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# Lythys - Newsletter - 31\* January 2020

# This half term our value is "Appreciation"

Dear Parent/Carer, Annwyl Rhieni

**Diary Dates/Forthcoming Events** 

Tuesday 4<sup>th</sup> February - Class 3 Assembly Thursday 6<sup>th</sup> February - Year 3 trip to Newport Wetlands Monday 10<sup>th</sup> February - Year 4 & 5 Transition day at Abersychan Comprehensive School Tuesday 11<sup>th</sup> February - Year 4 trip to Newport Wetlands Wednesday 12<sup>th</sup> February - Year 6 residential trip - meeting for parents at 3.30pm Thursday 14<sup>th</sup> February - Valentines Disco 4.00 - 5.00 for Foundation Phase 5.10-6.10 for KS2 Monday 17<sup>th</sup> February - Friday 21<sup>st</sup> February - Half-term Monday 30<sup>th</sup> March - Wednesday 1<sup>st</sup> April - Year 6 Residential Trip to London Monday 30<sup>th</sup> March and Tuesday 31<sup>st</sup> March - Parent Consultations for Nursery to Year 5 Year 6 Parent Consultations - date to be arranged Friday 3<sup>rd</sup> April - Inset Day Monday 1<sup>st</sup> June - Wednesday 3<sup>rd</sup> June - Year 5 Residential Trip to Holmbury

Foundation Phase		KS2	
Dosbarth 1 Miss Carrol	Leo	Dosbarth 7 Mrs Lewis	Ella
Dosbarth 2 Mr Key	Oscar	Dosbarth 8 Miss Paske	Gracie
Dosbarth 3 Miss Bones	Olivia	Dosbarth 9 Mrs Rogers	Luke
Dosbarth 4 Miss Brooks	Taylan	Dosbarth 10 Mrs Messore	Finley
Dosbarth 5 Mrs Attewell	Finley	Dosbarth 11 Miss Grimas	Chloe
Dosbarth 6 Mrs Ally-Perrett	Lolarose	Dosbarth 12 Miss Williams	Jacob K
		Dosbarth 13 Mrs Parker Evans	Рорру
		Dosbarth 14 Mr Phillips	Alfie

Good News Assembly for Key Stage 2 is held on Thursdays 9:15am. Foundation Phase is Fridays at 9:15am. Parents/carers are welcome to attend to celebrate their children having pupil of the week.

#### <u>Attendance</u>

Our Attendance Winners for last week in Foundation Phase were Dosbarth 8 with 98.33% & KS2 winners were Dosbarth 14 with 97.8% The overall attendance was 96.37%.

13 out of 14 classes were above 95% last week – with a big push we could make it 14 out of 14 – a huge well done to pupils and parents!

# New Curriculum for Wales

Lots of updates and changes have been made to our pending curriculum for Wales which will be rolled out in 2022. Please feel free to take a look and explore the changes to the draft curriculum on hwb.gov.wales homepage.

#### Childrens Mental Health Week

Next week we will be supporting Childrens Mental Health week and the children will be taking part in activities such as the climbing wall to link in with 'Find your brave,' which is this year's theme from the charity 'Place 2 be'. Mental Health Week shines a spotlight on the importance of children and young people's mental health.

#### Llanerch Memorial

The humanities learning team will be attending the Llanerch Memorial on Thursday 6<sup>th</sup> February to pay our respects to the brave men and boys who lost their lives in this tragic disaster

#### **Barrier Operational Times**

8.00am - 8.30am - Staff only

**8.30am - 9.05am** - Parental access, the barrier will be up at this time to allow access. Please do not tailgate as the barrier will close after each car has entered the school site.

After 9.05am - access will be for visitors, disabled badge holders and deliveries only

2.45pm - 3.05pm - Parental access - plese fill up the car park in an orderly manner and switch off engines

**3.05pm - 3.30pm - Barrier & Gates** will be closed as per our usual procedures which has worked well in the smooth transition of entering and leaving the school site.

Additional parking is also available at the Millennium Hall - the car park opens at 6.30am

#### Update for Parents Torfaen LA

The responsibility for issuing fines for illegal parking - eg on yellow double lines - within Torfaen has now been handed over to Torfaen LA.

The Council now employs officers to issue parking enforcement notices. Parking Enforcement Officer will have a positive influence on coercing drivers in the vicinity of our site to drive and park more courteously and safely,

#### Nursery

A reminder that homework bags need to be brought in every Wednesday so they can be changed, and learning logs given out. Nursery's topic day, 'Cymru a'r byd, is Friday 7<sup>th</sup> February! Children are invited to come to school in traditional clothing of their favourite country to celebrate. We look forward to seeing your costumes!

#### Dosbarth 1& 2

Da iawn Dosbarth Un and Dau for a brilliant topic day, thank you to all for supporting the children with this day. We had fun exploring our new topic and thinking of things we would like to learn about this term!

# Dosbarth 3 & 4

Dosbarth Tri's Class Assembly is on Tuesday, can any costumes be brought in on Monday so we can have a practise with these. If you are unsure please ask Miss Bones or any member of the Year 1 team. Diolch!

# Dosbarth 5 & 6

A Polite reminder for all PE kit to be returned to school. Diolch!

# Dosbarth 7 & 8

Polite reminder that year 3 are taking part in an outdoor project this term. Please could you send in a pair of wellies every Friday. These can be kept in school or brought in every week. Our school trip to Newport Wetlands is on Thursday 6<sup>th</sup> February. Children will need to wear school uniform, as well as wellington boots and appropriate coats/jackets. Donations for the school trip need to be paid online by Monday 3<sup>rd</sup> February. Reminder for children to bring their reading books in to be changed, every Monday, Wednesday and Friday. Dosbarth 7 will be doing P.E every Friday afternoon, so please can all children bring their P.E kits with appropriate footwear for these sessions. Diolch!

**Dosbarth 9 & 10-** Reminder that the donations for the school trip to the Newport Wetlands need to be paid by Friday 7<sup>th</sup> February. The children will be attending a taster day at Abersychan Comprehensive school on Monday 10<sup>th</sup> February. Please can children in **Dosbarth 9** please bring wellies in every **Wednesday** as they will be taking part in Forest school sessions.

#### Dosbarth 11 & 12

A polite reminder that P.E kits need to be in school for a Monday morning. Can learning logs for Miss Williams' class please be returned to school on a Friday for us to update class dojo and see the lovely work you are producing, remember, be as creative as you like!

# Dosbarth 13 & 14

Swimming will continue until half-term. The Year 6 residential trip meeting for parents will be on Wednesday 12<sup>th</sup> February at 3.30pm