

Croeso i  
Blwyddyn 4

Welcome to  
Year 4

# The Beginning and End of the Day

- School begins at 08:40 and ends at 15:20 for Y4 children. Please try to be on time and ensure that you know what entrance to collect and drop off your child.
- The entrance and exit for Y4 children is the side door next to the garage, unless they are on a bus or breakfast club.
- Parents must line up the hill and adhere to social distancing rules in order to keep us all safe. The teacher will send your child to you once we have seen that you are there.
- It is extremely important to make sure that your child knows whether they are going on a bus at the end of the day or not. If there are any changes during the day, please inform the school office staff.

# Organising the Learning

- There is a new curriculum that will be launched in Wales in 2022 that we are embedding into our teaching and learning. It is designed to improve and develop children's thinking skills and independence.
- Teaching assistants work within the class whilst other teaching staff are also used to deliver intervention programmes to children needing more specific support.
- Smaller groups ensure the children with the greatest needs receive the support they need in order to succeed.
- The children work on a variety of tasks individually, in pairs and as part of a group. Sometimes this will be ability groupings or mixed ability.

# Children's Planners

- At the moment, children's planners should be brought into school on Friday only and taken home on Mondays.
- The Home School Agreement and other consent forms are in the home school diary. Please ensure that these are read and signed.
- Spellings, reading and homework will be recorded in the planners.
- Logins- Hwb, mymaths.com and readingeggs.com are recorded in planners.
- Notes for the teacher can sent in with your child or please contact the school by phone or e-mail.
- End of day arrangements- Please notify the school regarding buses and keep to the designated entrances and exits for your child's year group.

# Learning at home

## Expected:

- Please inform us if your child does not have access to digital equipment at home. Digital equipment could be a laptop, PC, i-pad or a tablet.
- English/Topic homework is given on Monday and should be completed by Friday.
- Maths homework is given on Friday and should be completed by Monday.
- Spellings are usually given on Monday and a test is carried out on Friday.
- Homework can be set digitally, on MyMaths or HWB, or on paper. Please let us know if your child has any problems logging on to My Maths or HWB.

# Learning at home continued...

- Children should be reading at home 3 times a week or more. They can read their school book or a book of their choice. It is important to question your child and discuss what they have read to ensure their understanding.
- Please check the homework box in the home/school diary to see the tasks.
- If homework is not handed in three times in a row, you will be informed.
- Please support your child with home learning and if you have any queries about a homework task, please write a note in the home school planner before the due date.

# Extras (further learning)

Extras (further opportunities for learning at home):

- Times Tables Rock Stars
- Reading Eggs
- My Maths
- HWB - J2E, Office 365
- Tynker

# Reading

- Guided Reading - a carousel of group reading activities, in class time, linked to reading behaviours and skills.
- Individual Reading - one to one reading with an adult in the class.
- Home Reading- Please read with your child at home at least 3 times a week. The reading stamps reward scheme is continuing!
- An adult in the class will check your child's understanding of their current home/school reading book before changing to a new one, to ensure progression.



# PE

- On Thursday's ( Y4 PE day), children should come into school wearing their PE kit, in order to avoid changing time and adult assistance.
- Trainers, black joggers/leggings/shorts and a St Joseph's white polo shirt should be worn.
- No jewellery should be worn on these days.
- Please tie long hair back.
- Your child will stay in their PE kit on Thursday's, so there is no need to pack usual uniform on this day.
- All children are expected to participate in PE sessions, unless there is a medical exception. A note to the teacher is needed to explain this.

# Reminders

- Punctuality – Please remember to be on time for the start and end of the school day to avoid crowds and ensure safe entry and exiting.
- Please adhere to social distancing rules when waiting for your child to enter and exit the school building.
- If you have any queries or need to contact your child's teacher, please contact the school office as we cannot allow parents or carers into the school building at this time.
- Labelling – Please clearly label your child's school uniform and belongings.

# Reminders continued...

- If you are sending cash into school, please ensure that it is an envelope, clearly labelled with the name, class and amount. Most payments are encouraged to be made through Squid.
- Medication - If your child requires prescribed medication, please request a medication administration form from the school office.
- Please ensure that asthma pumps and epi-pens are in date and in school, if needed during the day.
- Please check your child's hair regularly and tie it back where possible.
- Please update your personal information with the school office. Ensure that the correct contact details are available in case of emergency or illness.

# Llangrannog Residential

- We are waiting to hear about possible dates and what the trip will look like this year in terms of health and safety.
- We usually visit Llangrannog for three days in June.
- As soon as we have further information regarding the residential trip, we will notify you.

# We are confident your child will enjoy their time in Y4.

We always encourage the children to communicate any worries or problems with us during the school day. If you do feel that you would like to speak with your child's teacher, please contact the school office to make an appointment. These appointments will be via phone call for the time being.

## Thank you for your continued support.