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Newsletter/Cylchlythyr

Friday 13th November 2026 / Dydd Gwener 13 Tachwedd 2026

Christmas Concert Tickets – 2nd Release 18th November

The second release of 2 Christmas Concert Tickets per family will be available on School Gateway from 18th November. Please do no request or pay for any more than 2 tickets. We do advise you to ensure that you have purchased your initial 2 tickets per family before the second release of tickets on 18th November.

There will be three Payment Requests available again, one for each of the performances. Select the day and time for the performance that you wish to purchase your two tickets for. Any remaining tickets will go on general sale on the 30th November, we will let you know in the comments how many tickets are left for each performance.

Own Clothes Days – Christmas Hamper Raffle

The first of our own clothes day will be on **Friday 20th November and the second on Friday 27th November in exchange for luxury items for the Hampers.** Raffle tickets have been sent home for you to sell as many as possible. Each number costs £1.00. All proceeds go School Fund for the benefit of the children. For all those who sell 10 tickets or more your child's name will be entered into a draw for a specific child's prize.

School Admissions Useful Dates for 2026/2027

Applications for admission to join school in 2026/2027 are available on the Flintshire School Admission website as follows –

Children who are 4 years of age by 31st August 2027 are entitled to apply for a place in **Reception class** in September 2027. **Applications open on 21st September 2026 and close on 15th January 2027**. Parents notified on 16th April 2027.

Children who are 3 years of age by the 31st August 2027 are entitled to a place in **Nursery** (Monday to Friday, term time only) in September 2027. **Applications open on 4th January 2027 and close on 15th February 2027.**

Early Entitlement Nursery January 2027 and April 2027

Children get 10 hours of free Early Entitlement education per week. We offer Monday to Thursday morning, 2 hours per day, term time only the term after their birthday.

Children who turn 3 years of age between 1st September and 31st December 2026 are entitled to apply for a place in our Early Entitlement Nursery starting on 6th January 2027. **Applications for January admission open on the 18th October on the Flintshire Early Entitlement Website.**

Children who turn 3 years of age between 1st January and 31st March are entitled to apply for a place in our Early Entitlement Nursery starting on 5th April 2027. **Applications will open for this next year.**

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.

Last week's attendance was 97.97%

PE

PE for children in Onnen and Celyn (Year 3 to 6) will be having their PE lessons on a **Thursday.** Derwen Bach will have PE on a **Wednesday** (Reception to Year 2). 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.**

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.

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

Mobile Library Van – 2nd December

Christmas Performance of Peter Pan – Tuesday 8th December 1.30pm and 6.00pm, Wednesday 9th December 6.00pm

Save The Children Christmas Jumper Day – 10th December – donations on School Gateway

Reception to Year 6 – Aladdin in Panto at Rhyl Pavilion – 16th December 2026 at 10.00am

Reception to Year 6 - Christmas Party Food from Newydd followed by a School Disco – Thursday 17th December

Christmas Service – St Michael's Church – Friday 18th December at 1.30pm followed by sale of the children's craft, tea/coffee, cakes and mince pies.

School closes Friday 18th December

School opens – Wednesday 6th January 2027

Year 6 – London Residential Visit – Wednesday 21st April to Friday 23rd April 2027

Year 4 & 5 – Plas Menai Residential Visit – Wednesday 28th April to Friday 30th April 2027