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(In the loop - Ysgol Cwm Brombil's Weekly Bulletin)

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Autumn Term / Tymor y Gaeaf

Half Term : Monday 28th October - Friday 1st November /
Hanner Tymor: Dydd Llun Hydref 28 – Dydd Gwener Tachwedd 1
 End / Diwedd: Friday 20th December 2024 / Dydd Gwener Rhagfyr 2024

Week Beginning - Monday 25th November 2024

Monday		
Tuesday		
Wednesday		
Thursday		
Friday		INSET DAY

Week Beginning - Monday 02nd December 2024

Monday	Flu Vaccines	INSET DAY
Tuesday		Yr 10 Exam Information Evening
Wednesday		Yr 10 Health & Social Care Trip
Thursday		
Friday		

Our exciting program of Enrichment is out and available on our website:

[Ysgol Cwm Brombil Enrichment Programme](#)



YCB Community

CHRISTMAS @ YSGOL CWM BROMBIL

We will be holding our first Christmas Fayre at Ysgol Cwm Brombil on Thursday 28th November 3.30 -7pm. It would be fantastic to see as many of you including your family and friends attending in support of our Christmas Child Appeal 2024. We have lots of exciting things for children and adults.

We have lots of amazing stalls from people within the community along with Santa, Storytelling with Mrs Claus, Elf letter writing, Wreath making in our Christmas themed garden. We have music from local bands along with our school choir, to get everyone in the festive mood.

Entry to the Fayre is free, with some bookable activities.

If you would like a stall on the night please complete the link below

<https://forms.office.com/e/8PAy4FAPuD>



The Pantry

Our weekly food bank is open every Thursday from 3.15. This is available to anyone within our school community, no referral needed, please just drop in as and when needed.

We all need a little help sometimes. Entrance to the Food Bank – The Pantry is accessed via the pupil entrance in the senior phase school, inside the canteen area.

Refreshments will be provided for everyone waiting, we look forward to seeing you, please remember to bring your bags with you.



Donations

We are always grateful for any donations that you can provide towards our food bank, we always need the below items. There is a drop off trolley in reception:

- Tinned Goods:
 - Meats – hotdogs, minced beef, pies, meatballs, curries etc.
 - Beans
 - Beans and Sausage
 - Spaghetti
 - Tinned Veg
 - Potatoes,
 - carrots,
 - peas,
 - sweetcorn
 - Tuna
 - Tinned fruits
- Cereal
- UHT Milk
- Pasta – including sauces
- Toiletries
 - Shampoo,
 - Shower gel,
 - Conditioner,
 - Toothpaste
 - Toilet rolls

*Please NO sanitary products, we have lots in stock



THANK YOU FOR YOUR SUPPORT

CHRISTMAS CHILD APPEAL 2024



We have launched our Christmas Child Appeal 2024; this is our 7th Year supporting those most in need at Christmas time. Ensuring Santa visits all children.

Supporting children and families within the community. We are expecting to support between 250 - 300 children, with clothes, gifts, etc

If you would like to support our Christmas Child appeal please could you drop off any gifts to our reception area.

If you would like to make a financial donation please follow the link or scan the QR Code

https://paypal.me/ycbcommunity?country.x=GB&locale.x=en_GB

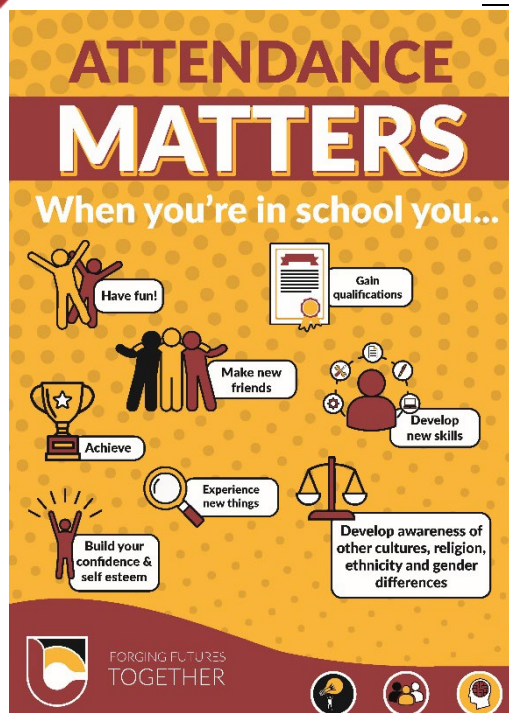


If you would like us to provide you with support at Christmas, please click the link below

<https://forms.office.com/e/M7h8Uz9R4k>

If you have any questions please contact us Community@ysgolcwmbrombil.co.uk or visits us on Facebook- YCB Community

Attendance Information



Our attendance target for all students is 100% and our **minimum expectation is 95%**. The infographic above shows the impact of days missed and minutes late can have on a child's learning.

For example:

- If a child is **late to school just 5 minutes** each day, throughout the year that equates to **3 days lost to learning (15 hours)**.
- Attendances of **97%** allows for one day of absence per half term and results in **30 hours lost to learning**

Important Reminders:

1. Parents **MUST** contact school to report any absences on **01639 760110 before 8.30 am**.
2. Parents should contact the school **each day** that a pupil is not attending.
3. If the school are not notified, then **you will be contacted** by a member of the Attendance team to find out why your child is not in school.
4. If you child is not notified of the reason for the absence it will be recorded as **unauthorised absence**.
5. If there are three unauthorised absences in a row, the Safeguarding Lead and Education Welfare Officer will be made aware to ensure that you child is safe.
6. You will be required to produce medical evidence if you state that your child is ill for 3 or more consecutive days.
7. We will ask the school Healthcare Professional to contact you if there is an absence of more than 2 weeks.
8. Term time leave will only be granted by the headteacher on request.
9. Where possible, **all appointments should be made outside of the school day**.



International Club

Members of the International Club would like to thank the Mayor for coming to meet our Spanish visitors and learn more about their hometown of Vigo in Galicia. A group visits Ysgol Cwm Brombil every autumn to improve their English skills.

The club organises a buddy system and the visitors are totally integrated into school life for a few weeks. They wear the uniform and follow the curriculum.

Many past pupils are still in touch with their buddies and will remain friends for life.



School Uniform Expectations

All students are expected to wear school uniform throughout the school day.
Below are uniform guidelines for both boys and girls, as well as PE Kit:

All pupils Year 7 to 11		
Blazer	Black school blazer	Available from Bergoni. Blazers must be brought to school and worn every day.
Shirt	White shirt with collar.	Can be purchased from any retailer.
Trousers	Plain black tailored uniform style trousers.	Jean style, corduroys, skinny or casual trousers are not permitted.
Skirt *	Plain black school uniform style skirt.	Skirts should be an appropriate length.
Tights	Plain black tights	Tights are to be worn with skirts and can be purchased from any retailer.
Shoes	Black shoes with black laces.	Available from any retailer. Black leather converse shoes are permitted. NO TRAINERS
Tie	School tie.	Available from Bergoni.
Jumper	Black with badge.	Available from Bergoni. Jumpers are optional.
Shorts	Black tailored shorts.	Only for the summer term. Not PE shorts.
Outdoor coat/Jacket	Coats should be waterproof and black in colour.	Available from any retailer.
Socks (only if not wearing tights)	Ankle height, plain black or white.	Available from any retailer.
Please note hoodies are <u>not</u> allowed in school. Any pupil who refuses to remove them during the day will have them confiscated.		
Physical Education		
Unisex T Shirt		Available exclusively from Bergoni
Rugby Jersey		Available exclusively from Bergoni
Shorts		Available exclusively from Bergoni
Socks		Available exclusively from Bergoni
Unisex ¼ zipped top		Optional item. Available exclusively from Bergoni
Plain black tracksuit bottoms		Optional available at any retail store
Skort or Legging (recommended to go a size bigger than your normal clothes size as they are smaller sizes.)		Available exclusively from Bergoni
Please note, even on PE days, hoodies are not allowed in school. Pupils are expected to wear a long sleeve PE top when cold.		

For further information regarding our uniform expectations please see our [school website](#):

Anti-Bullying Week

Last week pupils and staff celebrated Anti-Bullying week by taking part in national Odd Socks Day on Tuesday. Throughout the week, pupils were delivered an assembly on how we can be respectful around the school and they learnt about the amazing, scientifically proven benefits of kindness. Therefore, in order to spread kindness around school, selected pupils delivered "Act of Kindness" cards to other pupils and staff throughout the school. Pupils had to complete the act of kindness on the card they were given and then had to pass it on to someone else, to keep the kindness going. It was wonderful to hear and see so many pupils and staff being kind to one another and even spreading the good deeds to their homes and communities. Well done to everyone involved!





Sporting News & Success

The wintry conditions this week meant that several fixtures were postponed but well done to the following teams for braving the elements!

Regional Basketball Champions



Year 10 gave a fabulous performance in the NBA Sponsored Regional Tournament. Our boys came out victorious in the final against Cwm Tawe. Many thanks also go to Llangatwg, Dwr y Felin, Bro Dur, Bae Baglan and Ystalyfera for a fantastic morning's basketball

Cross Country

Congratulations to Sienna on running the Inter-Regional Cross Country on the weekend in Newtown. What an achievement and also achieving a PB!



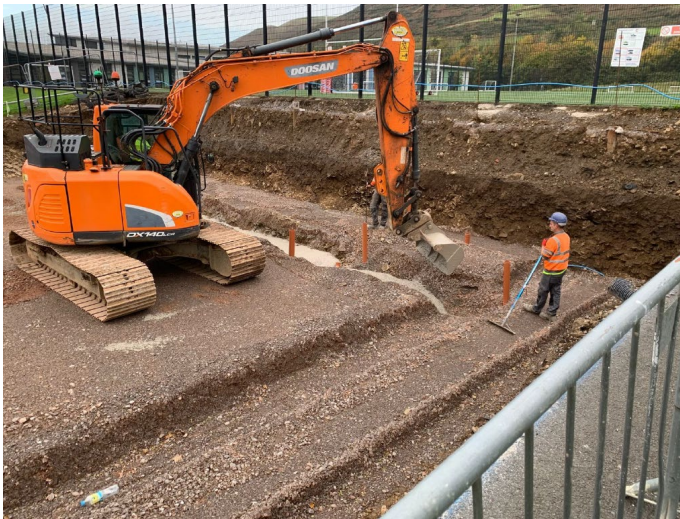
Football

Year 7 Girls played Ysgol Bae Baglan in really icy conditions. Both teams played really well and showed a lot of passion.



Community Hub

The fine weather has meant good progress is being made on our new community hub building. The John Weaver construction team are working hard at making the process go as swiftly and smoothly as possible. We hope to have the front access path to the 3G available again very soon. Meanwhile after school clubs can access the 3 G by going around the building. The café is still open on the weekend from the normal access.







UNWELL? CHOOSE WELL



Scan to get further advice on the NHS 111 Wales website



Self Care

Minor Ailments
(treated at home)

Minor Cuts & Grazes
Minor Bruises
Minor Sprains
Coughs & Colds



Pharmacy

Local Expert Advice

Minor Illnesses
Headaches
Stomach Upsets
Bites & Stings



NHS 111

Non-Emergency Help

Use NHS 111 online if you're unsure what service you need



GP Practice

Team of Medical Professionals

Lasting Symptoms
Chronic Pain
Long Term Conditions
New Prescriptions



Urgent Care

Urgent Treatment Centres

Breaks & Sprains
X-Rays
Cuts & Burns
Fever & Rashes



A&E or 999

Emergencies ONLY!

Choking
Chest Pain
Blacking Out
Serious Blood Loss



If you can, use online services in the first instance



Mental Health

FOR URGENT MENTAL HEALTH HELP

Text 'SHOUT' to 85258 for free from a UK mobile network or scan the QR Code to find a local helpline.



Eco Club

Are you passionate about the environment and want to make a difference in our school and community? If so, it's time to join YCB's Eco Committee!

As a member, you'll have the chance to lead on projects that promote sustainability and make our school a greener place. You'll work with like-minded peers, gain valuable skills in leadership and teamwork, and even have your ideas put into action!

We're inviting pupils from year 7-11 to join! If interested, application forms can be collected from Miss Henson in room B19

Join YCB's
ECO-COMMITTEE

TOGETHER, WE CAN MAKE OUR SCHOOL
GREENER!



YSGOL CWM
BROMBIL

IF
INTERESTED,
COME AND
SEE MISS
HENSON FOR
AN
APPLICATION
FORM IN
ROOM B19.

ACT
NOW

SMALL CHANGES, BIG IMPACT:
EVERY ACTION COUNTS!

Do more!
Enjoy more!
Be more!

ENRICHMENT



Term dates for 2024-25

Autumn Term, half term 1 2024-25	
Tuesday 3 rd September 2024	Year 7 & 11 attend school
Wednesday 4 th September 2024	All pupils attend school
Friday 25 th October 2024	Last Day of half term 1
Half Term holiday - Monday 28 th October 2024 – Friday 1 st November 2024	
Autumn Term, half term 2 2024-25	
Monday 6 th November 2024	Term starts
Friday 29 th November 2024	Staff INSET (Training) Day
Monday 2 nd December 2024	Staff INSET (Training) Day
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

