



Creunant Primary News



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Dear Parents,

The school year is passing us by quickly and staff and pupils are busy enjoying many exciting activities planned for the end of the school year. Thank you to all of the staff who supported a great day out at the beach with classes 1 and 2 this week. To use Dougie's words the trip was "The best day ever!". Hopefully classes 3 and 4 will get better weather for their new date on 28th June. Unfortunately this takes up our planned date for the second attempt at Sports Day but the dates for the trip are limited to days when the tide will be out far enough for the pupils to complete their activities.

A lot of careful planning is being done for the pupils to transition into their new classes in September. As most of you are probably aware Mrs. Johnson will be retiring at the end of this academic year. Mrs. Johnson has been at the school for 31 years and I am sure that she will be greatly missed. Filling her shoes has been a big task to undertake however I am very pleased to let you know that Mr. David Allen has been appointed to teach Class 4 in September. I am extremely pleased with the appointment as Mr. Allen is an experienced teacher with a keen background in sports and ICT. In an Estyn inspection his teaching of ICT was highlighted and identified as good practice and shared in an Estyn thematic report. Mr. Allen will also be taking on the role of Additional Needs Coordinator.

The pupils will get the chance to spend two days with their new teacher at the beginning of July. The year groups within each class will remain the same as this year. Once again we have a mixed year 2 / 3 class however this class will benefit from having just 22 pupils in it. Pupils will be told about their new classes when they get to meet their new teachers on the transition day in July.

Mrs. Jones will teach nursery.

Mrs. Thomas will teach Class 1 with Reception and Year 1 pupils.

Mrs. Davies will teach Class 2 with Year 2 and Year 3 pupils.

Mrs. Williams will teach Class 3 with Year 4 and Year 5 pupils.

Mr. Allen will teach Class 4 with Year 5 and Year 6 pupils.

It has been unfortunate that over the past few years there have been many changes in staff however I am now hopeful that we have reached a stable staffing structure with excellent teachers and teaching assistants who are all dedicated to support your children and move their learning forward.

Mrs. M Teague. (Head Teacher)



Seren y Pythefnos



Meithrinfa: Dexter Allen & Oscar Yates Hand

Dosbarth 1: Ava Jones & Jacob Charlton

Dosbarth 2: Gwenllian Hart & Marcus Mesropean

Dosbarth 3: Ella Flew & Leo Davies

Dosbarth 4: Thomas Furber & Megan Thomas



Siaradwr Cymraeg



Meithrinfa: Evan Walpole

Dosbarth 1: Grace Williams

Dosbarth 2: Hannah Thomas

Dosbarth 3: Jay Christie

Dosbarth 4: Ava Louise Williams



Criw Cymraeg



Our topic this

Summer term is The Beach - Y traeth.

Talk about what you like at the beach with your child:

Dw i'n hoffi... I like...

bwyta hufen iâ - eating ice-cream,

nofio yn y môr - swimming in the sea,

adeiladu castell tywod - building sandcastles, chwarae pêl

droed - playing football,

ymylacio mewn cadair draeth - relaxing in a beach chair,

chwarae yn y pwll roc - playing in a rock pool,

casglu cregyn - collecting shells,

mynd i gwch - going in a boat,

chwilio am grancod - searching for crabs.

☺ Have fun sharing your likes! ☺

Nursery – Mrs. Dorianne Law

This is an exciting half term for morning nursery, with preparing for autumn term and full time school.

At present, they are joining reception for a maths fun hour each week and also 'getting to know Mrs Thomas'.

Also, the children are enthusiastic about the forthcoming sports day. We have been practising running, balancing a bean bag and welly throwing.

Looking forward to seeing you for Nursery's sports event on the morning of June 21st.

Class 1 – Mrs. Catherine Thomas

We have been writing about our news over half term using 'hold a sentence' and our 'Fred Fingers'.

In Reception we have been practicing adding up and counting in 2's. In Year 1 we have been practicing adding up coins and finding change from 10p.

In Reception we have been sorting pictures of the seaside into the past and the present in small groups. In Year 1 we have been writing about similarities and differences at the seaside in the past and in the present.

We have been finding out about light sources. We read 'Shark in the Dark' and followed instructions to make our own shadow puppets.

In Welsh in Year 1 we have been learning seaside vocabulary and in Reception we have been learning vocabulary about clothing.

Class 2 – Mrs. Donna Davies

We are really enjoying our new topic 'the Beach'. We all thoroughly enjoyed dissecting a squid, learning facts and naming parts of its body. In Language, we have written and illustrated a 'best copy' of our Sea creature poems. We wrote a reply letter to Tom, as we received a 'message in a bottle' from him. We have started our 'Magic Brush' stories, by drawing story maps and innovation tables. Please read our stories on HWB - Word. In Maths, we have practised symmetry using mirrors to help, adding and subtracting, reading marked and unmarked scales. In Welsh, we have enjoyed reading stories about the beach, learning new 'beach' vocabulary. We wrote about our 'likes', for example: Dw i'n hoffi hufen iâ - I like ice-cream. We all enjoyed our walk down to the river, to skim stones and choose a pebble to paint our sea creatures on. We have drawn our sea creature designs and coloured them in. We have also been practising for our Sports Day, skipping, running, bean-bag, egg and spoon and sack races.

Thank you for your continued support. ☺

Class 3 – Mr. Darren Richards

Well the final term of the year is upon us and the children have all been working incredibly hard over the course of the year. The children are coming to the end of writing their explanation text on how sand is formed and how plastic is made, both of which they have really enjoyed. In maths, the children have been looking at how inverse operations work in order to check their answers before we look at going on to shape. There are only a few weeks left so let's make sure we continue to push ourselves right until the very end. Keep it up Class 3!

Class 4 – Mrs. Gaynor Johnson

Well, welcome to the last half term of the year! I am so proud of the development of the pupils and their growing confidence and independence in their work now. They are working on explanation writing, describing how plastics are made and looking at the problems behind plastic recycling and manufacturing. They are also looking at how sand is formed. They have used atlases and maps on the internet to find the largest seas and oceans and compared temperatures using positive and negative numbers. Also in Maths, pupils have investigated area, perimeter and volume of shapes. In Welsh, they have been completing their postcards using different verb past tenses. Please keep practicing tables! ☺