



Dear Parents / Guardians,

I hope that this newsletter finds you well?! We are quickly approaching that time of year when school life is very busy for the children (even more so than usual). They will be working hard to prepare for concerts and take part in school events, all whilst trying to maintain the high levels of work in class. We know that you will support them and encourage them through all they undertake.

Please take note of the important dates and information below, regarding this busy period. If you have any concerns, queries or questions please do come in and see us.

Kind regards,
Mr. L. Cox



UNCRC Right of the Month

School Aim of the Month



Article 14:
The right to follow your own religion



"All different, all equal"

PTA Halloween Disco

I would like to say thank you again to all who gave up their time to support the PTA Halloween disco. We were overwhelmed by the amount of children, parents and carers who were in attendance.



These activities are thoroughly enjoyed by the children - and this was clearly the case last week. The events are also good opportunities to raise much needed funds for the school. We are thrilled that we managed to raise £250, which will be used towards addressing some of our School Council priorities for this year.

Christmas Concerts

The details for our Christmas concerts are as follows:

Friday December 6 th	9.45am	Foundation Phase (Rec-Y2) Dress Rehearsal Grandparents and Governors welcome
Friday December 6 th	1.45pm	Key Stage 2 (Y3-Y6) Dress Rehearsal Grandparents and Governors welcome
Monday December 9 th	1.30pm	Foundation Phase (Rec-Y2) Concert 1 Families welcome
Monday December 9 th	5.00pm	Key Stage 2 (Y3-Y6) Concert 1 Families welcome
Tuesday December 10 th	1.30pm	Key Stage 2 (Y3-Y6) Concert 2 Families welcome
Tuesday December 10 th	5.00pm	Foundation Phase (Rec-Y2) Concert 2 Families welcome
Wednesday December 11 th	9.30am	Nursery Concert Families welcome

As in previous years, grandparents are invited to join us for our dress rehearsals. Entry to this will be free, but strictly limited to two seats per family.

All other concerts are open to families. Tickets to these will be priced at £2 each, and will again be strictly limited to two tickets per family, per performance.

If there are any spare tickets after this, we will inform you and they will be sold on a first come, first served basis.

Information on scripts, costumes, etc will be shared with you by your child's class teacher, via Class Dojo.

Parent Teacher Consultations

There will be opportunities for you to come and speak to your child's class teacher on Monday November 25th and Tuesday November 26th.

The evenings will follow a similar format to last year, where all meetings will take place in the school hall, beginning at 2.30pm. Children will be dismissed from class at 3.20pm as normal.

Time sheets will be placed in class windows from Monday - parents are asked to put their child's name next to an appropriate time. For all those who are unable to do so, please contact your child's class teacher or the school office.

Morning drop off

Of late, we have begun to have instances of children being left in the yard by parents, unsupervised, before there are members of staff on duty. Also, we are regularly having children coming to the front entrance after 8.40am.

Can I please give a polite reminder that the closing time for Breakfast Club is 8.40am (last serving of breakfast is at 8.30am). If you arrive at school after that time then you should make your way to the school yard. The school yard will be supervised by staff from 8.40am. The children should stay in the yard until they line up, to go into class at 8.50am. The gate will be locked at 8.55am. All arrivals after that must report to the main office.

I do apologise that this may appear slightly regimented but, for safety of the children, it is important as a school that we know exactly which children we have on site, particularly at busy, transitional times of the school day.

Extra-Curricular Clubs

Next week (WB 18.11.19), will be the last week this term for extra-curricular clubs. They will resume early in the Spring term. Our After School Club (in the school hall) will continue as normal.

Achievements

It has been a fantastic few weeks for our Year 5 class, who have been reaching great heights both in and out of school!

As a class, they stormed the Sumdog competition that ran over half term. They were the top class in school and one of the top ten classes in the whole of Swansea. A particularly big congratulations to Solomon Baker, who came in 18th place out of 800 pupils! An amazing effort!

Congratulations also to Cassie Andrews, who took part in a literacy competition organised by Save the Children. Cassie entered her piece against entrants from all across Swansea and was awarded first place in the year 5 category!!

Lastly, Gwen McHugh is continuing on her road to the LTA circuit. She is one of only six girls, from South West Great Britain, selected to attend high-class regional tennis training.

Thank you for flying the Mayals Primary flag. We are very proud of you all!



Dates for your diary ...

19/11/19	Y5/6 Rugby - Home vs Newton
21/11/19	Y5/6 Football Finals @ Play Football
25 + 26/11/19	Parent Teacher Consultations
28/11/19	Pedal Power Disco (More details to follow)
29/11/19	Y3 + Y4 Nature days (More details to follow)
02/12/19	Y5 - Astro Cymru in school
03/12/19	Y3 - Birds of Prey visit to school
05/12/19	Christmas Fete
06/12/19 to 11/12/19	Christmas Concerts (see timetable overleaf)
12/12/19	Christmas Dinner day
13/12/19	National Christmas Jumper Day
17/12/19	Nursery - Clyne Farm Christmas visit
17/12/19	KS2 Cinema trip
19/12/19	Rec to Y2 - Mumbles Pier Christmas trip
20/12/19	Last day of term

