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Respect, respond, be brave, rejoice!
Pardwch, ymatebwch, byddwch ddwr, llawenhewch!

Newsletter/Cylchlythyr Friday 22nd March 2024 Dydd Gwener 22 Mawrth 2024

Dear Parent/Guardian/Annwyl Rieni/Gwarchodwyr,

Headteacher's Update

Wow!! What a term we have had. It has been remarkably short, but so, so busy!

It was great to have both schools of The Bryniau Clwyd Federation at their respective village churches celebrating Easter and being supported by members of our community.

Progress reports have been sent out this week and celebrate the efforts all children have made. The recent 'book look' was a success and it was lovely to hear so many positive comments. The children were very proud to show you their work and talk about what they have done in school.

There are details of your child's attendance included also and I hope you join us in striving to get children to attend school everyday. Please note holidays for 10 days are authorised however we are no longer to authorise holidays beyond this. This will result in an unauthorised absence being recorded and a possible visit from the Education Welfare Officer.

The children are very excited about going to the airport too. We can't wait to share our adventures with you.

The children will continue with their current topics after the Easter break due to this term being so short.

May I take this opportunity to thank you all for your support this term and the staff for all their hard work.

I hope you all have a peaceful Easter and enjoy some family time.

The children return to school on Tuesday 9th April.

Best Wishes

Mrs O'Neill



Please remember to check out the new school website, lots of information on there for you. Also, please keep following twitter and facebook.

Easter Egg Hunt – Monday 1st April

The PTA will be holding an Easter Egg Hunt on Monday 1st April in Caerwys Park starting at 11.00am. There will be a raffle to win a hamper, guess how many eggs are in the jar and a special guest appearance. Any donations for the hampers welcome, please drop them off at school. All welcome to come along and join in the fun. Please see attached for further details.

School Transport Timetable 2024/2025

The application to apply for school transport for pupils starting in the Reception class or Year 7 at High School in September 2024 is available on line. Parents need to complete the application form via the link below. Parents are encouraged to apply as soon as possible but no later than the 31st May 2024.

<http://www.flintshire.gov.uk/en/Resident/Schools/School-Transport-Application.aspx>

School Lunches – Reception to Year 6 Pupils

As from 9th April all pupils in Reception to Year 6 are entitled to free school meals. Please ensure any dinner debt (year 5 & 6 pupils are cleared as soon as possible).

The new school meal ordering system is up and running. You are now able to order your child's/children's school dinner up to three weeks in advance on the School Gateway App. If it is a whole school trip then the only option available to you on that day will be packed lunches. Instructions on how to do this have been sent home. School will be checking each day to ensure that you have ordered a dinner, or that your child has a packed lunch from home. If your child is going to be late in, please ensure that you let us know before 9.30am. If you have pre-ordered and your child is absent from school we will remove the dinner for that day.

Attendance

If your child is unable to attend school due to illness, make sure the school office is informed at the earliest opportunity. **Children do suffer from coughs and colds, however unless they are running a temperature they can still come into school. Children need to remain at home for 48 hours after the last episode of a tummy bug!** Late marks will be given to children where they have not arrived before registration. Please remember in an effort to maintain Welsh Government attendance recommendations any holiday requests must be submitted to the office for approval.

collect children within an hour. Please help us by keeping us informed of any change of mobile number/email address and advise us of an additional emergency contact if this applies to you.

There is guidance on The NHS website if you are unsure.

Last half term our attendance was 93.48%

Tuck Shop for Years 3 to 6

A healthy snack will be available each day for pupils in years 3 to 6 for the cost of 20p.



PE

Wednesday afternoon for Reception and Year 1.

Year 2-6 have PE every Thursday with Aura sport please ensure the children come to school in their PE kit with the appropriate footwear.

PE Kit

Please can you ensure that your child has the correct PE Kit on PE days and especially for sporting events that we will be taking part in –

Black/grey jogging bottoms, leggings or shorts, plain white t-shirt, red jumper. Children must wear sensible trainers for PE. No jewellery please. If your child has earrings that cannot be removed, surgical tape will be applied for safety reasons.

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

Year 3 & 4 - Floorball Festival – Tuesday 16th April

Year 5 & 6 - Football friendly at Ysgol Bro Carmel – Friday 19th April

Year 3 – Music First Concert at Wrexham – Tuesday 23rd April

Year 5 & 6 – Hockey Festival at Mold Alun – Wednesday 24th April

Tempest Photography – Family, Individual and Year 6 Leavers - Friday 3rd May 2024

Year 5 & 6 – Football friendly at Ysgol Bro Carmel – Friday 3rd May

Year 5 & 6 – Cycling Proficiency – Friday 14th June

Residential Dates

Year 3 – Trip to Kingswood Thursday 16th May – Friday 17th May 2024 – Full payment by 27th February

Year 4 & 5 – Trip to Plas Menai – 19th to 21st June 2023 – Full payment by 24th May

Year 6 – Trip to London – Monday 15th July – Wednesday 17th July 2024 – Full payment by 24th May

Breakfast Club

Breakfast Club will be open from 8.00am to 8.15am for those who pay £1.50 per day, £7.50 per week, payable on School Gateway. **Please pay in advance and state clearly the day the payment is for.** The FREE Breakfast Club runs from 8.16am. Doors close at 8.30am. **Please remember children are not permitted to bring their own food to Breakfast Club.**

Wrap Around Care

CBB runs wrap around care from 11.30am to 3.00pm for children 2.5 years old up to Nursery age. It also runs an after school club until 6.00pm. This is a new secure unit that provides safe, enjoyable care during the working week. Any correspondence or contact needs to be made directly to Holly either by email or mobile. 07748 464833. Email clwbbwthynbach@gmail.com.



Please note that the office is not staffed full time. Mrs Tandy works from 8am – 1pm. If it is urgent please leave a phone message as we will not pick up School Gateway until after school or the next day.

Term Dates for 2023/24

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
Monday 8th April 2024 Monday 3rd June 2024	Training Days (School closed to pupils)

