



YSGOL CWM BROMBIL PRIMARY PHASE NEWSLETTER

Thursday 19th December 2024- Dydd Iau 19 Rhagfyr 2024
Autumn Term Newsletter

Dear parents/carers,

As we come to the end of another year, we would like to take this opportunity to thank children, staff, governors and parents for all your hard work over the autumn term. We are already looking forward to the exciting term ahead.

We wish to express our thanks for your continued support in all that we do at school. We were delighted to welcome so many of you to our carol services and nativity performances. Thank you for all of your kind comments. It was lovely to bring back both a carol concert and nativity.

On behalf of us all, we would like to wish you all a Merry Christmas and happiness over the holiday and into the New Year. We look forward to seeing you all on Monday 6th January 2025.



Important changes for Spring Term

Homework

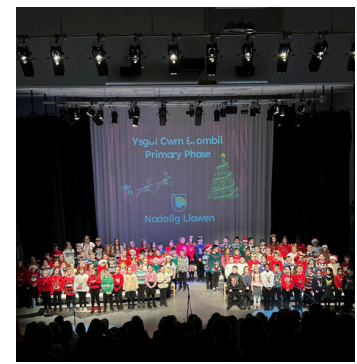
As mentioned earlier in the year, we are changing our homework policy. These changes will start in spring term. We will send an announcement so that you're all aware of the changes prior to homework being starting back in January.

Parking

We kindly remind you that the school car park is not open for general use. This decision is in place to ensure the safety of all children during busy drop-off and pick-up times. Only families who have received approval from the school are permitted to use the designated drop-off bays.

To ensure that we have an up-to-date list that reflect current needs, we are kindly asking that all parents who require access to drop off zones to reapply for access. Please contact Mr Cross or Mrs Whitcombe to discuss if you believe you have a valid reason to request.

Please do not take offense if you're asked to move your car. We're working hard to ensure the safety of all children. To prevent the movement of cars during drop off there will be cones placed to block off the crossing point. Cars will not be able to exit until 9:05am. We appreciate your cooperation in helping us maintain a safe environment for all.



Christmas Visits

Firstly, a huge thank you to our school PTFA for their support. Our PTFA funded the Christmas visits for all children in primary phase.

Younger children went to Margam Park for a 'Christmas Experience' that involved a train ride, watching reindeer being fed and also a visit to see Santa! Our older children spent their morning at the Reel cinema making memories with their friends watching Paddington in Peru.

The cost of transport for school visits alone is high, so to have the whole trip cost covered was fantastic. This ensured that all of our children were able to have the same experience.



Christmas Festive Fun

Concerts: We have had 5 fantastic performances between our school carol services and the nativity plays. It is always great to see our children on stage singing and acting with smiles on their faces. Thank you for your support.

Special Visitor: We were lucky enough to have a special visitor towards the end of term who made an appearance in our school hall. It was lovely to see all children visiting Santa and receiving an individual present.

School Dinner: A huge thank you to our school catering team for a wonderful Christmas dinner.

Attendance



We have been busy trying to help and support families to improve attendance in primary. **Our primary phase attendance for last week was 87.31%. Our school target is 95%.**

ATTENDANCE MATTERS

When you're in school you...

- Have fun!
- Gain qualifications
- Make new friends
- Develop new skills
- Achieve
- Experience new things
- Build your confidence & self esteem
- Develop awareness of other cultures, religion, ethnicity and gender differences

FORGING FUTURES TOGETHER

EVERY DAY COUNTS

School and future success starts with good attendance!

100% Your attendance is PERFECT! Our target for all pupils

DAILY LATENESS EQUATES TO...

- 3 DAYS LOST** (5 MINUTES LATE) 15 hours lost of learning
- 6 DAYS LOST** (10 MINUTES LATE) 30 hours lost of learning
- 10 DAYS LOST** (15 MINUTES LATE) 50 hours lost of learning

98% Well Done! 4 Days Absence (20 hours lost of learning. You're on the right path for success, keep it up!)

95% We are concerned! 10 Days Absence (50 hours lost of learning. Four absence gives you less chance of success.)

90% Seriously concerned! 1 Month Absence (Very poor attendance has a serious impact on your education and may reduce your life choices!)

REMEMBER Your education is important - don't miss out!

ATTENDANCE MATTERS

IN ONE SCHOOL YEAR

95% = 10 days off attendance = 50 hours of learning lost

Very poor attendance has a serious impact on your education and may reduce your life choices!

YCB Community- New Community Hub building

We have been fortunate enough to receive a grant and with support from NPT CBC we have begun building work on our exciting new community hub building, which will hold a classroom, meeting room, a café and a viewing platform for our 3G Sports Field.

This will also be, when complete the new location for our community food bank. We are excited to be working with John Weaver Construction the first few weeks of this partnership have been extremely positive. Here are some photos of the progress made so far.



Upcoming events

Class trips: Teachers are in the process of arranging trips for their class next term. Please keep an eye on ClassCharts for all information.

Friday 20th December 2024 - Last day of term.

Monday 6th January 2025- First day of spring term

Thursday 9th January & Monday 13th January 2025- Opportunity for parents/carers to attend a 'drop in' information session with Mr Cross regarding residential.

Thursday 16th January 2025- Year 6 parents 'drop in' to meet Mrs Tomkins regarding secondary phase queries. Mrs Tomkins will be available in the Year 6 class between 3:20pm and 4:10pm.

Thursday 6th February or Friday 7th February 2025 (TBC)- Year 6 languages transition day.

Monday 24th February - Friday 28th February 2025- Spring half term

Wednesday 5th March 2025- School St David's Day celebration! Children can wear traditional Welsh costumes or red tops.

Wednesday 5th March 2025- Year 3 - Year 6 Anti-racism workshops.

Friday 21st March 2025- INSET day

Thursday 3rd April & Thursday 10th April 2025- Opportunity for parents/carers of children attending Year 5 & 6 residential to meet with staff regarding medication and any queries.

Friday 11th April 2025- Last day of spring term



Acting Leaders of Primary Phase

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Friday 20 th December 2024	Last Day of half term 2
Christmas Holiday – Monday 23 rd December 2024 – Friday 3 rd January 2025	
Spring Term, half term 3 2024-25	
Monday 6 th January 2025	Half term 3 Starts for all pupils
Friday 21 st February 2025	Last Day of half term 3
Half Term holiday - Monday 24 th February 2025 – Friday 28 th February 2025	
Spring Term, half term 4 2024-25	
Monday 3 rd March 2025	Term 4 Starts
Friday 21 st March 2025	Staff INSET (Training) Day
Friday 11 th April 2025	Last Day of half term 4 for pupils
Easter holiday - Monday 14 th April 2025 - Friday 25 th April 2025	
Summer Term, half term 5 2024-25	
Monday 28 th April 2025	Term 5 Starts
Monday 5 th May 2025	May Day Bank Holiday
Thursday 22 nd May 2025	Last Day of half term 5
Friday 23 rd May 2025	Staff INSET (Training) Day
Half Term - Monday 26 th May 2025 - Friday 31 st May 2025	
Summer Term Half term 6 2024-25	
Monday 2 nd June 2025	Half term 6 Starts
Friday 18 th July 2025	Last Day of half term 6 & End of school Year

To keep up to date with all school information please make sure you're signed up to each of our school communication platforms:



ClassCharts



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