyr,

Headteacher's Update

Christmas madness is truly upon us now and I am so proud of how our children continue to act towards each other and all members of the school. They are practising for the concert and you are definitely in for a treat next week.

The Christmas Fair was a roaring success and your generosity much appreciated. Our Craft, The Bolesworth Raffle, Santa's Grotto and Mrs Howarth's Craft stall raised a whopping £221.50 and we will be putting the money towards some more glue guns. Friends of Licswm raised £316.50.

We raised £68.96 for the Royal British Legion's Poppy Appeal!

We raised £128 for Children in Need!

A huge thank you to each of you.

You will shortly be receiving your child's progress report for this term. It contains attendance data, pupil progress and results from The Welsh National tests. Please read the letter enclosed carefully as it explains why each of the reports have been included.

If you haven't already done so please check out the new website at:

licswm.bcf.cymru

We have had 2 confirmed cases of impetigo which is highly contagious. We are sanitising surfaces and equipment used and the children are washing their hands thoroughly throughout the day. Children are to remain away from school until affected areas are crusted and healed or 48 hours after commencing antibiotic treatment. Copy the link below to see images and advice. If you suspect your child may be affected please contact your doctor's surgery.

<https://www.nhs.uk/conditions/impetigo/#:~:text=Impetigo%20starts%20with%20red%20sores,cornflakes%20stuck%20to%20your%20skin>

NHS 111 Wales – Health A-Z : Impetigo

Thank you in advance for your support.

Up coming events

- There was an own clothes day today Friday 8th December to raise money for the hampers. Please pay £1 on School Gateway.
- All Nursery children will need to attend school on the morning of Tuesday 12th December for play dress rehearsal.
- All Nursery children can attend the morning session on 21st December as there will be no afternoon session as we are off to the panto.
- For the evening performances children will need to be dropped off at school at 5.30pm so they have time to get changed. Please can they come in clothing that is easy to get off and on. Please drop children off where you drop them in the morning and then make your way into the hall **via the front door** to take your seats in the hall.
- Raffle tickets will be on sale in the hall.

Seesaw

We seem to have lost some of the home school communication element of See Saw. You can still reply to message, but cannot initiate a one to one conversation. We are investigating it. **However, if, your child is absent you will need to telephone or email the school office to let us know as soon as possible.**

Emergency Contacts

The recent bad weather has highlighted the need for all children to have an emergency contact that can collect them from school **within an hour if for some reason the school needs to close.** These decisions are difficult to make but we have to consider the safety of children, staff and parents travelling from out of the village.

If for some reason you or your named contact are unable to collect your child at the end of the school day you **MUST** inform the office who will be collecting in your absence. This is a safeguarding issue. Thank you for your support.

Egg boxes

Please could you send in your unwanted eggboxes, they make great paint pots.

Criw Cymraeg

Mae'n amser ..

- Llefrith (Milk)
- Chwarae (playtime)
- Tacluso (tidy up)
- Mynd adref (go home)

PTA

Next meeting is on the 19th January 2024. We need lots of ideas for the forthcoming events. All welcome, the more the merrier so we can share ideas.

Attendance

If your child is unable to attend school due to illness, make sure the school office is informed at the earliest opportunity. **Late marks will be given to children where they have not arrived before the side gate is locked.** Please could afternoon Nursery children arrive at 12.40pm as they go in to do some phonic work in the quiet.

Dates for the Diary – (may be subject to change)

Tuesday 12th December - Christmas Play showing 10.00am for local pensioners / additional family members

Wednesday 13th December – Christmas Play Evening showing 6.00pm

Thursday 14th December – Christmas Play Evening showing 6.00pm

Thursday 21st December – Panto at Theatr Clwyd 1.30pm (Reception – Year 6 pupils only)

Residential Dates

Year 3 – Proposed Trip to Kingswood Thursday 16th May – Friday 17th May 2024

Year 4 & 5 – Proposed trip to Plas Menai – 19th June – 21st June 2024

Year 6 – Proposed Trip to London – Monday 15th July – Wednesday 17th July 2024

High School Transition days – dates tbc

School Lunches

Week commencing 11th December Week 3 of the new menu.

Wednesday 13th December is Christmas dinner – no other choices

Thursday 21st December is party menu – no other choices

Breakfast Club

Breakfast Club will be invoiced on weekly basis on school gateway. A text message will be sent out on a Monday to inform you of the invoice on school gateway for the previous week.

Reminder that Breakfast club is open from: 8am

After School Club

Please support the club as much as possible. This is a much-needed service but their numbers are falling.

Don't forget our After-School Club runs Monday to Friday every week from 3.15pm – 6pm

Term Dates for 2023/24

Friday 22 nd December	School closes for Christmas
Wednesday 10 th January	School opens for children
Friday 9 th February	School closes for half-term
Monday 19 th February	School opens for children
Friday 22 nd March	School closes for Easter
Tuesday 9 th April	School opens for children
Monday 6 th May	May Bank Holiday
Friday 24 th May	School closes for half term
Tuesday 4 th June	School opens for children
Friday 19 th July	School closes for summer

Kind Regards

Mrs O'Neill

Acting Headteacher