



TY'N Y WERN

# Newsletter



April 2024

## Attendance Matters

The class results of the Spring term attendance are as follows. We cannot express enough the importance that the children attend regularly and that any routine appointments are made outside of the school day.

Robins (Nursery & Reception) **91%**

Wrens (Year 1 & 2) **92%**

Swifts (Year 2) **94%**

Kingfishers (Year 3 & 4) **88%**

Bluebirds (Year 4) **93%**

Starlings (Year 5) **86%**

Owls (Year 5 & 6) **93%**

Kites (Year 5 & 6) **90%**

90% attendance =  
 $\frac{1}{2}$  day missed per week!

## Reading Festival

Thank you to everyone who attended our recent Reading Festival. The children thoroughly enjoyed sharing their love of reading with you. Thank you also to those who completed the survey, we have been analysing the results and will be in touch with those who are struggling to access Oxford Reading Buddies, at home. It is really important that your child accesses this in order to allow them to make progress in their reading as this allows them to access all areas of the curriculum. If you have any questions or concerns please contact asap.



We are pleased to announce that we came 2<sup>nd</sup> in our category in this years Big Walk and Wheel. The school that came third were very close to our percentage so we need to up our game next year! As a reward to all those who took part we have bought a set of bikes to be able to run group rides. GO TeamTYW!!!



## Help at Home!

Did you know that the average class size in Wales is 32 children to 1 teacher. As you can imagine this doesn't leave much scope for the teacher to work closely with each child. We desperately need your help in supporting your child at home especially with their reading. If a child is able to read competently then this enables them to access all areas of the curriculum. Your child has brought home a bookmark with the logins for all homework platforms including Reading Buddies and Timetable Rockstars. We are able to see which children are accessing these at home and will be discussing at parents evening. If you have any issues please contact us asap so that we can help.

## Cressa Miss Rees

The lovely Ms Rees has enjoyed her first week and has already become a welcomed addition to our Ty'n y Wern family. She will teach Year 2 alongside Mrs Howard for the remainder of the Summer term.

# Our Value for April is... **CREATIVITY**

Being creative in our thoughts and play will;

- Help us to solve problems more effectively
- Helps us to think outside the box
- Helps us to communicate better
- Helps to reduce stress and find relaxation
- Helps us to adapt to change

Some of the things that can help us to be more creative are – travel, watch funny content, get active or do something physical, listen to music, draw, doodle or sketch, keep a journal, meditate and lots more!



## **SPRING TERM DATES**

Date	Event	Who
08.04.24	First day of the Summer Term	Everyone
10.04.24	Duathlon Event Year 6 Pupils @ Heolddu Leisure Centre	TBC
11.04.24	Cardiff City Football Sessions	Juniors
12.04.24	Trip to the Theatre – Awful Auntie	Year 6 pupils
17.04.24	School Health Team - Vision and Growth Screening	Reception
17.04.24	Paul Thornburn (ex Wales rugby player) to visit	Year 6 pupils
18.04.24	Heddlu Bach OAP Afternoon Tea & Sing and Smile session	OAPs
26.04.24	PC Madley – Internet Safety	Year 3
26.04.24	PC Madley – It's your choice	Year 6
12.05.24	Caerphilly 5K Race	Everyone
20.05.24	Walk to school week	Everyone
27.05.24	HALF TERM HOLIDAY	Everyone
03.06.24	INSET WEEK – School closed to pupils	Everyone
14.06.24	Sports Day (Weather Permitting)	Everyone
21.06.24	Cluster Sports	TBC
22.06.24	Gwyl Plant Cymru – Welsh Folk Dancing Festival	TBC
24.06.24	3 weeks of swimming starts	Years 4, 5 & 6
29.06.24	Headteacher from James Makobalo School, Lesotho arrives	n/a
05.07.24	Residential Trip to Llangrannog	Year 6
10.07.24	Cluster Eisteddfod @ Bedwas High School	TBC
19.07.24	Last Day of Term	Everyone

We will be hosting a memorial concert at Bedwas Workmen's Hall on Thursday 4<sup>th</sup> July at 5.30pm. This will celebrate our link with James Makhobalo Primary School in Lesotho and the memory of our lovely Mr Williams. Further details to follow.

## **HOLIDAYS 2024**

**EASTER** – Monday 25<sup>th</sup> March to Friday 5<sup>th</sup> April (2 weeks)

**WHITSUN** – Monday 27<sup>th</sup> May – Friday 31<sup>st</sup> May plus INSET week (2 weeks)

Don't forget to complete a holiday form if you are taking your child out of school during term time. Holidays will not be authorised if your child's attendance falls below 95% as this is the agreed cluster policy. Please try to take advantage of the INSET week.

We are always very busy. So that you don't miss anything please make sure that you join our communication platforms;



We also have our own website where all our planning and information is stored.

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