

Blaendulais News

"Making a Difference"

Croeso nol!

Welcome back everyone! I sincerely hope you all had a relaxing and rewarding summer break with your families. Six weeks really does fly when you are having fun!

The school is settling back in to the swing of things following an extremely successful 2018/19. All the pupils have been trying their very best for their new teachers - we have been very proud of them all!

Information regarding the term can be found on the school's website and via regular letters home. 'Meet the teacher' meetings are due to take place very soon.

Friends of Blaendulais - PTA Group

Following many events run by kindhearted parents, guardians and school staff, Mrs K Evans has offered to lead the reintroduction of the 'Friends of Blaendulais' group. **The first meeting will take place on Tuesday, 10th September 2019 at 2.30pm in the Junior Library.** If you feel you can help in any small way, please come along and help us make a real difference for the children.

Uniform

The children have looked fantastic - returning to school looking like little models! Please can I ask we keep this up - it makes a real difference to pupils attitude to learning and impresses everyone who visits our school. **If pupils forget to wear school uniform, spare jumpers will be offered to ensure they look part of the team.**

Standards

We have talked at length about the expectations and standards of our children. For the benefit of all, we will be demanding even higher standards again this year - presentation, effort, behaviour and of course fun!

Dinner Money

NPT have advised schools that dinner money is to rise to **£11.75 per week** from September 2019. If you are eligible for Free School Meals, please contact Mrs Cross for an application form.

Class Structure 2019/20

LSC1 - Mrs
Totterdale

LSC2 - Mrs Williams

Early Years -
Mrs Timmins/Mrs
Rudge

Year 1/2 - Mr Curtis

Year 3/4/5 - Mrs
Wheadon (Deputy
Head)

Year 5/6 - Mrs Jones



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Attendance

Whilst we understand that children do become ill now and again, developing good habits at an early age is imperative - regular attendance at school is part of this. Governors have asked that the school keeps a close eye on attendance, and as a result, all pupils below 95% will be issued with NPT advisory letters. Pupils attending below 90% will be subject to Education Welfare Officer (EWO) referrals. Of course, school will celebrate high attenders in end-of-term assemblies and be rewarded for their efforts!

Showman's Guild - Neath Fair

A huge 'Thank You' to the Showman's Guild for providing our pupils with tickets to this year's Neath Fair - they will be with you very soon. The Guild have also provided Mrs Williams' class with a visit to the fairground next Friday - diolch!

Diary Dates

10.09.19	-	'Friends of Blaendulais' Meeting - 2.30pm, Junior Library
11.09.19	-	'Bailey the Dog' visits Dosbarth Mrs Williams
13.09.19	-	LSC2 Visit to Neath Fair
23.09.19	-	Wales v. Georgia - Rugby World Cup
24.09.19	-	Hearing, Screening Retests - Year 1
27.09.19	-	Bike & Scooter sessions with Ms. Lyons
04.10.19	-	Road Safety sessions with Ms. Lyons
09.10.19	-	Wales v. Fiji - Rugby World Cup
23.10.19	-	Road Safety Quiz - Year 6 pupils
28.10.19	-	Half Term Break

... more dates to be arranged.



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