



Ysgol Llanfaes

Llanfaes School

Newsletter

September 2019



Diary Dates

September

13th – WOW Day Foundation Phase
18th – Literacy/Numeracy Workshop
Early Years

October

4th – Choir to sing with Aberhonddu
Choir at evening concert in Church.
Details will follow
9th – School Photo
18th – Y5&6 Visit to Big Pit
24th – Harvest Festival 1.30pm
25th – NON PUPIL DAY
Half Term – 28th Oct -1st Nov

November

4th – Pupils return
7th – Flu Vaccine (Foundation Phase)
7th – 13th – Bookfair
15th – Children in Need Day
28th – Christmas Fayre 3.15pm

December

13th Christmas Jumper Day
20th – Pupil'

Spring Term

Pupils return on Tuesday, Jan 7th.

Croeso Nol!

A warm welcome back to everyone! We all hope that you have had an enjoyable summer holiday and are looking forward to the school year ahead. We would like to extend a very warm welcome to the new children who have joined us in various year groups we are sure they will be very happy at Llanfaes.

As always the term ahead is already busy as you can see from the 'Dates to Keep' section. We look forward to working with you during the year to ensure the very best for the children. May I remind you that, at all times, we operate an **'open door' policy** and welcome parents speaking with staff to ensure that all children are happy and therefore learning. It is always much better to come and chat than to worry about anything – no matter how small.

Zulu Royal Visit provides wonderful end of term!!



A damp day could not spoil a wonderful visit by Zulu princes and princesses on the last day of term! It was a pleasure and privilege to

welcome them, together with Kirsty Williams, Welsh Cabinet Minister for Education, Steve Davies, Director of Education for Wales and members of the Regimental Museum. The children welcomed the visitors enthusiastically and then provided them with an engaging, enjoyable and informative assembly. This included elements of Welsh culture through singing and dancing together with Year 5 sharing their plastics song as a result of their new approach to learning. It was reciprocal though as the Princes and Princesses taught us songs and also sang for us! Our visitors then visited Reception class, Camau Bach and Year 1 followed by a time on the yard during breaktime. The aim is to establish on going links between our school and Queen Mpumi's school in Natal. This will greatly enhance our children's understanding of global citizenship through a purposeful strategy. It was certainly a last day of term to remember for everyone!



Pupil Absences Reminder



Please remember that **all** pupil absences must be reported to school before 10am, **a reason for the absence** also

needs to be given as the absence will be marked as unauthorised otherwise. Where no reason is given, the school will make contact for a reason by phone or text. *The Education Welfare Officer periodically checks registers and may contact parents where there are unauthorised or excessive absences or continual late marks i.e after 9.10 am.*



Friends of Llanfaes

As you know, the work of the Friends is critical to helping the school provide a wide range of experiences and resources for the children. The new outdoor learning resources have been partially funded by monies raised through Friend's activities. Without the efforts of the Friends so much would not be possible. If anyone can help at any events please let us know. You don't have to attend meetings but knowing there are willing hands really helps!! Thank you.

Health Reminder - 48 hour rule

- Please remember, if your child is sick or has diarrhoea they must remain absent from school until there has been a clear period of 48 hours (in any episodes) to prevent passing on any illness to others.



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www.llanfaes.powys.sch.uk.

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Wigmore/Woods Perpetual Cup for Sporting Achievement

This cup was awarded at the end of term to OLIVIA ELLIS. Oliva was outstanding at various sports and represented the school in many very successful teams including hockey, netball, cricket and football. She was often heard encouraging others, demonstrating a positive attitude and showing sportsmanship. A wonderful role model for others. Many congratulations – we are sure your sporting successes will continue.

Marilyn Robert's Perpetual Cup for Citizenship

The winner of the Marilyn Robert's Cup - given for exemplary contribution to the school, showing leadership qualities, demonstrating great empathy towards others and having a willingness to improve in that they do was MILLY MORRIS . She fulfilled every criterion fully during her time at Llanfaes, contributing consistently and enthusiastically in all spheres of school Milly was a real 'doer' and organiser. Many congratulations and thanks to Milly!



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Year 5 & 6 Memory Walk for Dementia – 27th Sept



Once again this year, our Year 5 and 6 pupils will be undertaking a Memory Walk to raise money for Brecon

Dementia Group. We remain proud to be a dementia friendly school which includes our weekly visits to Trenewydd. Pleasingly, many schools have followed our lead. Dementia, sadly, is statistically increasing and will be very much a factor in the lives of our children as they grow up. By 2040 it is predicted that 1.2 million people will be living with the illness. Educating our pupils to be caring citizens is critical and our dementia work is part of this. More details will be shared soon, but please try and support the children in their efforts by sponsoring them – even £1 makes a difference! All monies raised will be used to help sufferers and their carers in our local community. Thank you.

Are you entitled to claim Free School Meals?

If you are in receipt of any of the following you are entitled to claim Free School Meals for your child.

- Income Support
- Income Based Jobseeker's Allowance
- Support under Part 6 of the Immigration & Asylum Act 1999
- Child Tax Credit - providing Working Tax Credit is not also received and the family's income does not exceed £16190

- Income Related Employment and Support Allowance
- Guarantee element of the State Pension Credit and
- Universal Credit (dependent on means testing and other income)

Claiming is easy and confidential - you don't have to tell the school. If your child decides to have the school meal on any day they just have the meal provided and the system we use means it is impossible for other pupils to know who is receiving free school meals. If you register for free school meals, even if your child decides never to have a school lunch, you can:

- save up to £400 a year for each primary school child
- help the school to benefit from funding because you have registered
- registering for Free School Meals might also qualify you for other help and assistance.



If you want any help ring the Awards Section in County on 01597 827462 or e mail breconawards@powys.gov.uk