



Annwyl Pawb

A very big THANK YOU to all the children, parents, grandparents, staff and their spouses, governors and friends who came along on Saturday to help with the Grand Family Spring Clean of the school and grounds. See the photos at <http://www.cradoc.powys.sch.uk/>

The weather was fantastic and everyone worked so hard, leaving the school and grounds looking so much better. Special thanks to Jackie Oliphant for kindly and capably undertaking the arrangements. Several parents have asked how they can help and Jackie is proposing another session for Sunday 15<sup>th</sup> May. Further details to follow next week.

National Tests start on Wednesday 4<sup>th</sup> and continue until Tuesday 10<sup>th</sup> May. The children often find these quiet stressful despite our trying to confirm that doing their best is all we ask. Please try to make the most of the weekend and ensure the children have a good rest so that they feel refreshed and able to do their best.

We are planning to make sure the children get an opportunity to let off steam between tests so please can you make sure your child has their PE kit in school every day for the next two weeks, as we are likely to have active afternoons!

Have a good bank holiday Monday and look forward to seeing you on Tuesday.

Cofion/regards  
Judith Morris

**School Dinners - Week 1**

Day	Main Meal	Vegetarian Option	Accompaniments
Monday	Hawaiian Pizza	Cheese & Tomato Pizza	Wedges/Pasta, Beans/Spaghetti Hoops
Tuesday	Chicken and Veg in Yorkshire Pie/Chicken	Veg Pie or Quorn in Yorkshire	Mash/Rice, Veg
Wednes	Roast Pork	Vegetarian Cottage Pie	Mash & Roast Potato, Broccoli & Carrots/Salad
Thursday	Lasagne/ Bolognese	Vegetarian Lasagne/Bolognese	Garlic Bread, Peas & Sweetcorn
Friday	Fish Finger/Salmon Bake	Glamorgan Sausage	Chips/mash/pasta, beans/peas

Jacket potato, salad bar and puddings available daily.

**Cornel Cymraeg / Welsh Corner**

All of the words this time relate to our new menu.

GEIRFA (GUY R FA)	VOCAB
Dw i'n gwneud fy ngwely.	I make my bed
Dw i'n tacluso fy ystafell	I tidy my room
Dw i'n suchu'r llestri	I dry the dishes
Dw i'n hwrfo	I vacuum
Dw i'n mynd a'r ci am dro	I take the dog for a walk
Dw i'n golchi'r car	I wash the car
Dw i'n gosod y bwrdd	I lay the table
Dw i'n golchi'r llestri	I wash up



A pronunciation guide can be found at <http://www.learn-welsh.net/welshvocabulary?topic=Helping%20at%20home&level=secondary>

**There is no School Orchestra or school Choir next week.**

**3@Cradoc**

Mrs Davies is merrily taking bookings for 3@Cradoc for children to attend the setting in the afternoons and the sessions are beginning to fill up well.

If you would like to book afternoon sessions or extra hours, please speak to Mrs Davies.

As previously mentioned, places are now very limited in CoolKids and it is absolutely vital that you pre-book in order to secure your child's place. Until now we have been able to accept children on the day but this will be much more difficult in future and will be dependent on places being available.



CoolKids is now taking bookings for the Summer holidays and places are filling up fast. They will be open daily from 8am to 6pm throughout the holiday, until Friday 26th August. To book a place for your child in the Summer holiday club or in Breakfast or After School club, please telephone 07914886648 or email [coolkidscradoc@gmail.com](mailto:coolkidscradoc@gmail.com).

Thanks for your understanding.  
Jan Owen

**Gold Awards Winners**

Crŵ Cymraeg:	Syd Evans	
Beech	Peter Bradley	For working consistently well all week For working well with Mrs Owen
Elm	William Ellis	For staying on task completing all his work this week For improvement in handwriting
Hazel	William S & Sophie	For their consistent effort throughout the week
Lime	Zoe & Lucille	For stickability – well done girls, even though you got stuck you kept going!
Oak	Dylan & Mac	For really challenging and pushing themselves in their maths work

**MATHS OF THE MONTH (APRIL) – identify the appropriate steps and information needed to complete the task or reach a solution**

We set out below what a child is likely to be able to do in each year group. Please practice some of these with your child each week for this month. Thank you for your support.

YN	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>complete a task requiring several steps</li> </ul>
YR	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Practise ‘think aloud’ with an adult</li> <li>With support, represent the task or problem using pictures or concrete objects</li> </ul>
Y1	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Choose to ‘think aloud’ as a strategy for making sense of a problem – for understanding what needs to be done</li> <li>Represent the task or problem using pictures or concrete objects and talk about the similarities in the different representations – how different specific aspects of the task are represented in alternative ways – does it help me know what to do? What does it show me?</li> </ul>
Y2	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Choose to ‘think aloud’ as a strategy for making sense of a problem</li> <li>With support, identify ‘givens, goals and gaps’ – ‘what do they know?’, ‘what do they need to know?’, ‘how might they obtain that information?’</li> </ul>
Y3	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Talk about experiences (in a very wide range of everyday life and the pupil’s personal experiences) and knowledge that might be useful for the new problem</li> <li>Talk about how they will know when they have reached a solution</li> </ul>
Y4	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Describe and explain their decisions and solutions</li> <li>Suggest possible sources of data for an investigation</li> </ul>
Y5	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Choose to use a classification task as part of a problem solving strategy</li> <li>Reflect on the original problem when explaining the solution reached</li> </ul>
Y6	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Choose to use a classification task as part of a problem solving strategy</li> <li>With confidence, be able to justify their solution to a problem</li> </ul>
Ext	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Discuss how to tackle a substantial investigation or problem-solving task and formulate a simple plan</li> </ul>

**DIARY:**

Monday May 2 JM@ BANK HOLIDAY	Tuesday May 3 JM@C	Wednesday May 4 JM@IV <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Welsh National Tests start</li> </ul>	Thursday May 5 JM@C:	Friday May 6 JM@C <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Y1 &amp; Y5 Swimming</li> </ul>
Monday May 9 JM@IV	Tuesday May 10 JM@C <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Welsh National Tests finish</li> <li>Counter terrorism training (JM &amp; BR)</li> </ul>	Wednesday May 11 JM@C <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>School Council Consultation at Ysgol-y-Bannau (JM &amp; School Council)</li> </ul>	Thursday May 12 JM@IV	Friday May 13 JM@IV <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Y2 &amp; Y6 Swimming</li> <li>Buddy Bench Biscuit Bakeoff</li> </ul>
Monday May 16 JM@IV	Tuesday May 17 JM@IV <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Traffic awareness – Yr 5/6</li> </ul>	Wednesday May 18 JM@IV <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li></li> </ul>	Thursday May 19 JM@C <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Trip to Cantref (FP)</li> <li>School Council Meeting (JM&amp;EP)</li> </ul>	Friday May 20 JM@C <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Y2 &amp; Y6 Swimming</li> </ul>
Monday May 23 JM@C <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Y5&amp;Y6 to Staylitttle</li> </ul>	Tuesday May 24 JM@C <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Y5&amp;Y6 to Staylitttle</li> </ul>	Wednesday May 25 JM@C <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Y5&amp;Y6 to Staylitttle</li> </ul>	Thursday May 26 JM@IV <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>KS2 trip to Hay Festival</li> </ul>	Friday May 27 JM@IV <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>100 Club Draw</li> <li>Y2 &amp; Y6 Swimming</li> </ul>
Monday May 30 <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>HALF TERM</li> </ul>	Tuesday May 31 <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>HALF TERM</li> </ul>	Wednesday June 1 <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>HALF TERM</li> </ul>	Thursday June 2 <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>HALF TERM</li> </ul>	Friday June 3 <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>HALF TERM</li> </ul>
Monday June 6 JM@IV <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li></li> </ul>	Tuesday June 7 JM@C	Wednesday June 8 JM@IV <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li></li> </ul>	Thursday June 9 JM@C <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Grand Royal Birthday Party TBC?</li> </ul>	Friday June 10 JM@C <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Heads Conference</li> <li>Y2 &amp; Y6 Swimming</li> </ul>
Monday June 13 JM@IV	Tuesday June 14 JM@C <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Y1 phonic reading check</li> <li>3.30pm PTA</li> </ul>	Wednesday June 15 JM@IV <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Y1 phonic reading check</li> </ul>	Thursday June 16 JM@C <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>School Council Meeting (JM&amp;EP)</li> </ul>	Friday June 17 JM@IV <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Y2 &amp; Y6 Swimming</li> </ul>
Monday June 20 JM@IV <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>South Powys track &amp; field championships for Y5/6 (BR).</li> </ul>	Tuesday June 21 JM@C	Wednesday June 22 JM@IV	Thursday June 23 JM@C <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>3.45/5pm Staff Meeting:</li> </ul>	Friday June 24 JM@IV <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>100 Club Draw</li> <li>Y2 &amp; Y6 Swimming</li> </ul>
Monday June 27 JM@IV	Tuesday June 28 JM@C	Wednesday June 29 JM@IV	Thursday June 30 JM@C <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Sports Day</li> </ul>	Friday July 1 JM@C <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Y2 &amp; Y6 Swimming</li> </ul>
Monday July 4 JM@IV <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>BHS Y6 induction Day (1)</li> </ul>	Tuesday July 5 JM@C <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Pie Corbett Course @ Metropole (BP &amp; CH)</li> <li>BHS Y6 induction Day (2)</li> <li>BHS Parent Induction</li> </ul>	Wednesday July 6 JM@IV <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li></li> </ul>	Thursday July 7 JM@C <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Summer Fayre</li> </ul>	Friday July 8 JM@C <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Y2 &amp; Y6 Swimming</li> </ul>
Monday July 11 JM@IV	Tuesday July 12 JM@C <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li></li> </ul>	Wednesday July 13 JM@IV	Thursday July 14 JM@C <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>School Council Meeting (JM&amp;EP)</li> </ul>	Friday July 15 JM@IV <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>100 Club Draw</li> <li>Children break up</li> </ul>