



Annwyl Pawb

What a great time the children from Beech Class and 3@Cradoc had at Theatre Brycheiniog last Friday when they went to see The Emperor's New Clothes. This was the first time the cast had performed for a school group and by all accounts it was an excellent performance, exactly the right length for the younger children, who all participated very enthusiastically. Thanks to all the adult volunteers for going with them.

Well done to all those children that participated in the Cross Country Event at Penlan last Saturday. Despite the cold, the runners all joined in with great cheer and very rosy cheeks!

On a more poignant note, we held our Christmas Tree Dedication Service on Monday morning. It was quite a moving event where we remembered family, friends and pets both past and present and sent messages of good luck to members of our own community and those further afield. Thank you for the generous donations and especial thanks to Elaine and Katy for preparing all the Certificates.

Can I remind everyone that children should not be bringing mobile phones into school. They are very distracting in lessons (even from the cloakrooms) and a child protection risk. In the event that this is unavoidable, the phones must be handed to the office at the start of the day and can be collected as the children leave. Children have absolutely no need to be using phones at school during the school day as any emergency contacts etc will be done by the school office. Thank you for your support with this.

Please note the sport clubs will be stopping until the New Year. Will advise when they recommence and this week will be the last Shake, Rattle & Roll until the New Year.

Finally, we formally welcomed two new Governors to their first Governors meeting last night. Katy Cherrington has joined us as a Community Governor and Rebecca Watkins as a Local Authority Governor. Thanks to you both for your commitment to the school. Governors play an important part to play in raising school standards. They set the school's vision, ethos and strategic direction, monitor and evaluate the school's performance and oversee the financial performance of the school, making sure its money is well spent. We have one vacancy for a Parent Governor and I hope you have received a letter regarding this during the week. If you would like to know more about this, please speak to one of the Governors (see back page), or ask at the school office.

Cofion/regards - Judith Morris

**Winter School Dinner Menu - Week 1**

Day	Main Meal	Vegetarian Option
Monday	Salmon fillet	Glamorgan Sausage
Tuesday	Chicken in Gravy	Veg Curry/Quorn in Gravy
Wednes	Beef Chilli & Rice	Vegetable chilli
Thursday	Roast Beef & Yorkshire	Broccoli and Cheese Bake
Friday	Fish finger/Fishcake,	Cheese & Onion Quiche

Jacket potato, salad bar and puddings available daily.

**Cornel Cymraeg / Welsh Corner**

Words this time relate to **expressing opinions**.

GEIRFA (GUYRFA)	VOCAB
Beth wyt ti'n hoffi yn y llun	What do you like in the picture (sing)
Beth ydych chi'n hoffi yn y llun	What do you like in the picture (plural)
Wyt ti'n hoffi'r gerdd?	Do you like the poem?
Pam?	Why?
Mae'n dda	Its good
Mae'n hwyl	Its fun
Mae'n ddoniol	It's funny

A pronunciation guide can be found at [http://www.learn-welsh.net/welshvocabulary?topic=Numbers%20-%20to%20100%20\(2\)&level=primary](http://www.learn-welsh.net/welshvocabulary?topic=Numbers%20-%20to%20100%20(2)&level=primary)



Congratulations to the winners of our November 100 Club draw which took place at the Christmas Tree Dedication

Service this week.

1st Prize	£38	Peter Watton
2nd Prize	£19	Andrea Guerin
3rd Prize	£9.50	Eileen Barton

**SIGN UP NOW TO ENTER THE DECEMBER DRAW – the last this year!!!**

Ask any PTA member or the school office.

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Have you seen the Friends of Cradoc

School (PTA) Facebook page? Regular updates going on about PTA and school events. It is a closed and moderated page and all family, friends, staff and Governors of Cradoc are welcome to join.

As we mentioned last week, this year we are making up **themed class hampers**.

We would be grateful for donations of the following please:

- Beech Class : Toys
- Elm Class : Chocolate
- Hazel Class : Toiletries
- Lime Class : Christmas (eg crackers, baubles)
- Oak Class : Savoury
- School staff : Alcohol (great allocation!!!)

You should have received the Christmas Draw tickets.

Please could you return sold and unsold tickets to school by Tuesday 13<sup>th</sup> December. If you need more, please ask at the office.



Gold Awards Winners







Crŵ Cymraeg	Eleri Isaac	
Class Attendance Award	Elm	
Beech	Halle & Alice	For their enthusiastic attitude to learning
Elm	Maimie Peter	For including full stops, exclamation marks and question marks in her letter to Santa For improved handwriting
Hazel	Evie Michael	For always showing excellent listening and always being the best she can be For his diary reading comprehension
Lime	Will H & Teji	For a great effort in class and rehearsals at all times
Oak	None	
Special Award	Thomas P	For a great effort in Welsh this week

**MATHS OF THE MONTH (DECEMBER) : TIMES TABLES**

This month we are having a real push on trying to improve times tables. They are a foundation for so much work in maths and in general calculations. We set out below a guideline but please check your child's pick'n'mix homework for further ideas. Thanks for your support.

YN	I can compare and order numbers to at least 5.
YR	I can compare and order numbers up to at least 10.
Y1	I can count in 2s 5s and 10s
Y2	I can remember and use 2, 5 and 10 multiplication tables.
Y3	I can recall 2, 3, 4, 5 and 10 multiplication tables
Y4	I can recall 3, 4, 6 and 8 multiplication tables
Y5	I can recall 6, 8, 7 and 9 multiplication tables
Y6	I can recall all multiplication tables up to 10 x 10, in any order and mixed up!

**DIARY:**

Monday Dec 5	Tuesday Dec 6 10am George's Marvellous Medicine at Theatre PM : Choir singing at Bronllys Hospital 	Wednesday Dec 7	Thursday Dec 8	Friday Dec 9 Choir singing in Brecon and at Mountains Nursing Home Swimming Hazel & Y2s 	
Monday Dec 12	Tuesday Dec 13 Christmas Parties 	Wednesday Dec 14 Christmas Dinner 	Thursday Dec 15 10am & 6pm Christmas Concert at Brecon High  100 Club Draw	Friday Dec 16 NO SWIMMING Toy Day – children can bring in games to play with friends – no electricals KIDS CLUB FINISHES AT 5PM 	
Monday Dec 19 Holidays	Tuesday Dec 20 Christmas Holidays	Wednesday Dec 21 Christmas Holidays	Thursday Dec 22 Christmas Holidays	Friday Dec 23 Christmas Holidays	
Monday Dec 26 Christmas Holidays	Tuesday Dec 27 Christmas Holidays	Wednesday Dec 28 Christmas Holidays	Thursday Dec 29 Christmas Holidays	Friday Dec 30 Christmas Holidays	
Monday Jan 2 BANK HOLIDAY	Tuesday Jan 3 INSET DAY	Wednesday Jan 4	Thursday Jan 5	Friday Jan 6	
Monday Jan 9	Tuesday Jan 10 Powys Dance working with each year group	Wednesday Jan 11	Thursday Jan 12	Friday Jan 13	
Monday Jan 16	Tuesday Jan 17	Wednesday Jan 18	Thursday Jan 19	Friday Jan 20	
Monday Jan 23	Tuesday Jan 24	Wednesday Jan 25	Thursday Jan 26	Friday Jan 27	Sunday 29th Refugee Day
Monday Jan 30	Tuesday Jan 31	Wednesday Feb 1	Thursday Feb 2	Friday Feb 3	
Monday Feb 6	Tuesday Feb 7	Wednesday Feb 8	Thursday Feb 9	Friday Feb 10	
Monday Feb 13	Tuesday Feb 14	Wednesday Feb 15	Thursday Feb 16 6.30 Cradoc's got talent (PTA)	Friday Feb 17 INSET DAY	
Monday Feb 20 Half Term	Tuesday Feb 21 Half Term	Wednesday Feb 22 Half Term	Thursday Feb 23 Half Term	Friday Feb 24 Half Term	

Local Authority Governors	Parent Governors	Community Governors	Staff Governors
Gillian Thomas (Chair)	Emma Prosser (Vice-Chair)	Sue Goodhead	Beth Roberts
Ade Cavanagh	Cath Wilson	Tina Millard	Annette Morris
Rebecca Watkins	Julia Bignall	Katy Cherrington	Judith Morris
Malcolm Roberts (Minor Authority)	VACANCY		Liz Davies (Clerk)

