



Lythys - Newsletter
- 20th December
2019

This half term our
value is "Unity"

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Dear Parent/Carer,
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Diary Dates/Forthcoming Events

20th December - Christmas term ends

22nd December - Carols Under the Arch at The Big Arch Abersychan - 6.00pm.

6th January 2020 - School begins for Spring Term

Attendance

Our Attendance Winners for last week in Foundation Phase were Dosbarth 6 with 98.5% & KS2 winners were Dosbarth 7 with 97.3% The overall attendance last week was 93.55%. Well done everyone!

Knitting Club - We are hoping to start an after-school knitting club in the New Year, if parents/carers have any wool or knitting needles they would like to donate we would be very grateful.

Dragon Bags - recycling

The Eco Council has arranged for the delivery of a large recycling box, the box is placed just outside the kitchen. If you have any good quality clothes and shoes you no longer need, please bring them in and pop them in the box, **recycle your unwanted clothes and raise money for our school. Thank you.**

After School Clubs - will not take place the first week of next term, please check the newsletter for an update of all after school clubs and their exact start date.

Tuck, snack and lunch boxes -

We would like to remind parents and carers that we are a healthy school that is working towards a phase 6 Healthy School's Award. Please can your children be given healthy snacks for tuck time and lunch. **Whole packets of biscuits, sweets and chocolate are not permitted. Your child will be told to take these home and will not be allowed to eat them.** Please do not give your child large amounts of unhealthy, sugary foods to eat in school. Fruit, small vegetable packs and cereal bars are suitable for snack and lunch boxes. Thank you.

Applications for Reception in September 2020

Please be aware that the closing date for applications into Reception for September 2020 is **13th January.**

Reception Reading Café

Reception staff would like to invite you to a Reading Cafe on 15th January at 2pm, where you will be able to take part in some lovely reading activities with your children.

Families Connect

We are delighted to be able to run the Families Connect Course for Reception pupils and parents again this year. The course will start on January 24th and will run for 8 weeks. If you are interested in taking part please talk to Mrs Davies.

Year 5 residential trip.

Yesterday we sent letters home regarding the Year 5 residential trip we have provisionally booked to Holmbury, Surrey. This will take place between Monday 1st June 2020 - Wednesday 3rd June 2020. The cost for the whole trip will be £189.00. We need to confirm numbers with the company by Wednesday 15th January 2020. Please can deposits (£30 non-refundable) and permission letters be paid/returned to school by this date. Payment must be paid on-line or at a Torfaen Cash Office, Civic Centre, Pontypool, using your child's unique number.

Year 6 residential trip - Final balance to be paid by Friday 10th January 2020.

A big thank you to all staff, governors and pupils for taking part in our end of term Christmas Concert, we all left feeling very festive!

Nursery

We would like to wish you all a Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year. Thank you for your support this term and we look forward to seeing you all in 2020!

Dosbarth 1 & 2

Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year to all the children and their families! We have had an amazing first term with the children and thank you all for your continuing support. We hope you have a lovely break and we are looking forward to seeing you back in 2020 for our new topic 'Cymru a'r byd'.

Dosbarth 3 & 4

We would like to wish everyone a very Merry Christmas! Thank you for your continued support and donations throughout the year. We hope you have a fantastic break and a very Happy New Year! Please stay safe, and we will see you in 2020.

Dosbarth 5 & 6

Thank you for all your support this first half term. The children have worked hard, and we are all super proud of them! Our new topic next year is 'A World of Words.' We will be looking at different languages all over the world. If anyone is fluent in a language and would like to help, please speak to a member of staff. Merry Christmas to everyone. We wish you a lovely Christmas break and a happy new year! Enjoy the holidays and stay safe!

Dosbarth 9 & 10

We would like to wish everybody a Merry Christmas and a happy new year. We are so proud of the children and off the way they have worked-so we would like them to enjoy themselves over the Christmas Holidays and stay safe!

Dosbarth 11 & 12

Thank you for an excellent term. Merry Christmas and a happy new year from all staff in year 5! Enjoy and stay safe. We look forward to welcoming the children back to 2020 celebrating our topic day on Friday 10th January.

Dosbarth 13 & 14

A huge Merry Christmas and Happy New Year to all of the year 6 pupils and families. Thank you so much for such a fabulous start to the academic year. We look forward to welcoming you in 2020 and celebrating our topic day on Friday 10th January.

We hope you all have a wonderful Christmas time, spend some well-deserved time together and we will see you all in the New Year. Merry Christmas and Happy New Year to you all.

Mrs S E Roche & all the Staff at Garnteg