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Respect, respond, be brave, rejoice!
Newsletter/Cylchlythyr

Friday 27th March 2026 / Dydd Gwener 27 Mawrth 2026

Dear Families,

I hope that you are all well, and that you are all looking forward to a well-deserved break over the Easter holidays.

I would like to say a huge thank you to all who helped with our recent Easter Bingo fundraiser. We raised £501.00 and had a great night; thank you to those who supported by buying a raffle ticket, too. Schools rely on generosity like this to enrich the curriculum and for that, we are very grateful.

We have used some of the funds raised to purchase a bike rack for school, after having it suggested to us by a parent. This will mean that children arriving by bike will be able to store their bikes more safely. I will communicate with you after Easter when I have managed to install it... my drills are on charge as we speak! We are also going to buy some much needed science resources.

I wish you a restful, peaceful Easter - however you celebrate - and pray that every blessing of the season be upon you.

Kind regards,

Mr A Sutton

Mad Science After School Club

We are pleased to confirm that the Mad Science after school club will be going ahead for those who have signed up. The dates are, **Thursday, 16th April, 23rd April, 4th May, 14th May and 21st May** from 3.15pm to 4.15pm. The cost is £52.50 for the five sessions. If your child wishes to take part and you have not registered, please do so directly with them.

School Comms/Parent Pay changes from 1st April

As you know, we use School Comms/Parent Pay for on line payments, parental consent and text messages. As from 1st April they are changing (increasing!) the way they charge us for the texting service. This means that we will have to reduce the number of texts that we send out. We will continue to text you when necessary but will, in the main, be using email to contact you instead of text message.



Please advise Mrs Tandy of any change of email address as soon as possible and please add yemail@hwbcymru.net to your 'safe senders' list so emails from school do not end up in your junk folder.

Please keep all payments up to date on School Gateway.

Please can we ask that all parents download the School Gateway App if you have not already done so. Text messages that come through to the App are charged at half the price (they used to be free)! Attached is information on how to ensure that you receive messages on the App.

School Admissions Useful Dates for 2025

Applications for admission to join our school in 2025/2026 are available on the Flintshire School Admissions website as follows –

Children who have their 3rd birthday between 1st January 2026 and 31st March 2026 are eligible for Early Entitlement education funding and can join our Nursery from the 14th April through to the 17th July (school term time only). Applications open on **January 28th 2026** on the Flintshire County Council Early Entitlement Website.

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 to school. There is guidance on the NHS website if you are unsure. 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.

This week's attendance is 97.99%

PE

All pupils will be having their PE lessons on a **Thursday**. Please ensure all children come to school in their PE Kits 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 they will take 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. Please ensure that long hair is tied back, to prevent any accidents and reduce the spread of headlice.

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. The doors will not be open until 8.00am. **Please pay in advance and state**



clearly the day the payment is for. The FREE Breakfast Club run from 8.16am. **Doors close at 8.40am. Breakfast is only served until 8.30am. If you arrive after 8.40am please use the playground entrance doors will open at 8.55am. Please remember children are not permitted to bring their own food to Breakfast Club.**

Dates for your Dairy (may be subject to change)

Year 3 Cello lessons begin Tuesday 28th April to 30th June. Concert at Theatr Clwyd on 7th July.

Library van at school – 15th April, 6th May, 27th May, 17th June and 8th July.

Prayers and Create Wednesdays at St Michael's Church 3.30pm t 4.30pm – 22nd April, 20th May and 17th June

Tempest Photography – Family, Individual and Year 6 Group Photographs – Friday 8th May from 9.15am

Year 6 – Wednesday 6th May - Mold Police Station Visit

Year 4, 5 & 6 – Friday 15th May day visit to CADW Pilgrimage sites

School closes for Whit Holiday – Friday 22nd May and reopens on Tuesday 2nd June

Year 2 to 6 – Tata Steel Mini Triathlon at Mold Alun (further details to follow)

Sports Day – 11th June (1st choice), 18th June (2nd choice)

Year 5 & 6 – Wednesday 24th June – Cycling Proficiency

Year 6 Leavers Service – Friday 17th July at St Michael's Church 9.15am

Residential Visits

Year 6 – London Trip – 22nd April to 24th April 2026

Year 4 & 5 – Plas Menai – 29th April to 1st May 2026 **(full payment by 31st March 2026)**

St Michael's Church Easter

Sunday 29th March 11.15am – Palm Sunday

Friday 3rd April 2.00pm – Good Friday Service led by Canon Mike Haslam

Saturday 4th April 10.00am to 12.00am Easter Club – crafts for kids, Easter Egg Hunt, coffee for parents all FREE

Sunday 5th April 11.15am – Easter Sunday Service, Holy Communion celebrated by Canon Sally Harper

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 secure unit that provides, safe, enjoyable care during the working week. Any correspondence or contact needs to be made directly to Alice either by email or mobile 07895 580302.

Please note that the office is not staffed full time. Mrs Tandy works from 7.30am to 12.30pm Monday to Thursday and 11.30am on a Friday. If it is urgent, please leave a phone message as we will not pick up School Gateway until the next day.

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