

Blaendulais News

"Making a Difference"

Playground Improvements

One of the first things I was asked when walking through the door in January 2017 was, 'Can you sort our yard out? It's boring!' Well, it's taken a little time, but we now have a new 'Activity Wall' with goal posts, basketball hoops, cricket stumps and climbing grips! This project has been primarily funded by a Welsh Government Grant via NPT Playheroes - a big 'thank you' to Daniel Griffin for facilitating the grant! We are very hopeful that the development will make pupil's playtime more enjoyable and help the increase in positive behaviour. Can I ask you to help to keep an eye on the area after hours? We want it to be something the school can be proud of for years to come! Diolch.

Early Years Improvements

The Early Years (Nursery/Reception) Outdoor Provision area is also receiving a 'mini-makeover' with Writing, Numeracy & Building Sheds being delivered over the next few days/weeks. In a similar vein to the Key Stage 2 Yard, if you live nearby the Early Years Building, please keep an eye out and report any anti-social behaviour occurring in, or around, the school grounds!

Cornerstones Curriculum

The teachers and support staff have been busily learning all about our new curriculum which is due to be rolled out after Easter. Please Google, 'Cornerstones Curriculum' for further information.

INSET Days - Thursday, 29th March 2018



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Arriving at School

A polite reminder...

We ask that all pupils arrive at school for a prompt 8.50am start.

If your child arrives later than 9.15am (registers close), they must be signed in at the main building (Junior Building). This ensures that the school is aware they are present in school.



Attendance

Our school attendance has declined of late, and is below our target at **94.39%**. In order to provide your child with the best possible education, please ensure you aim for at least **95%** attendance. We work closely with our EWO (Education Welfare Officer) to support all pupils whose attendance drops below 90%. If your child is absent due to illness etc, please inform the school as soon as possible.

Healthy Lunch Boxes

Please provide your children with healthy food at lunch time. It really does help them perform better in school, plus develop healthy habits for life!

Dinner Money

Dinner money must be paid for the week on Monday - £2.30 per day or £11.50 per week. Any credit will be returned the following week. **If dinner money is unpaid, then a healthy packed lunch must be provided.**

Dates for the Diary...

14/03/18	-	Design to Smile - Reception Class
15/03/18	-	Class Assembly - Year 3/4 (10.15am)
16/03/18	-	Height, Weight Screening - Reception Class
21/03/18	-	Reaching Wider - Year 5/6 visit Swansea University
21/03/18	-	Reverend Liz Assembly
22/03/18	-	Cefn Coed Museum Roadshow @ Blaendulais Primary
22/03/18	-	Class Assembly - LSC1 (2.30pm)
23, 26, 28/03/18	-	Spectrum Project w/Year 4/5 Pupils
27/03/18	-	Governing Body Meeting
28/03/18	-	Easter Bonnet Parade (2.00pm)
29/03/18	-	INSET Day (3 of 5)
30/03/18	-	Good Friday (No School)



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